



City of Sammamish

# Issaquah-Fall City Road Improvement Project

Phase I: 242nd Avenue SE to Klahanie Drive SE

Summer 2019

## Frequently Asked Questions

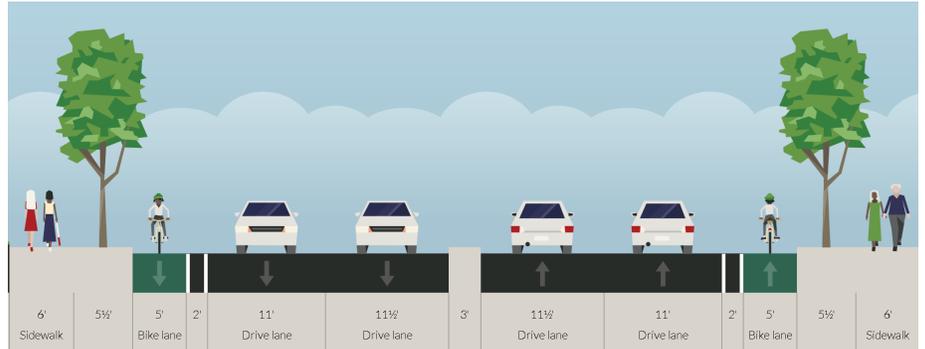
### What is the Issaquah-Fall City Road Improvement Project?

With more than 1,800 vehicles per hour traveling along the roadway during peak periods, and few alternate routes, Issaquah-Fall City Road is one of the most highly used roads in the area. The current shape and slope of the roadway can create difficult sight lines for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. Roadway improvements are needed to reduce congestion and improve safety for all users.

Roadway design and construction will be done in two phases. Phase I is from 242nd Ave SE to Klahanie Dr SE. Phase II is from Klahanie Dr SE to Issaquah-Beaver Lake Road.

### What is the construction timeline?

Construction will begin in August 2019 and last for approximately two years. The roadway will remain open during construction, except for 8 months while crews construct the bridge over North Fork Issaquah Creek. During this work, the roadway will be closed between 247th PI SE and SE Klahanie Dr. We expect the closure to begin in spring 2020 and last for approximately 8 months. The City will continue to provide updates on the project schedule as construction progresses.



Cross-section of future roadway between 242nd Ave SE to 247th PI SE.

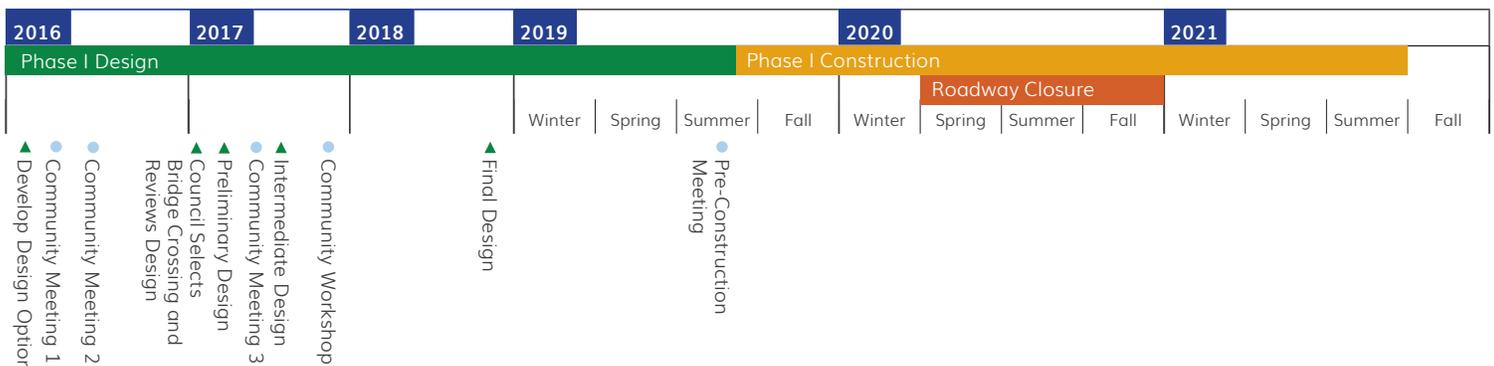
### What will the new road look like?

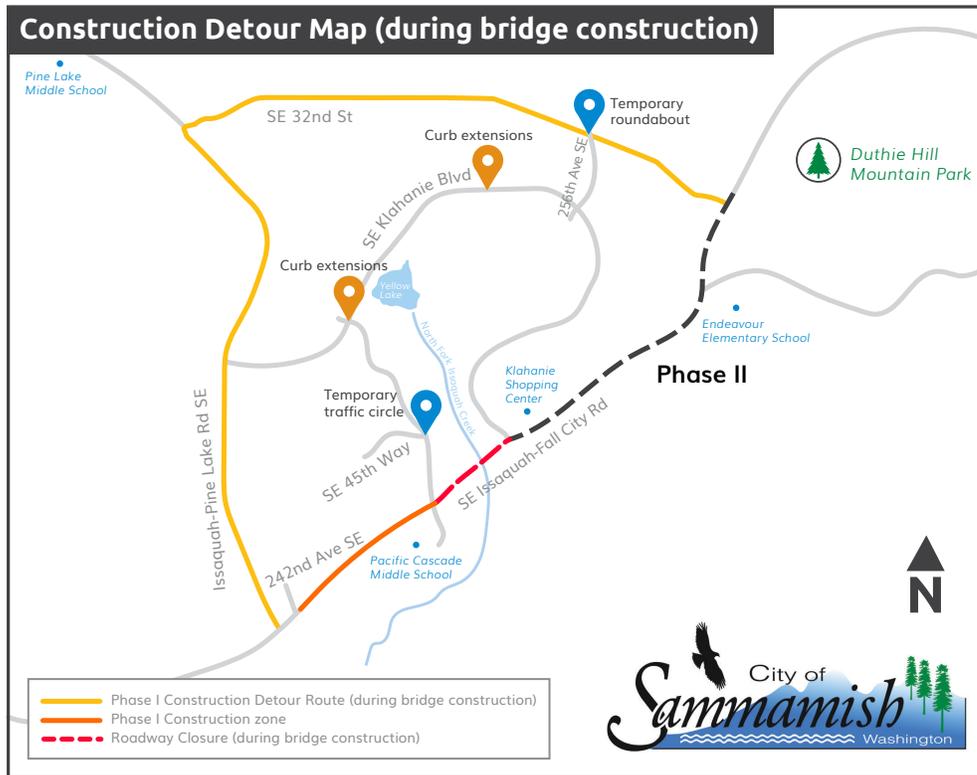
The new roadway will include:

- **Two travel lanes** in each direction, a raised center median, and buffered bike lanes
- **Two-lane roundabouts** at each intersection (242nd Ave SE, 247th PI SE, and Klahanie Dr SE)
- **Bridge crossing** over the North Fork Issaquah Creek
- **Separated sidewalks** on both sides of the road between 242nd Ave SE and 247th PI SE
- **Sidewalk** on the north side of the road between 247th PI SE and Klahanie Dr SE
- **Regrading** to improve sight lines
- **High-intensity Activated crossWalk (HAWK) beacon** at Pacific Cascade Middle School

The design reflects priorities shared by the community through three public meetings, conversations with residents, businesses, and organizations, online engagement, and City Council meetings.

### Project schedule





## What types of work will take place during construction?

**Removals:** Crews will begin by removing existing asphalt and infrastructure, and excavating where the roadway is being regraded.

**Roadway construction:** Crews will then widen the roadway to two lanes in each direction, construct the sidewalks and bike lanes, and install infrastructure along the roadway.

**Roundabout construction:** Crews will construct new roundabouts at the 242nd Ave SE, 247th Pl SE, and Klahanie Dr SE intersections. Traffic will shift to accommodate construction.

**Bridge construction:** Crews will remove the existing culvert to build a new 400-foot concrete bridge across North Fork Issaquah Creek. The roadway will be closed between 247th Pl SE and Klahanie Dr SE during this work. We expect this closure to begin in spring 2020 and last for about 8 months.

**Final work:** Finally, crews will install new paint and plastic pavement markings, street lights, irrigation, and landscaping.

## What can I expect during construction?

While improvements will ultimately benefit the community, there will be impacts that come with construction. Roadway users may experience increased noise, dust, longer travel times in the area, and construction equipment and truck traffic. Crews will typically work Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. During the 8-month roadway closure, crews work will occur Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-8 p.m. There may also be occasional work on Saturdays. The roadway will remain open during construction, except for 8 months, beginning in spring 2020, while crews construct the bridge over North Fork Issaquah Creek. During that time, the roadway between 247th Pl SE and Klahanie Dr SE will be closed. The official detour route will be Issaquah-Pine Lake Rd SE and SE 32nd St/SE Issaquah-Beaver Lake Rd (see construction detour map). Klahanie Dr SE will remain accessible from the east, west, and north.

## How will construction impacts be managed?

The City of Sammamish plans to construct several traffic management strategies prior to bridge construction to improve safety:

- Temporary roundabout at 256th Ave SE and SE Issaquah Beaver Lake Rd
- Temporary traffic circle at 247th Pl SE and SE 45th Way
- Extending of the curb farther into the street at the SE Klahanie Blvd and 244th Pl SE intersection and the SE Klahanie Blvd and Klahanie Park intersection

The City will continue to monitor traffic conditions along the detour route and implement additional strategies, as needed, to manage traffic and construction impacts.

## How can I stay informed during construction?

- **Project website** will be updated regularly to share information throughout construction: [www.sammamish.us/government/departments/public-works/current-projects/issaquah-fall-city-road](http://www.sammamish.us/government/departments/public-works/current-projects/issaquah-fall-city-road)
- **Sign up for construction email** updates on the project website
- **Variable message signs** will share information with travelers as the project is being built
- **Schedule a briefing** to learn about project progress, updates, and milestones
- **Contact Sam Park**, Project Manager with the City of Sammamish at [spark@sammamish.us](mailto:spark@sammamish.us) or 425-295-0538

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