



Washington State
Convention Center

ADDITION

Your Washington State Convention Center is growing!

WSCC Addition Project Timeline



Following years of thorough study and documented demand, the Washington State Convention Center (WSCC) is moving forward with plans to build a proposed additional facility. Scheduled to open in 2020, the Addition will be located one block northeast of the existing convention center. Situated between Pine and Howell Streets and Ninth and Boren Avenues, the approximately \$1.4 billion Addition will provide significant economic benefits to the community in visitor spending, new tax revenues and jobs as well as improve the pedestrian experience. The project designer is LMN Architects and the general contractor is a joint venture of Skanska-Hunt.

The Addition offers significant economic benefits throughout the region, including:

- ▼ \$200 million in out-of-state visitor spending each year
- ▼ \$35 million in annual spending from in-state residents
- ▼ 2,300 new jobs created at the facility and in hospitality-related businesses
- ▼ 1,600 additional jobs supported across the region
- ▼ As many as 6,000 workers employed during construction
- ▼ \$17 million in annual tax revenue from delegate spending
- ▼ Year-round demand for Seattle's hotels, restaurants, stores and entertainment venues in surrounding neighborhoods

The project connects neighborhoods and enlivens sidewalks by:

- ▼ Enhancing connections from downtown to Capitol Hill
- ▼ Improving the walking experience on Pine Street, Olive Way, Ninth Avenue and Boren Avenue
- ▼ Installing pedestrian improvements such as new sidewalks, landscaping and lighting
- ▼ Activating the pedestrian experience with ground-floor retail, terraces and street-level lobbies
- ▼ Encouraging visual interaction between activities taking place inside and outside of the facility

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WSCC Addition Project Timeline (cont.)



In the past five years, the existing convention center could not accommodate some 300 event proposals due to a lack of dates or space, which equates to more than \$1.6 billion in potential economic benefit that was lost for the region. WSCC is one of the few convention centers in the nation that consistently turns a profit on operations. Funding for the Addition will come primarily from a bond issuance supported by the existing tax on hotel rooms. Both facilities will operate without any new taxes from city, county or state governments.

The Addition will add approximately:

- 250,000 square feet of exhibition space
- 125,000 square feet of meeting rooms
- 60,000 square feet of ballroom space



WSCC is committed to partnering with minority, small, veteran, disadvantaged and women-owned businesses to design, build and operate the Addition.

Keep in touch

If you have questions or comments regarding the WSCC Addition project, or if you would like to receive updates as they become available, please send us an email at WSCC@pinest.com.