

Terminal 5 Quiet Zone Improvements Property Acquisition Ordinance

Our vision, mission, and core values

Vision: Seattle is a thriving equitable community powered by dependable transportation

Mission: to deliver a transportation system that provides safe and affordable access to places and opportunities

Committed to **6 core values:**

- Equity
- Safety
- Mobility
- Sustainability
- Livability
- Excellence

Overview

- Railroad Quiet Zones
- Terminal 5 Quiet Zone background
- Project summary
- Property acquisition description and status
- Remaining work

Railroad Quiet Zones

A quiet zone is a segment of a rail corridor (minimum 0.5-mile) where locomotive horns are not routinely sounded at highway and rail grade crossings, except in emergency situations or to comply with other Federal regulations



Vine St and Alaskan Way

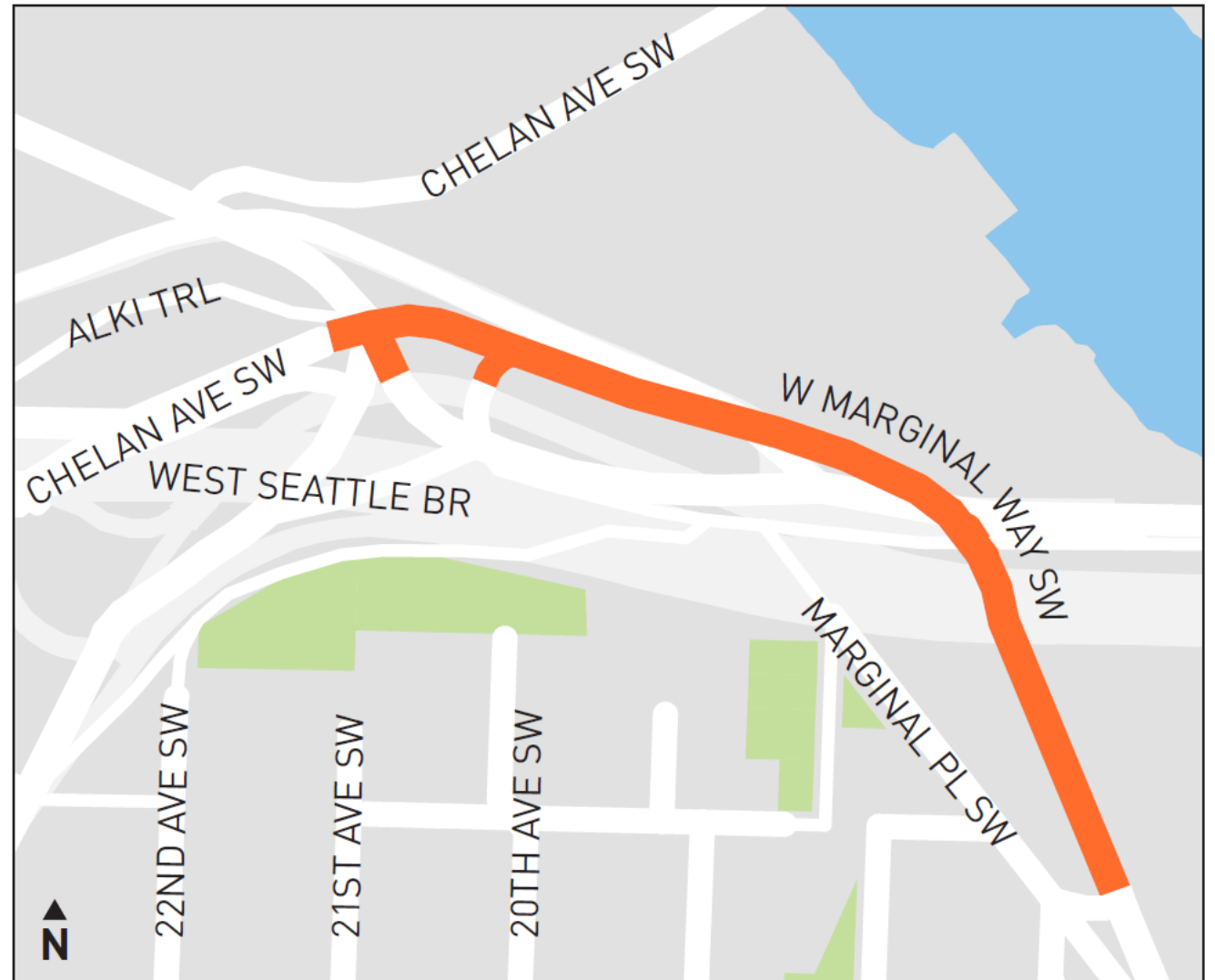
Terminal 5 Quiet Zone timeline

Port of Seattle / Northwest Seaport Alliance (NWSA) is modernizing Terminal 5

- 2016: Environmental Impact Statement identified noise impacts to adjacent community
- 2017: Master Use Permit (MUP) conditions published, include designing quiet zone
- 2017: Quiet Zone memorandum of understanding with Port signed (MUP requirement)
- 2018: Port initiated outreach to impacted businesses
- 2018: SDOT initiated design of project
- 2021: Design complete and Notice of Intent to Establish a Quiet Zone
- 2022: Start construction
- 2023: Finish construction and establish Quiet Zone

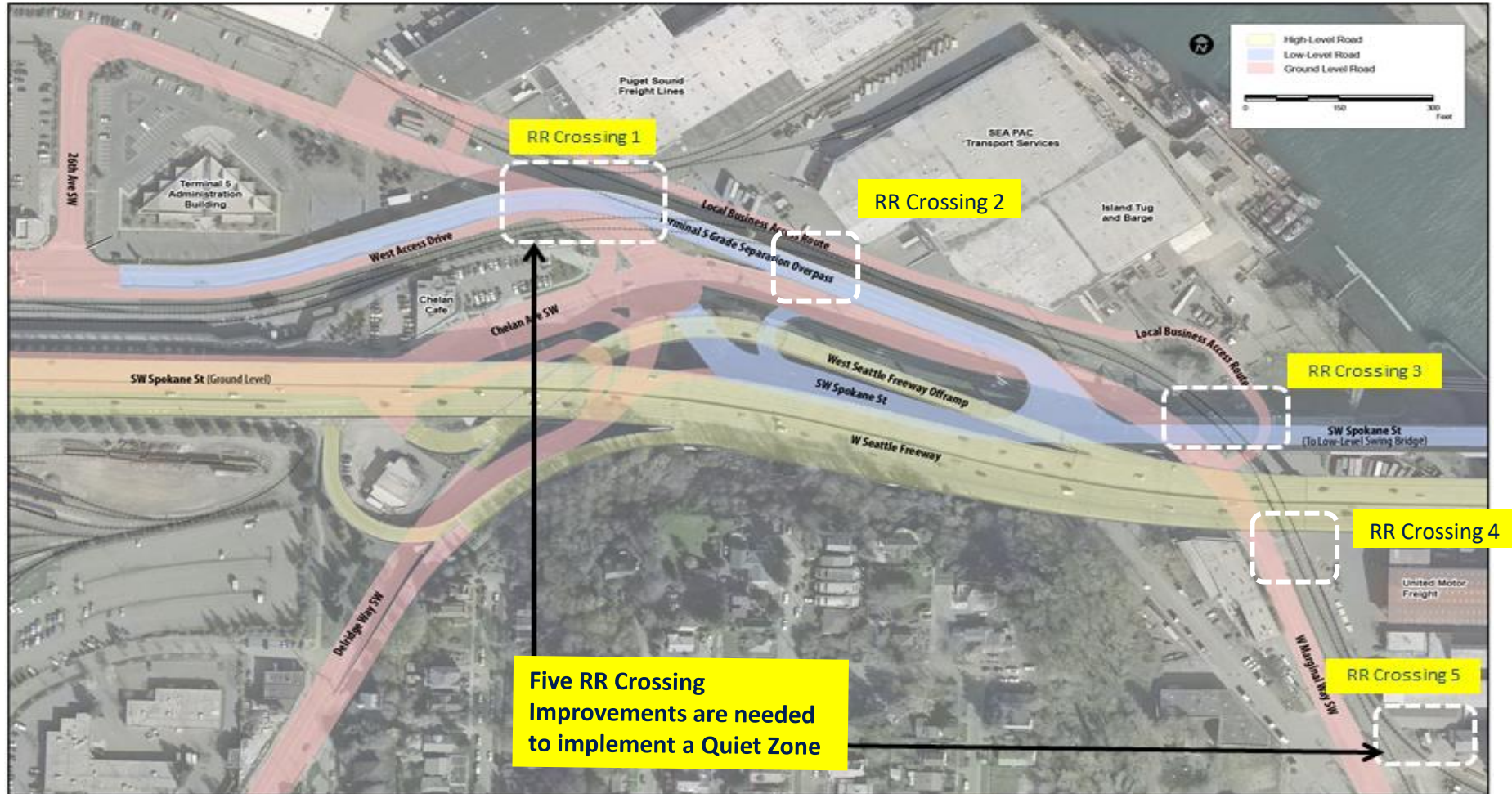
Project summary

- Purpose: Mitigate rail noise through safety enhancements and minor civil improvements along West Marginal Way adjacent to the Chelan 5-Way intersection
- Partner: Delivered on behalf of and reimbursed by Port/NWSA
- Critical path: Property acquisition



Project area

Terminal 5 Quiet Zone public crossing changes



Property acquisition status

- Project outreach began in 2018
- SDOT sent property offer to United Motor Freight/RM in 2Q 2021
- Property negotiations stalled
- Port/SDOT cannot implement Quiet Zone without property acquisition
- **Action Requested:** Council approve legislation to acquire property necessary for project completion through condemnation proceedings

Property acquisition (approximate)



Changes to property access



Remaining work

- Property acquisition
- Compile final bid documents and advertise
- Construction:
 - Anticipate starting in Q3 2022 with 9-10 month impact to West Marginal Way
 - Expected completion in Q2 2023
 - Schedule reliant on:
 - Successful property acquisition
 - Final agreement coordinated with BNSF and Federal Railroad Administration
 - West Seattle Bridge completion
- Quiet Zone Notice of Establishment released with 60-day comment period

Thank you!

<https://www.portseattle.org/projects/terminal-5-improvements>



Terminal 5 Quiet Zone

- Established with the Federal Railroad Administration through 49 CFR 222.43
- A diagnostic team identified recommendations which serve as the basis for safety improvement design
- SDOT provides a written Notice of Intent to Establish a Quiet Zone.
- SDOT and BNSF construct project in parallel
- Once the necessary safety improvements have been implemented SDOT provides a Notice of Establishment of the Quiet Zone.