Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement City Update



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Presentation Overview

- Settlement monitoring update
- Watermain status update
- Independent Structural Evaluation
- Contingency Planning
 - Near term: 72 hours through 1 week
 - Mid term: 1 week to 3 months
 - Long term: >3 months

Settlement Monitoring Update

GPS Stations (data since 12/25/14):

- Century Link Field: no obvious settlement trend so far (stable)
- Occidental & Washington: no obvious settlement trend so far (stable)
- Yesler & Western: continued slow settlement trend
 SPU Manual Survey (since rapid movement of Nov-Dec 2014):
- Reference points adjusted with agreement of WSDOT, STP and SPU, comprehensive update under way
- South of Yesler (biweekly): no continuing downward trend
- Western Ave (weekly): ongoing to verify GPS trend
 Independent SPU consultant analysis of WSDOT/STP data
 indicates that localized settlement is ongoing on Western Ave

Watermain Status Update

- Leak monitoring continues: no leaks detected
- Zone isolation continues
- SPU survey confirms watermains have settled
 - One point exceeds criteria on Western Ave watermain near Yesler, and other points are half criteria to Madison.
 - Settlement on watermains in 1st Ave exceeds one inch

Alaskan Way Viaduct Independent Evaluation

- Consultant retained, notice to proceed 12/27/2014
- Underway data collection and review
 - 2010 and 2014: 30 separate reports, 115 total volumes (largest is 30 volumes, over 12,000 pages)
 - Settlement documentation back to 2001
- Next review of WSDOT structural analysis
 - Review of computer modeling, geotechnical analyses and assumptions, structural calculations, etc.
 - Draft technical memo expected in March

AWV Emergency Traffic Management and Closure Plan – Near Term

- Initial stages of closure, for up to one week
- Viaduct closure and Metro reroutes within 4 hours
 - 12 routes carrying 24,000 daily riders
- Other changes within 12-24 hours
 - Extended parking restrictions, turn restrictions, transit priority on key corridors
 - Mid-day freight access through downtown
 - Signal changes, ongoing monitoring and adjustment
 - Restricted construction use of right-of-way
 - Traveler information and near-term TDM
- Updating one-page map and summary

AWV Emergency Traffic Management and Closure Plan – Mid Term

- One week through 3 months
- Significant policy and resource choices
- Longer term implementation of near term strategies
 - Signal timing
 - Bus lanes and transit signal prioritization
- Consider:
 - Additional alternative freight routes
 - Additional transit supply options/resources
 - Adjustments to freeway and HOV system operation

AWV Emergency Traffic Management and Closure Plan – Longer Term

- Maintaining access through extended construction
- Reducing the impact of future viaduct closures or further delays in construction
- Key questions:
 - What improvements are planned for 2015-2016 to enhance access?
 - What other access improvements are in the pipeline that we should consider accelerating?
- Early planning stages with partner agencies