

## South King County Projects Update

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### Learn more about the I-405 Renton widening project

You're invited to an upcoming open house highlighting the [I-405: Tukwila to Renton Project](#) environmental findings for 22 environmental disciplines. These include everything from air quality, water resources and wetlands—to noise and local cultural resources.

The Tukwila to Renton Improvement Project is the second phase of improvements on I-405 between I-5 in Tukwila and SR 169 (Maple Valley Highway). The first phase is the [Renton Nickel Improvement Project](#).

Where: Renton Public Library (adjacent to Liberty Park)

When: Thursday, October 4th, 4-7pm

Contact: Demis Foster, I-405 communications, 425-456-8624

### Lane closures next week in South King County

A number of projects will close lanes and ramps at night next week throughout South King County as crews work to improve your roadways. They include:

- [I-405: Renton Widening \(I-5 to SR 169\)](#)
- [SR 167: 15th Street SW to 15th Street NW - HOV](#)
- [SR 167: HOT Lanes Pilot Project](#)

### September transit service changes

Bus and train service changes go into effect this weekend (Sept. 22-24). Visit the transit agencies' Web sites for details:

- [King County Metro](#)
- [Sound Transit - ST Express bus](#)
- [Sound Transit - Sounder commuter rail](#)
- [Pierce Transit](#)

### Centerline rumble strips increase highway safety

Centerline [rumble strips](#) are grooves or rows of raised pavement markers that we place on the centerline of highways that don't have barriers or other dividers, such as sections of SR 522 and US 12. As vehicles pass over the rumble strips, they produce noise and vibration, alerting inattentive drivers that they are drifting out of their intended lane of travel.

Data that we've collected on more than 107 miles of centerline rumble strips show that they are reducing crossover collisions by 37 percent. Even more significant, fatal and disabling injury crossover collisions have been reduced by 55 percent.

Because of this success we're investing further in this safety strategy. Since 2005, we've installed more than 400 additional miles of centerline rumble strips, and we'll add them in many more locations throughout the next year. We've installed a total of 521 miles as of May 2007.

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