

# Puget Sound Gateway Program: SR 509 Corridor Project

The Puget Sound Gateway Program was recently funded through the Connecting Washington Account. The Gateway Program consists of two major highway projects – SR 509 and SR 167. These projects are crucial to the region’s economic vitality.

## Why is WSDOT extending SR 509?

Extending SR 509 will ease congestion on I-5, add a southern access point to Sea-Tac Airport and improve service between industrial districts by allowing general-purpose traffic and trucks to bypass I-5, SR 99 and local streets.

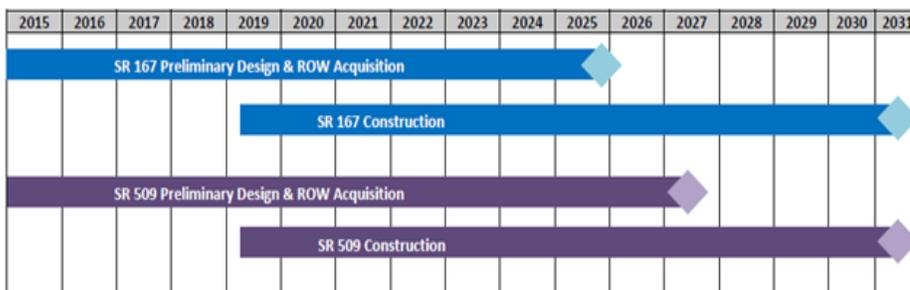
## What are the project benefits?

The SR 509 Project will benefit the region by:

- Completing the freeway network (close the gap)
- Easing congestion from Seattle to Tacoma by utilizing unused capacity on SR 509
- Improving southern access to Sea-Tac Airport for people and goods
- Supporting Regional Growth Centers for Burien, SeaTac, Kent and Federal Way and Industrial Centers for Duwamish and Kent
- Improving freight travel time and reliability
- Improving transit operations and connections to transit

## What is the project schedule?

The Connecting Washington Account, as approved by the Legislature in July 2015, will fund the Gateway Program over 16 years. The combined projects received \$1.87 billion in funding (including toll revenue and local funding sources). The project implementation schedule for SR 167 and SR 509 is as follows:



Visualization: The proposed SR 509 Corridor Project will improve traffic flow and support Regional Growth Centers.

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