Model Code Partnership

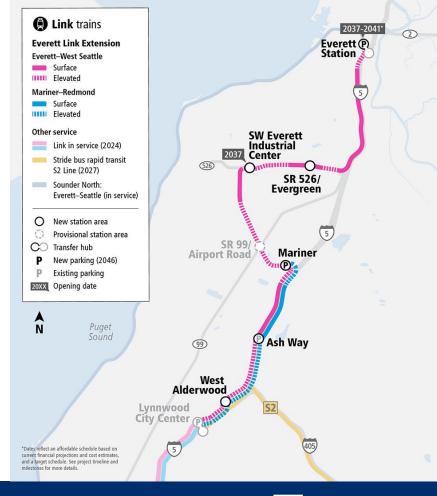
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Everett Link Extension (EVLE)

Everett Link Extension

- Length: 16 miles
- Stations: Six stations, plus one provisional (unfunded) station
- Operations and Maintenance Facility (target 2034)
- Parking: 550 stalls at Mariner, 1,000 at Everett Station (2046)
- Daily Projected Riders: 37,000-45,000 (2040)
- Start of Service: 2037 to Mariner,
 2041 to Everett Station





Operations and Maintenance Facility North

Facility supports Everett Link and system-wide expansion needs

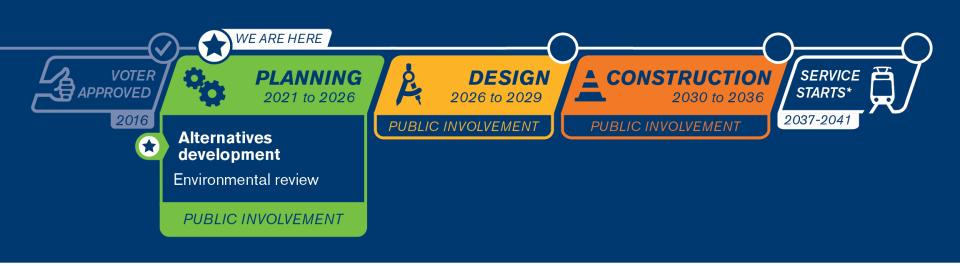
- Critical facility to store, maintain and repair the trains
- Seeking potential locations within Snohomish County and the City of Everett
- Supports 450+ high-skilled, living wage jobs at the facility
- Capacity: 150+ light rail vehicles







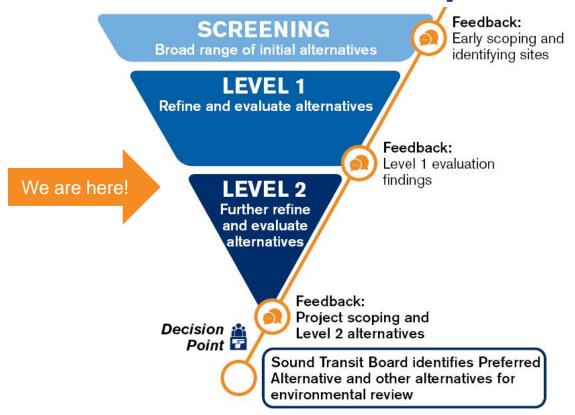
EVLE Project Schedule



*Dates reflect an affordable schedule based on current financial projections and cost estimates, and a target schedule.



Phase 1: Alternatives Development Process





MCP Scope and Schedule

FTA TOD Pilot Program Grant

\$2M Grant Awarded in December 2020To support corridor-wide adoption of model regulatory language for:

- Transit-Oriented Development
- Multi-modal connectivity
- Public-private partnerships
- Economic development
- Affordable housing











Model Code Partnership Project

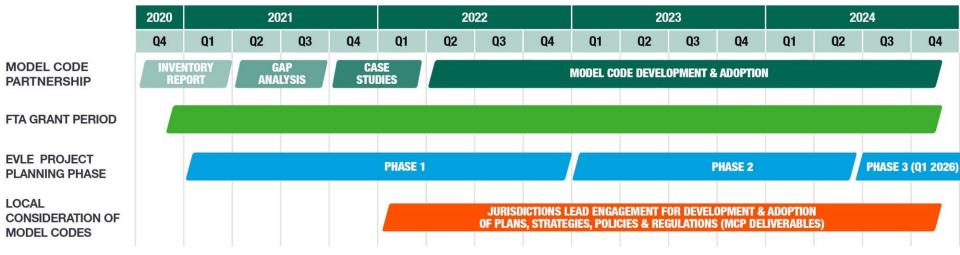
Goals:

Encourage consistency and best practices throughout the EVLE *corridor* to:

- Align standards for design of a linear system through multiple jurisdictions
- Advance common agency and partner interests for station areas and light rail facilities
- Streamline permitting and increase predictability for all partners

How MCP Relates to EVLE

MODEL CODE PARTNERSHIP SCHEDULE





Model Code Elements

MODEL CODE ELEMENTS

INVENTORY

Policies and Regulations Inventory

GAP ANALYSIS

Gap 1: gaps between policy and regulation

Gap 2: gaps between jurisdictions

Gap 3: gaps between best practices and existing regulations

TOD principles and best practices

Sound Transit permitting conflicts

CASE STUDIES

Similar planning and TOD efforts in peer cities

Economic considerations and financial tools

MODEL CODE DEVELOPMENT

Jurisdictions may consider standards for:

Zoning and design

Street typologies

Sustainable development

Permit processes



MCP Workshops - Phase I

INVENTORY

GAP ANALYSIS

CASE STUDIES

MODEL CODE

WORKSHOP 1 - DEC 2020

- . Introduction to the MCP
- Discussion of Policies Inventory

WORKSHOP 2 - APR 2021

- Review Policies and Regulations Inventory
- Key questions for the Gap Analysis

WORKSHOP 3 - MAY 2021

- Local needs, support, and topics of interest for MCP
- TOD principles and best practices review

WORKSHOP 4 - JUN 2021

- Gap Analysis review
- Potential Model Code elements to inform Case Studies
- Topics of interest for future phases of work

WORKSHOP 5 - SEP 2021

- Review goals and policy and/or regulatory priorities
- Selection of 5 case studies from 6-8 similar efforts.

WORKSHOP 6 - JAN 2022

Case study findings review

WORKSHOP 7 - MAR 2022

 Discussion of financial tools and considerations

WORKSHOP 8 - JUNE 2022

- Financial tools next steps
- Coordination with jurisdiction planning efforts
- Potential elements to be included in the Model Code

FUTURE WORKSHOPS

- Consensus on which Model Code elements advance for further development
- Potential for implementation



Policies and Regulations Inventory Report

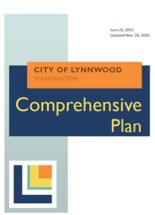
Policies & Regulations Inventory Report

Policy Documents Reviewed

Comprehensive, Station Area and Master Plans

Regulatory Documents Reviewed

Municipal and Development Codes











Gap Analysis

Gap Analysis

- 1. Gaps Between Policy and Regulation
- 2. Gaps Between Jurisdictions
- 3. Gaps Between Best Practices and Existing Regulations
 - Developed TOD Principles

- Potential Permitting Challenges and Conflicts
 - Specific to ST Link system



TOD Principles

- 1. Urban Form, Uses and Development Intensity
- 2. Multimodal Access to Transit
- 3. Infrastructure Needs to Support TOD
- 4. Public Realm to Support TOD
- 5. Affordable Housing and Equitable TOD



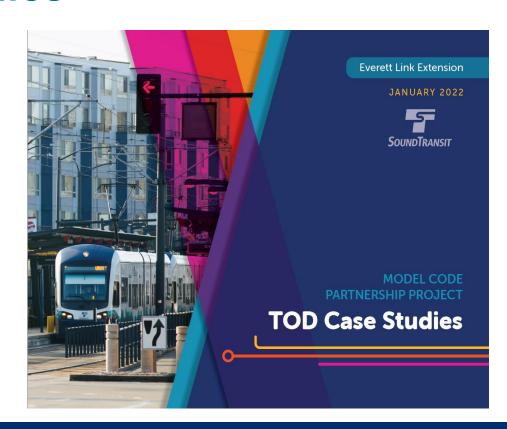




TOD Case Studies

Focus of Case Studies

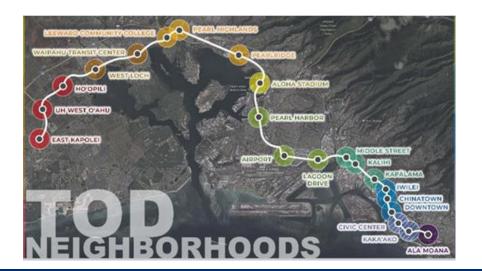
- Corridor-based
- Station-specific
 - Freeway Adjacent & Suburban
- Thematic Vignettes



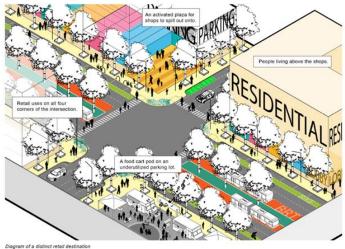


Corridor-based Case Studies

- Honolulu Rapid Transit; Honolulu, HI
- BART Phase II; San José, CA
- Central Corridor; Saint Paul, MN









Station-specific Case Studies

- Pleasant Hill BART; Contra Costa, CA
- Alameda Station; Denver, CO
- Orenco Station; Hillsboro, OR









Thematic Vignettes

- Privately Owned Public Spaces (POPS)
- Complete Streets
- Stormwater Parks
- Swales
- Shared Stacked Green Infrastructure
- District Energy









Economic Development & Financial Tools

Current Financial Tools: Everett

In Use

- Affordable Housing Trust Fund
- Business Improvement District (\$\text{\text{\text{\text{B}}}}\)



MFTE/Low Income Housing Tax Credit



Transportation Impact Fee reduction



New Jobs Tax Credit





Exploring

- Impact fee deferral
- **Utility Connection fee reduction**
- Low interest loans for façade improvements/preservation
- Community Renewal Area



Transportation Facilities/Amenities



Infrastructure Development



Housing



Commercial Development



Green Building/ Infrastructure



Potential Funding Mechanisms

- Regional Equitable Development Initiative Fund
- Business improvement district









Infrastructure investment funds







Housing benefit districts \$\mathbb{A}\$





- Redevelopment agencies/districts*

















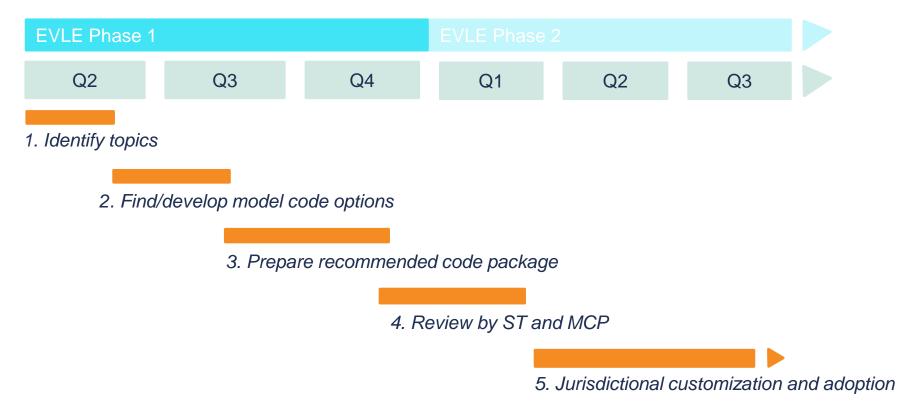
Look Ahead

Model Code Sequence of Activities

- ☐ Identify subject area/topics to pursue development of model code
- Look to resources (MRSC, PSRC, ST SEDG, MCP case studies) to identify potential model code language
- Prepare generic package of potential model code language
- □ Review of potential model code by Sound Transit and partners
- Each jurisdiction customizes model code language to carry through local adoption process



MCP Activities Schedule



Thank you.



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