



# Route 40



# Route 40 Transit-Plus Multimodal Corridor

*Making bus trips faster, more reliable, and improving safety*

## Improving safety at intersections with curb bulbs

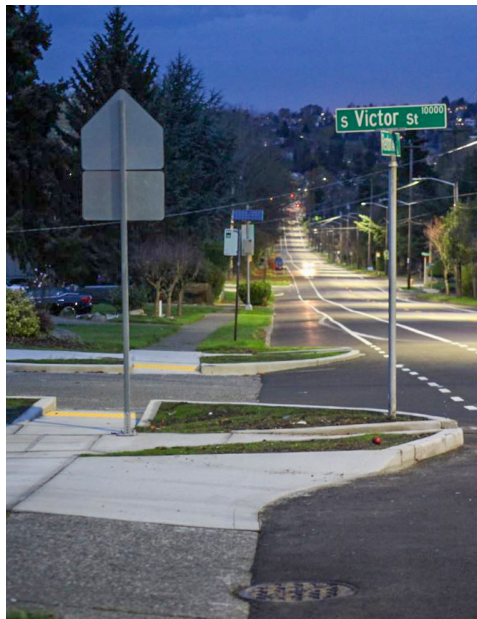
### Overview

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and King County Metro (Metro) have completed the final design for the Route 40 Transit-Plus Multimodal Corridor Project. This project will enhance safety and reliability along the route. Route 40, one of Metro’s highest ridership routes, is 13.5 miles long and serves Northgate, Crown Hill, Loyal Heights, Ballard, Fremont, South Lake Union, Downtown Seattle, and Pioneer Square.

The designs for Route 40 include upgrades to curb ramps, sidewalks, crosswalks, and curb bulbs. Curb bulbs are also known as curb extensions or neckdowns and are used to improve safety for people walking and rolling.

### What are curb bulbs?

Curb bulbs are used to improve safety by:



Example of a curb bulb on Renton Ave S in Rainier Beach

- ▶ Increasing visibility – making it easier for people walking and people driving to see each other
- ▶ Reducing crossing distance – shortening the time people walking are in the street
- ▶ Reducing vehicle speeds – encouraging people driving to slow before turning at the corner
- ▶ Reducing unsafe parking – discouraging people from parking their vehicles at intersection corners

### What to expect

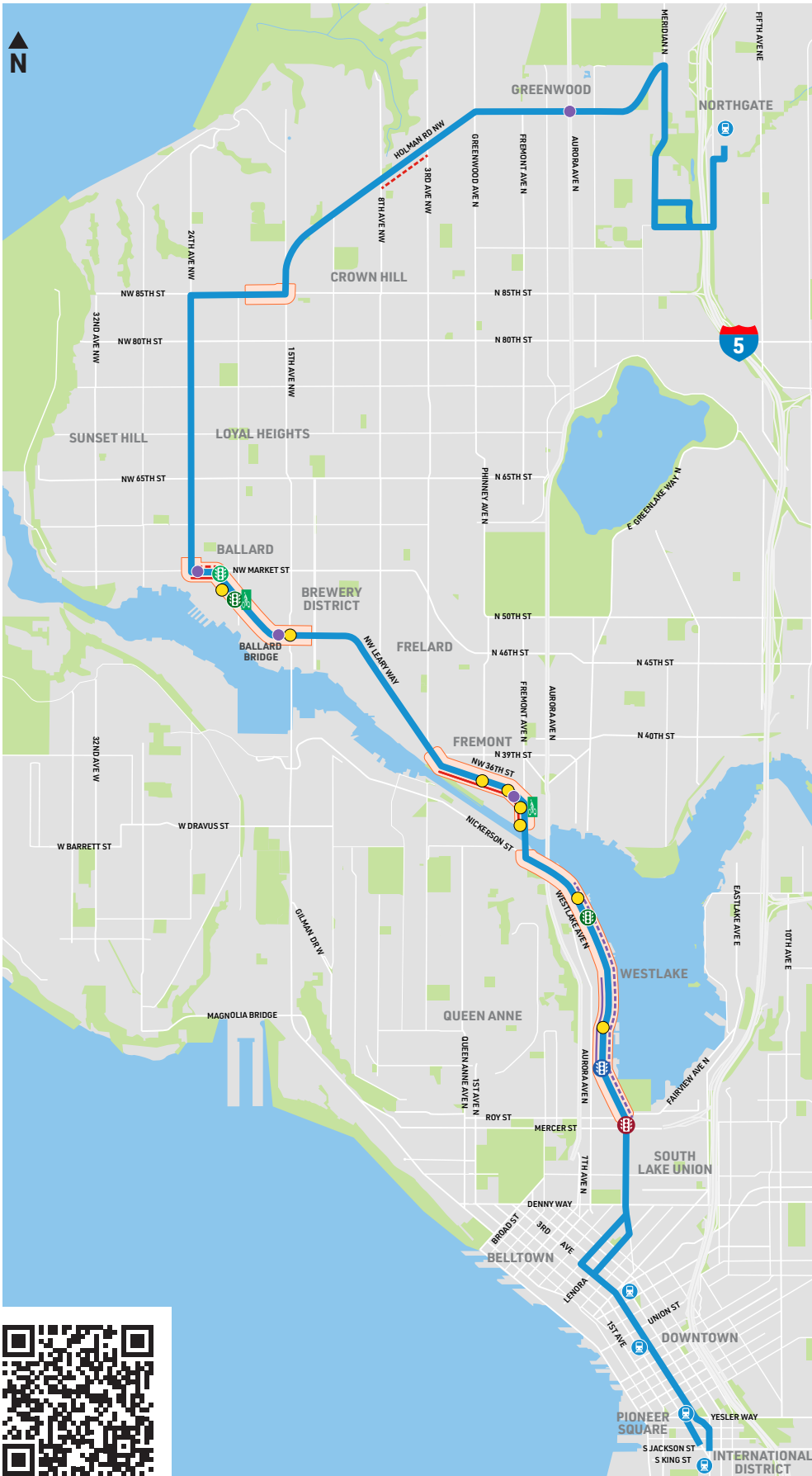
Curb bulbs will be installed as part of the Route 40 improvements at select intersections along the corridor.

During construction, you can expect:

- ▶ Some noise, dust, and vibration during demolition of existing curb ramps and bulbs
- ▶ Temporary sidewalk closures and pedestrian detours
- ▶ Temporary lane closures and traffic detours around work zones

### Schedule

Since 2020, we’ve been working with community members, advisory groups, and neighborhood organizations to design the Route 40 project. Design was finalized in fall 2023. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2024.



## Route 40 Improvements

- ▶ 3 total miles of BAT or FAB lanes
- ▶ 5-10% transit travel time reductions
- ▶ 47 upgraded curb ramps
- ▶ 8 new bus bulbs
- ▶ 6,000+ feet of upgraded sidewalks
- ▶ 3 new or upgraded crosswalks

## LEGEND

- Route 40. Makes all regular stops.
- Northbound Freight-and-Bus (FAB) Only Lanes
- Southbound Freight-and-Bus Only Lanes
- Northbound Business Access and Transit (BAT) Lanes
- Southbound Business Access and Transit Lanes
- Street improvements (striping and some street repairs)
- Existing bus priority signal
- New bus priority signal
- Bus stop improvements
- Curb ramp upgrades
- New signalized crosswalk
- Upgraded signalized crosswalk
- New bike connections

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