



# I-405 - SR 167 Interchange Direct Connector Project

The I-405/SR 167 interchange in Renton, Washington is one of the most heavily congested interchanges in the state. Today, drivers experience congestion in this area for up to eight hours each day.

## What will WSDOT build?

WSDOT will build a new flyover ramp connecting the HOT lanes on SR 167 to the carpool lanes on I-405, improving flow at this critical interchange. The project will also reconstruct portions of nearby local streets.

## What are the project benefits?

**Congestion relief and safety:** The project will reduce delays and weaving, as well as the likelihood of collisions. Drivers will no longer need to exit the carpool or HOT lanes, merge onto I-405 or SR 167, and merge across traffic again to the carpool or HOT lanes.

**Environment:** This project will also relocate a noise wall, build storm water management facilities, and upgrade or replace stream crossings at I-405 and SR 167 to promote fish passage. In addition, operating express toll lanes results in more reliable speeds and optimal lane performance, leading to decreased air pollution and greenhouse-gas emissions.

**Economic impact:** This project provides better transit access to affordable housing and employment centers, expands freight mobility to the Green River Valley cities' warehousing and distribution centers, and creates construction jobs in a variety of trades.

## What is the project schedule?

The project is currently in the design phase, with funding for preliminary engineering (\$20 million) and right-of-way acquisition (\$20 million). The construction phase (\$285 million) is unfunded.

**Winter 2013/14:** Complete Environmental Assessment re-evaluation.

**January 2015:** Complete preliminary engineering, right-of-way work.

*Construction and project opening schedule will be determined by funding availability.*

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[www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/i405/sr167icdirectconnector](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/i405/sr167icdirectconnector)



This map shows the extent of the project area.



Visualization: The proposed I-405/SR 167 Interchange Direct Connector will improve traffic flow and decrease the likelihood of collisions.

## For More Information

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