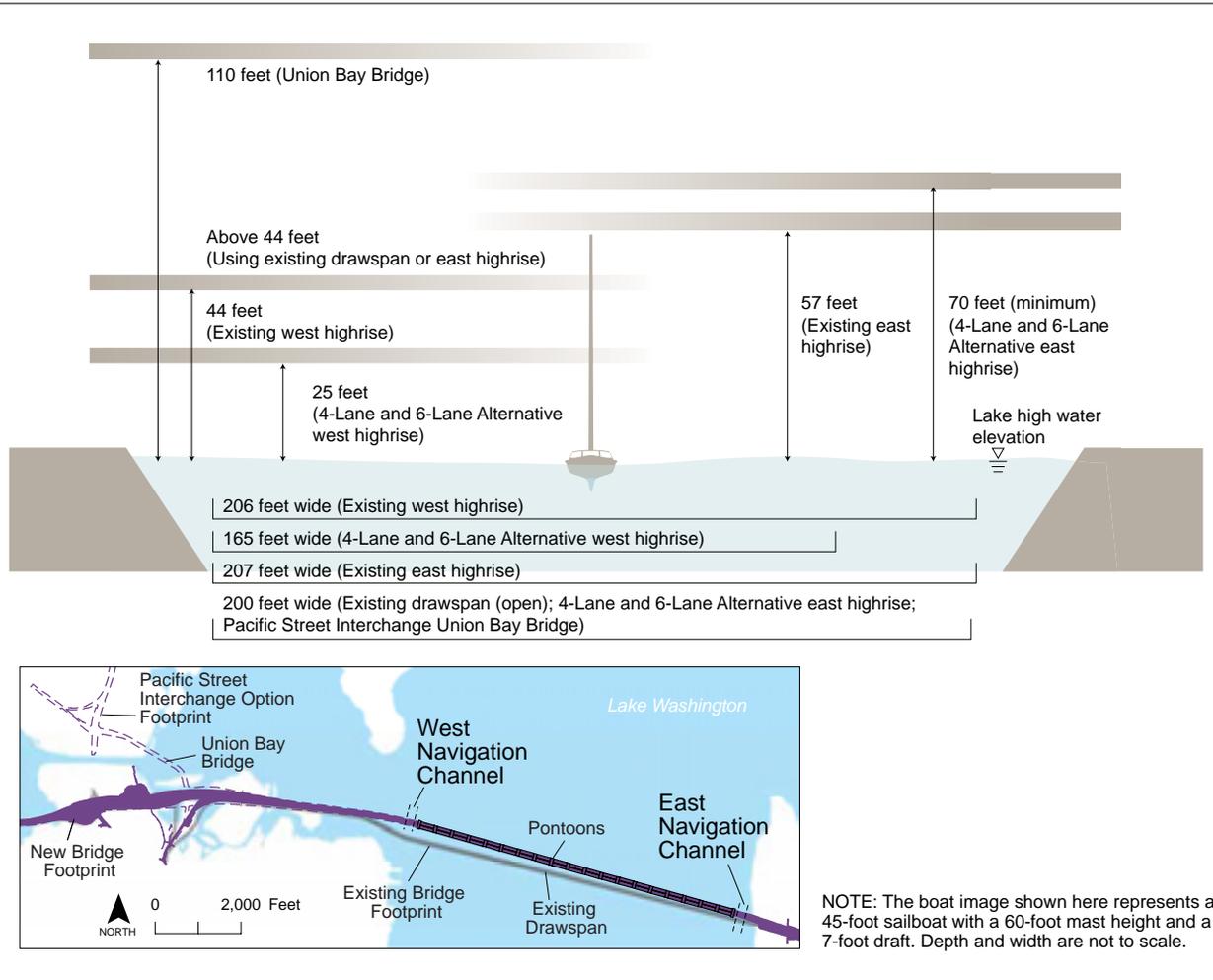


Navigational Restrictions in Union Bay and Lake Washington



What effects would the project have on navigable waterways?

Existing Conditions

- The current floating bridge provides three navigation channels for marine traffic: under the west highrise, under the east highrise, and at the midspan drawbridge.

Project Effects

- The new bridge would not have a drawspan.
- The new bridge would have the same height restriction for navigation as the current I-90 bridge (see graphics for details).
- The Pacific Street Interchange option would include a new Union Bay Bridge, which would cross the navigation channel east of the Montlake Cut with a vertical clearance of 110 feet.
- WSDOT may request that the U.S. Coast Guard establish a new governing clearance as low as 70 feet for the Union Bay Bridge.

