



West Seattle and Ballard Link Extensions

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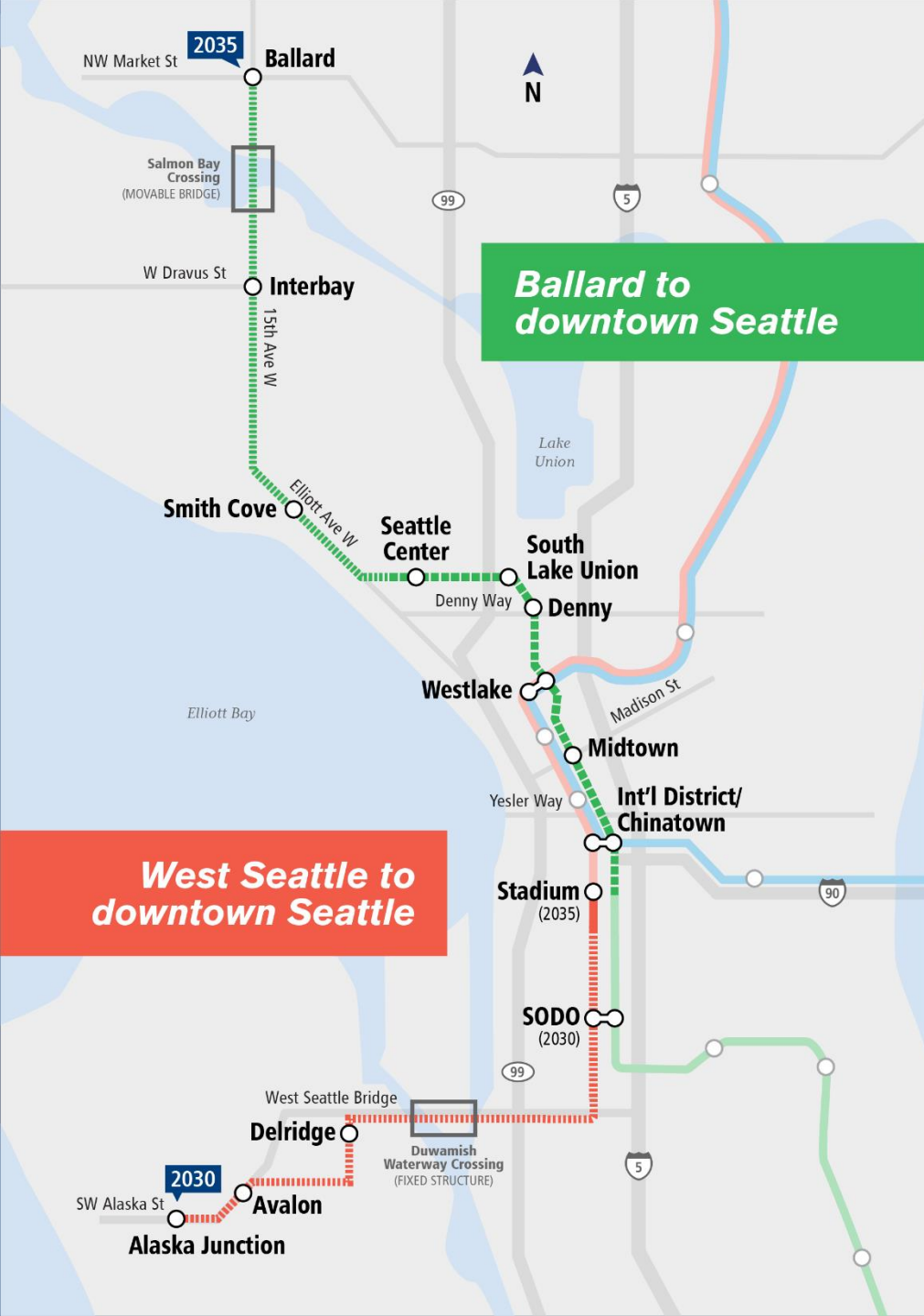


Regional light rail expansion

By 2040: 116+ miles | 80+ stations | 16 cities connected

A young man with dark hair and glasses, wearing a grey t-shirt and a backpack, stands on a train platform. He is smiling and looking towards the camera. His right hand is on a metal railing, and his left hand is holding a suitcase handle. The background shows a blurred cityscape and train tracks under a clear sky.

West Seattle and Ballard Link Extensions



ST3 Representative project

- Identifies mode, corridor, number of stations, general station locations
- Informs cost, schedule, operating needs

West Seattle Link Extension

- Opening 2030
- Four elevated stations at SODO, Delridge, Avalon and Alaska Junction; one at-grade station at Stadium
- New rail-only fixed span crossing of the Duwamish River
- Length: 4.7 miles

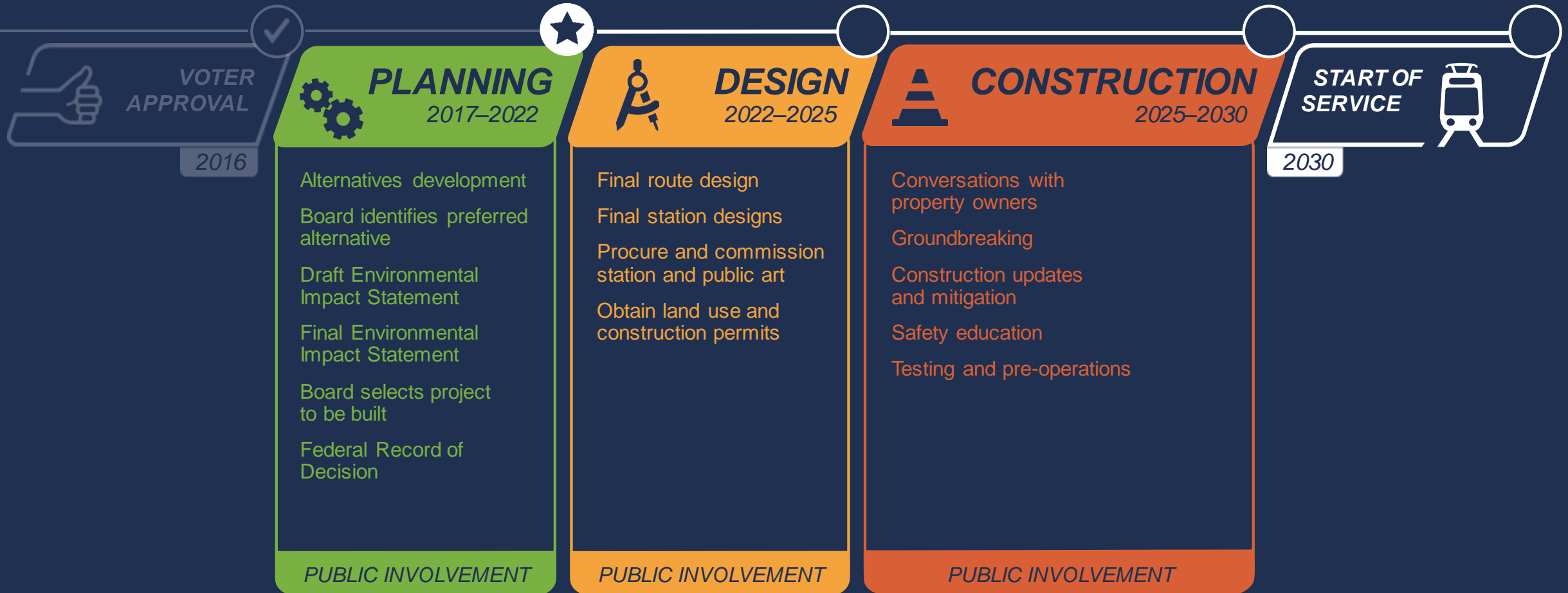




Ballard Link Extension

- Opening 2035
- Three elevated stations: Ballard, Interbay, Smith Cove
- Six tunnel stations: Seattle Center, South Lake Union, Denny, Westlake, Midtown, International District/Chinatown
- New rail-only movable bridge over Salmon Bay
- Length: 7.1 miles

West Seattle project timeline



*VOTER
APPROVAL*

2016



PLANNING



DESIGN

2017–2019

Alternatives
development

Board identifies
preferred alternative

2019–2022

Draft Environmental
Impact Statement

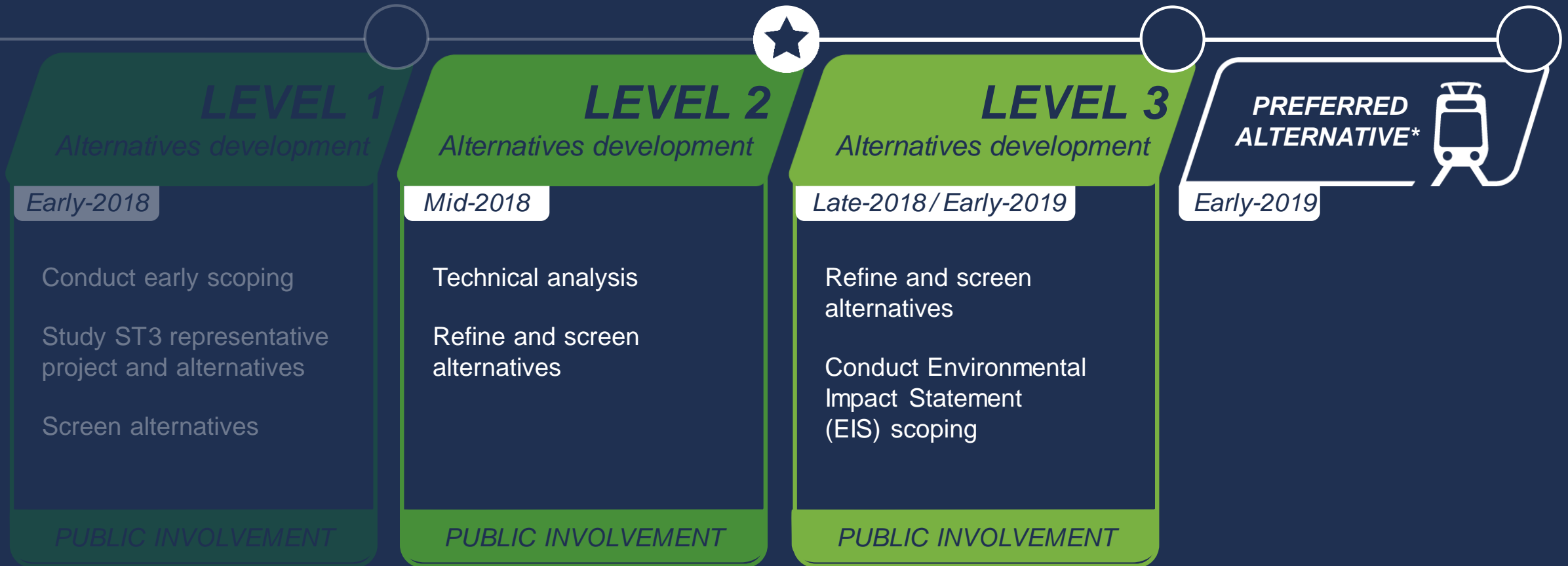
Final Environmental
Impact Statement

Board selects project
to be built

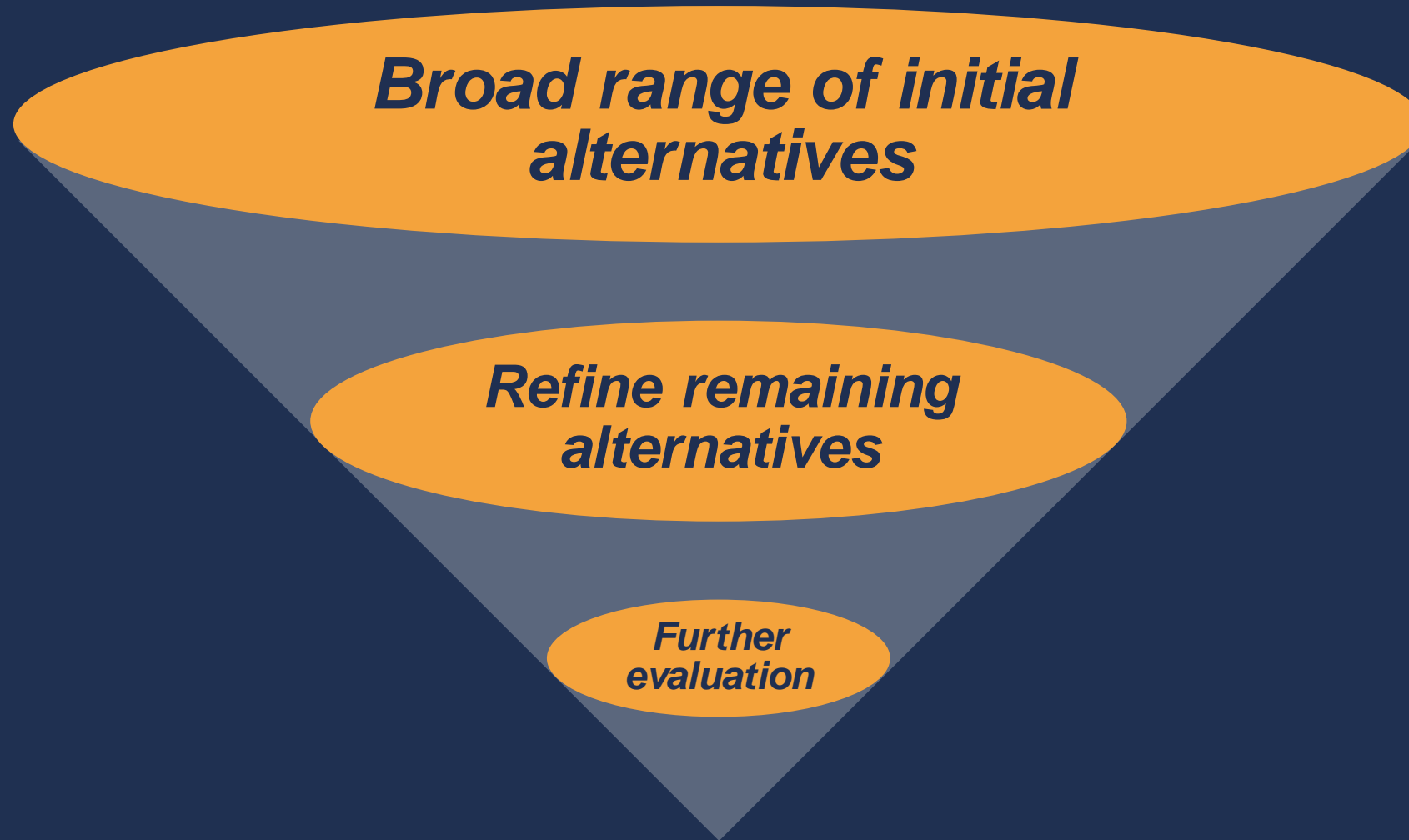
Federal Record of
Decision

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Alternatives development process



*The Sound Transit Board identifies preferred alternatives and other alternatives to study.



***Preferred Alternative
and other EIS alternatives***



Community engagement and collaboration

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A photograph of a modern tram with its doors open, with several people boarding and walking on the adjacent sidewalk. The tram has a white body with blue and green wavy patterns. The background shows a city street with buildings and a tram stop sign. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

***What we heard during
early scoping***



Early scoping feedback

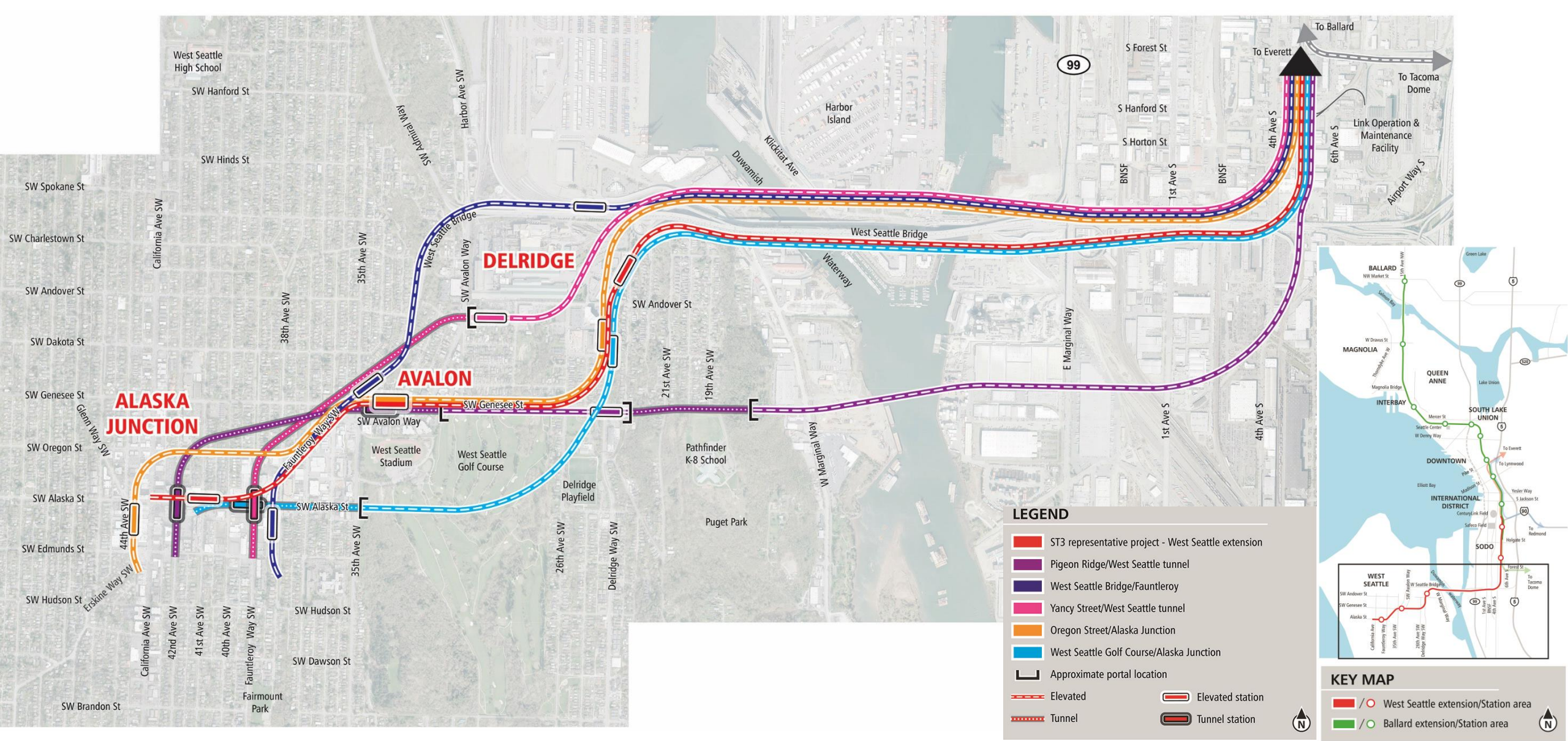
- Early scoping: Feb. 2 – March 5
- 3 public meetings, 1 agency meeting and online open house
- 2,800+ total comments received via meetings and other methods
- All comments captured in *Early Scoping Summary Report*



Level 1 alternatives

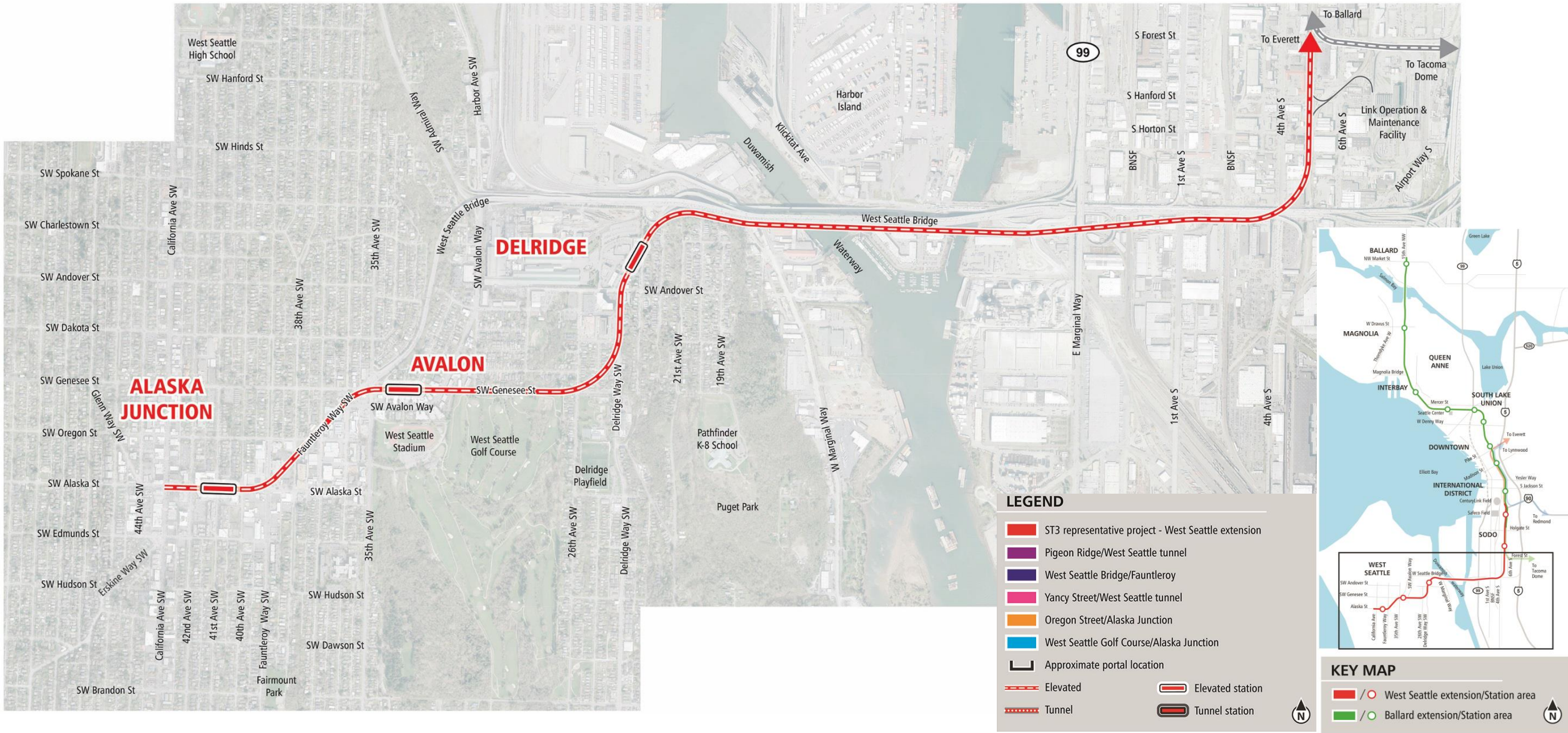
West Seattle/Duwamish

- ST3 Representative Project
- Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle Tunnel
- West Seattle Bridge/ Fauntleroy
- Yancy Street/West Seattle Tunnel
- Oregon Street/Alaska Junction
- West Seattle Golf Course/ Alaska Junction



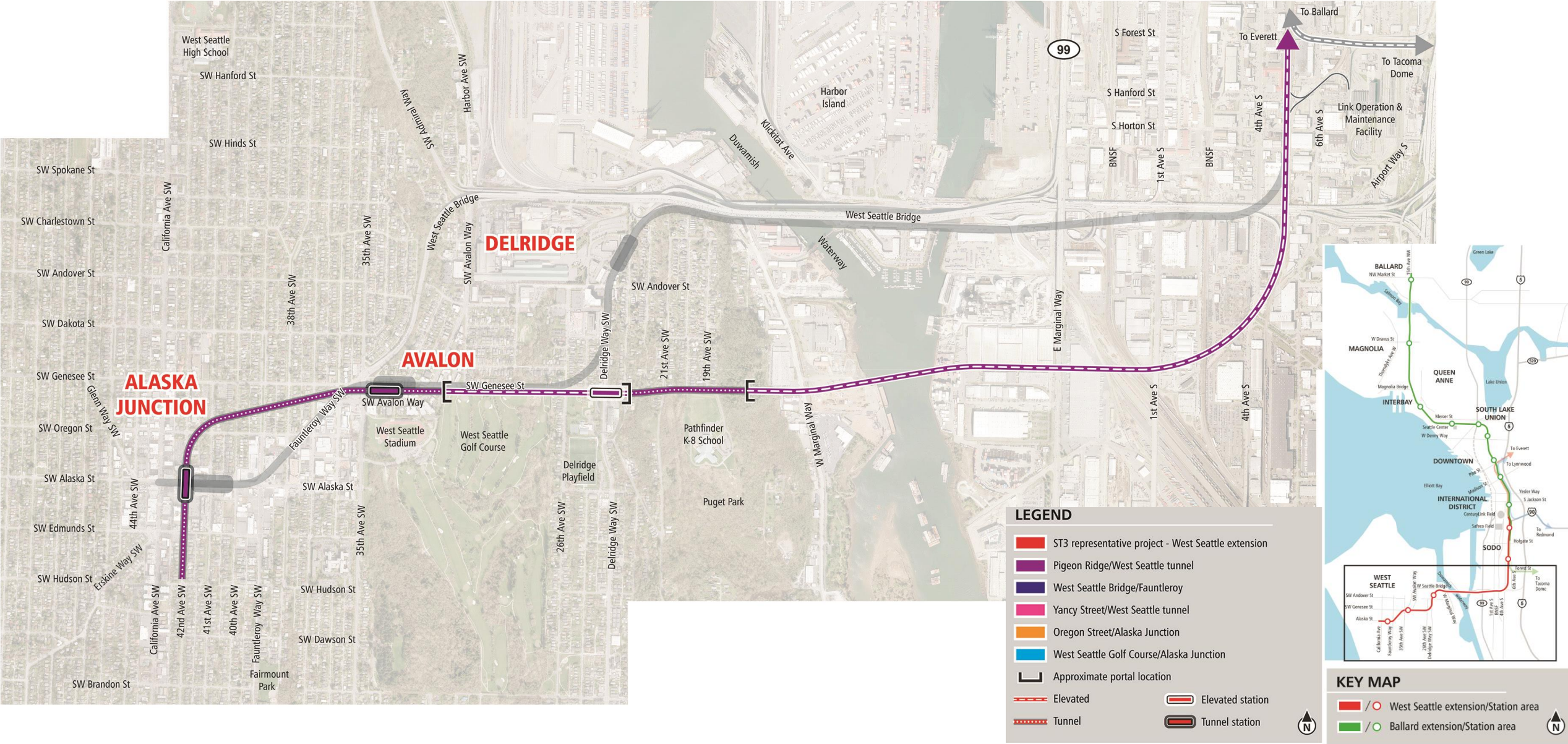
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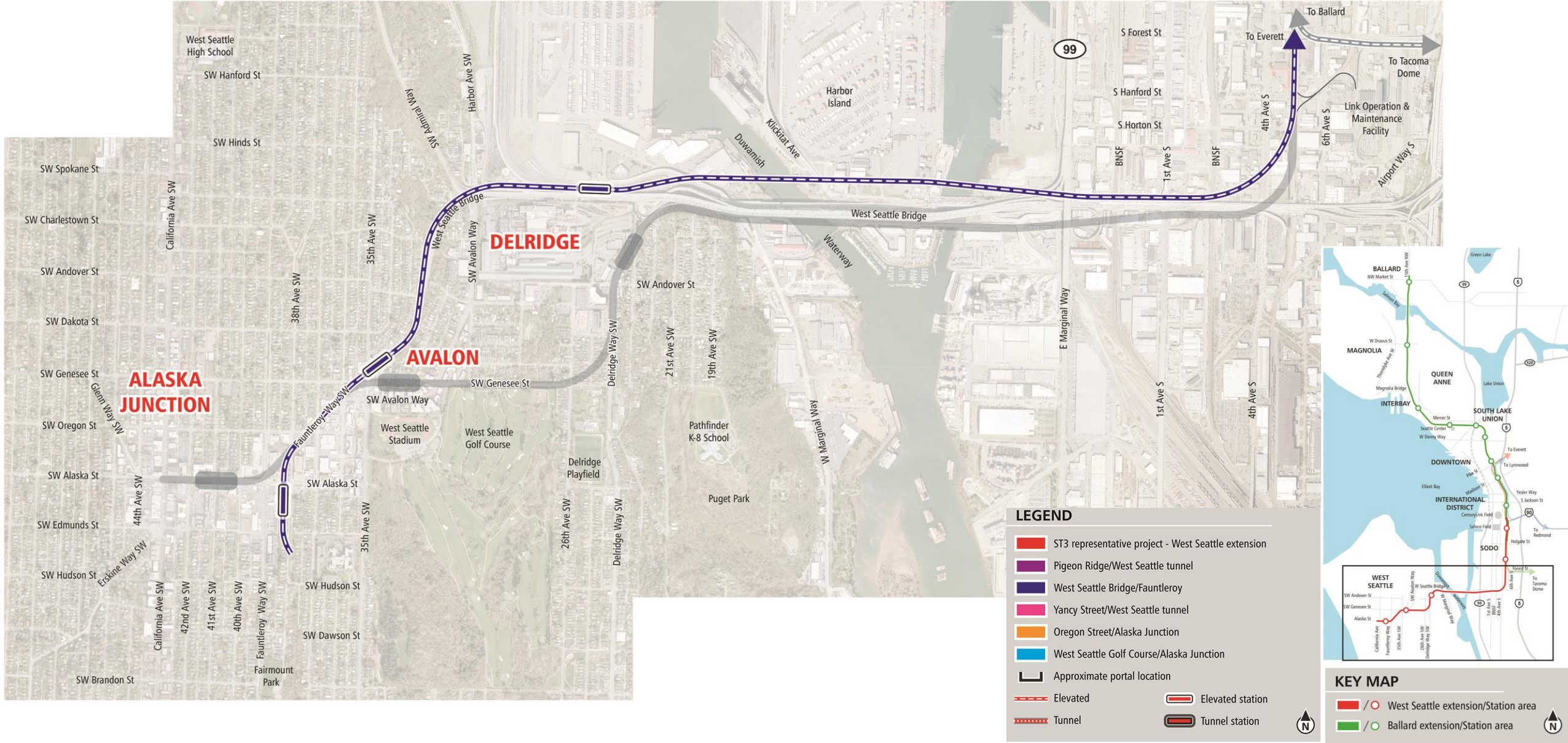
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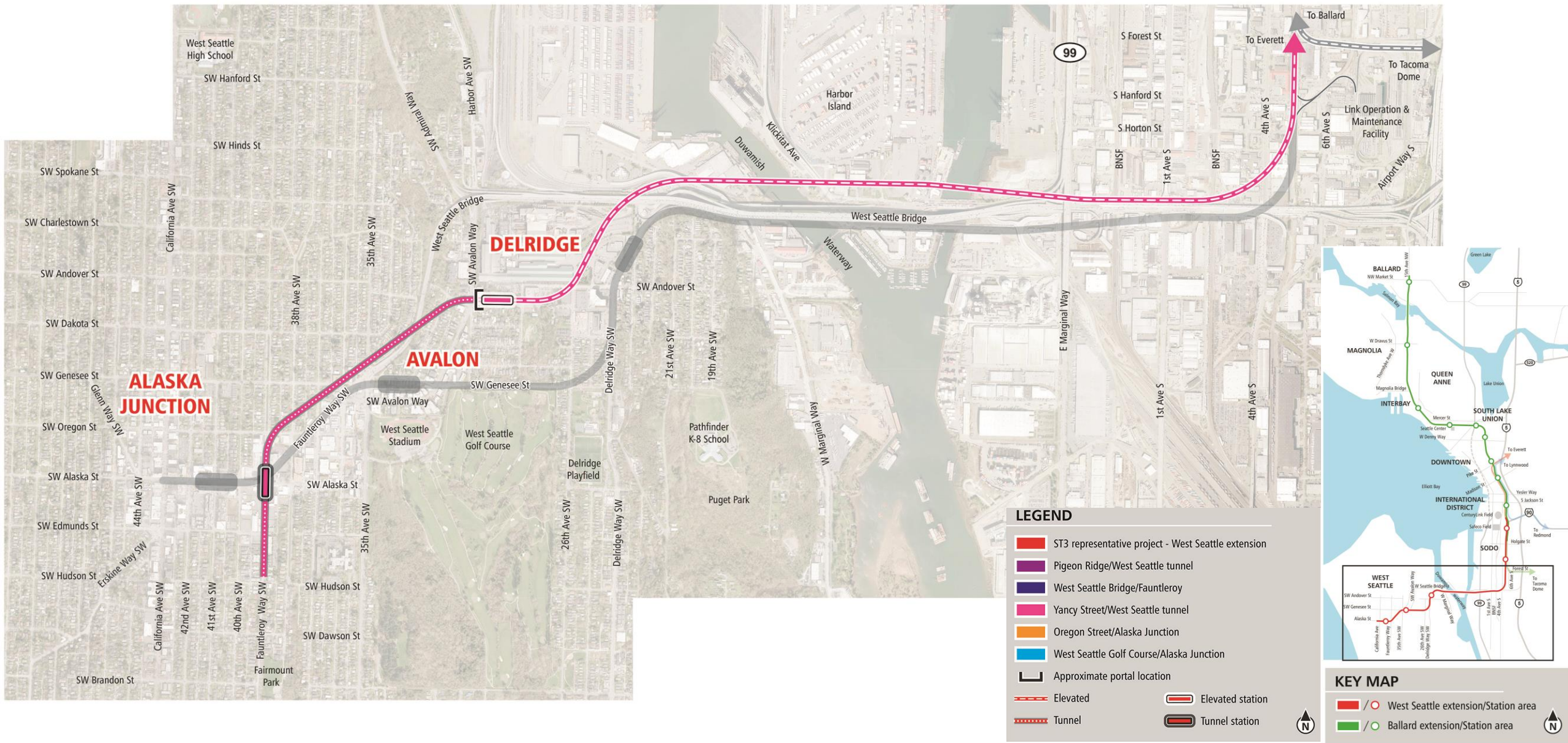
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Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle Tunnel



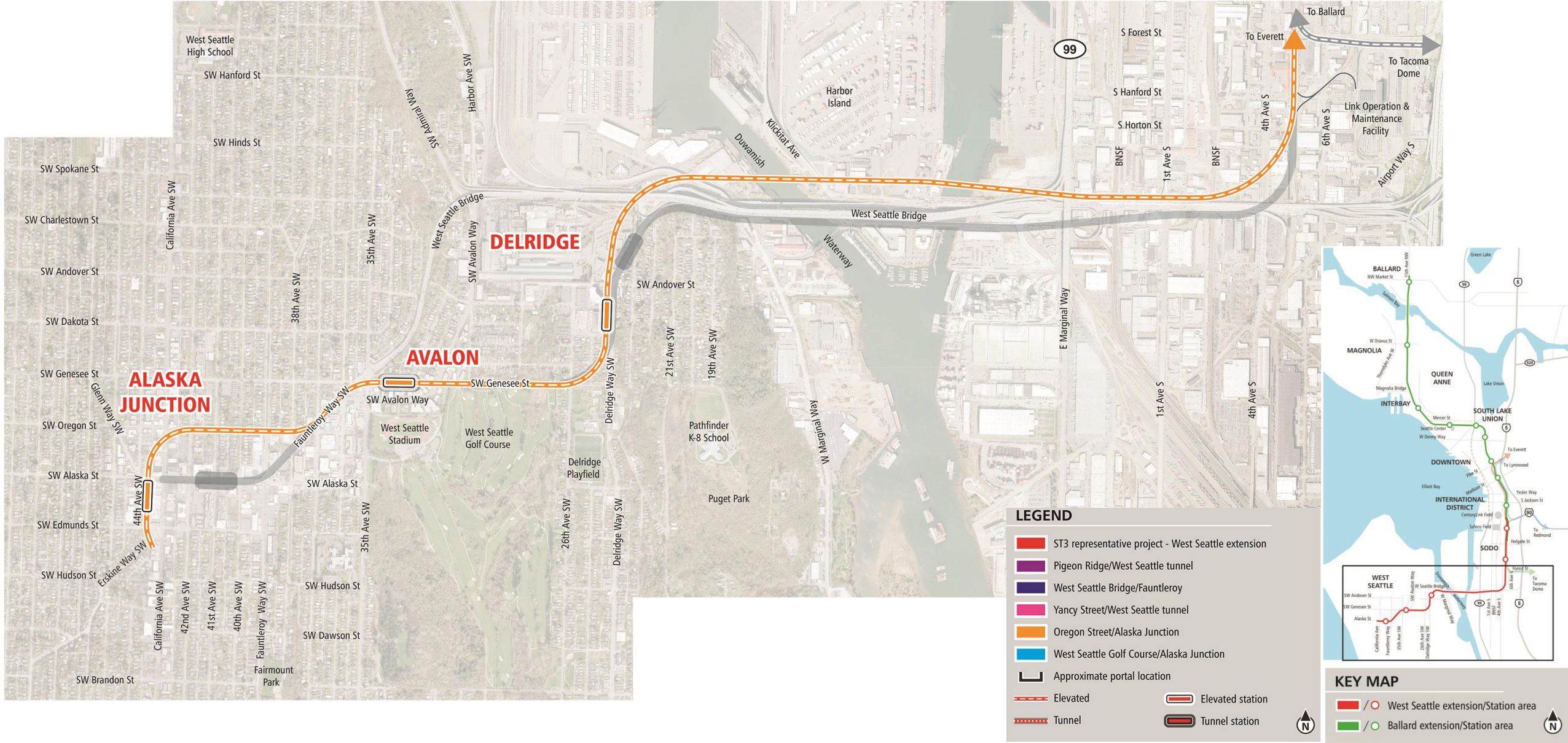
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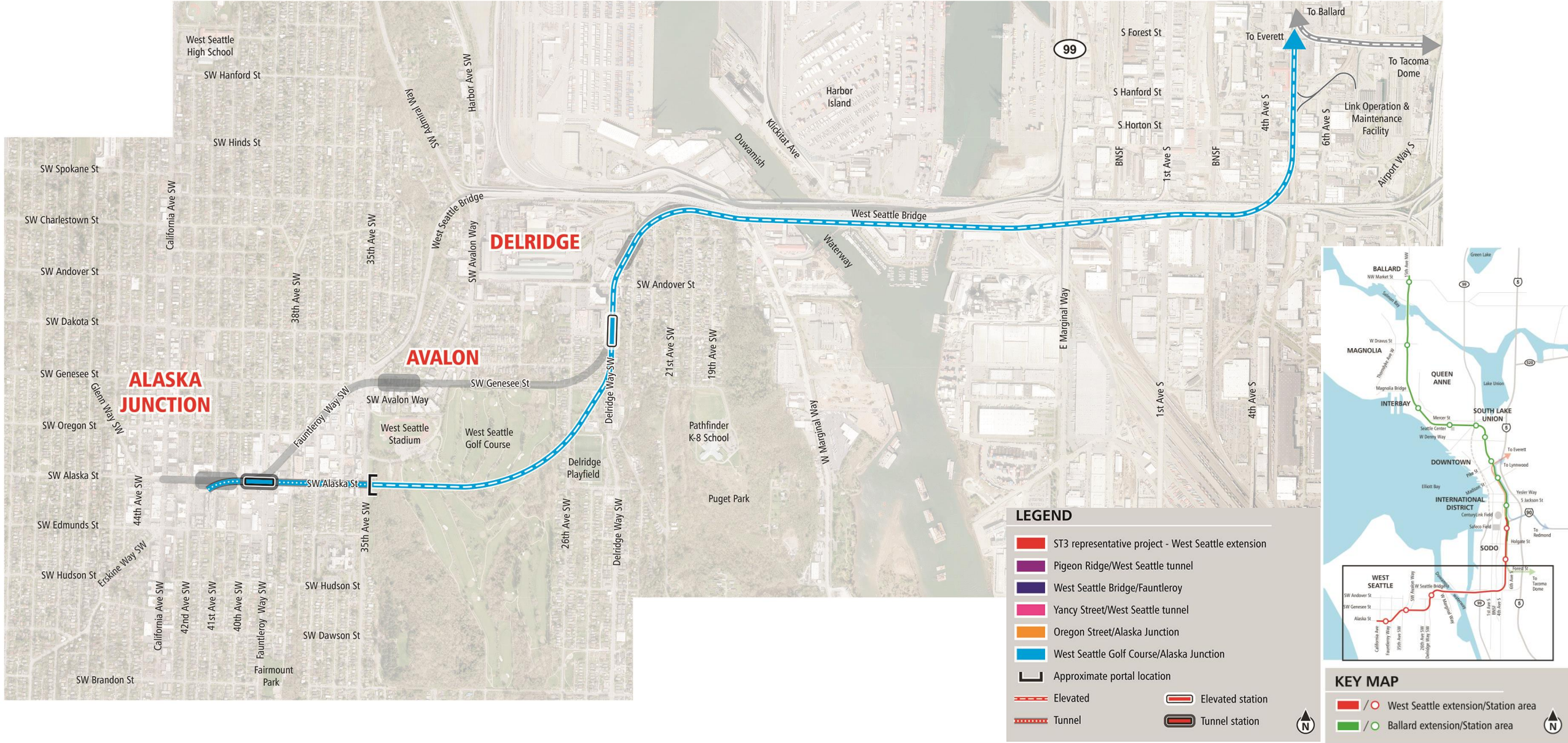
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Yancy Street/West Seattle Tunnel



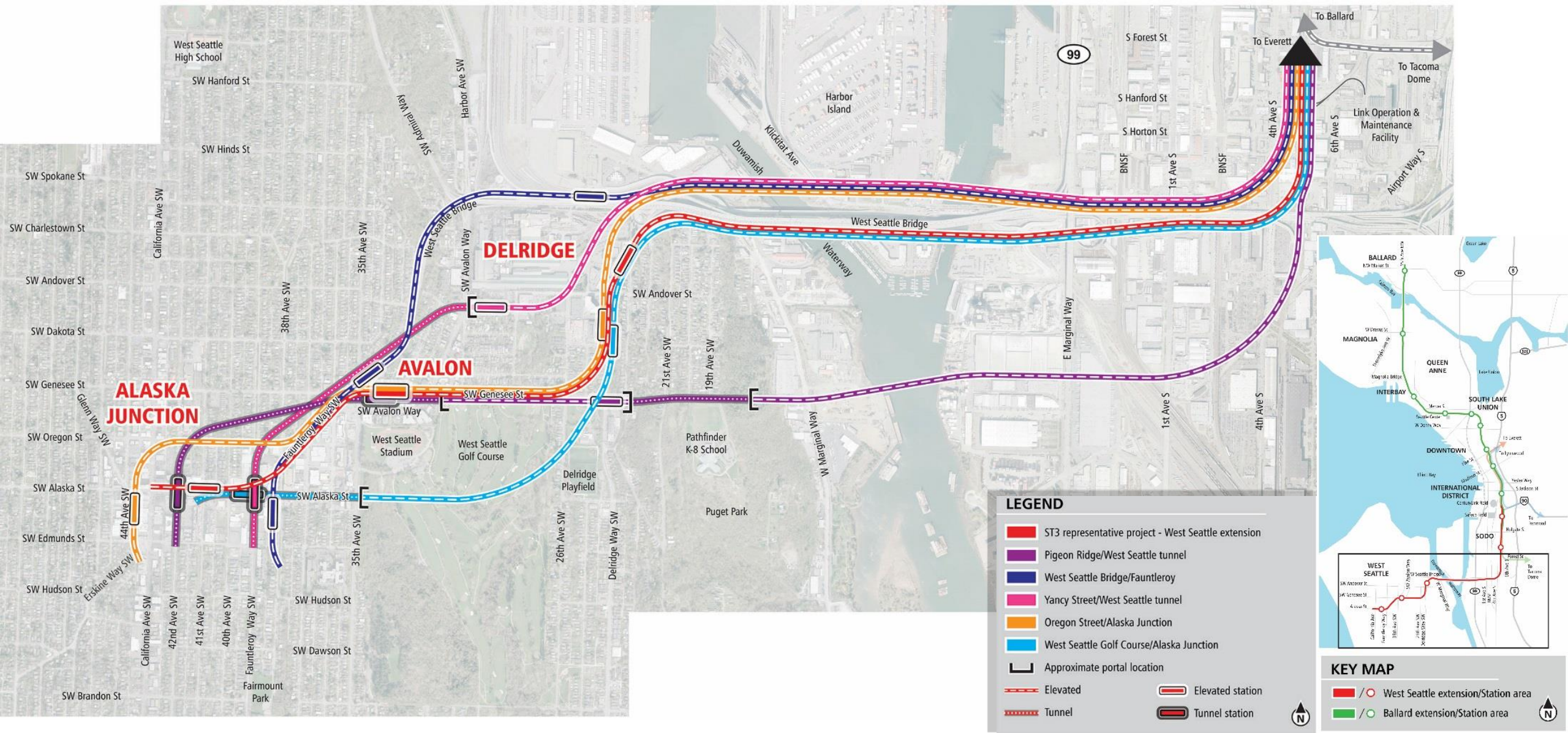
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Oregon Street/Alaska Junction



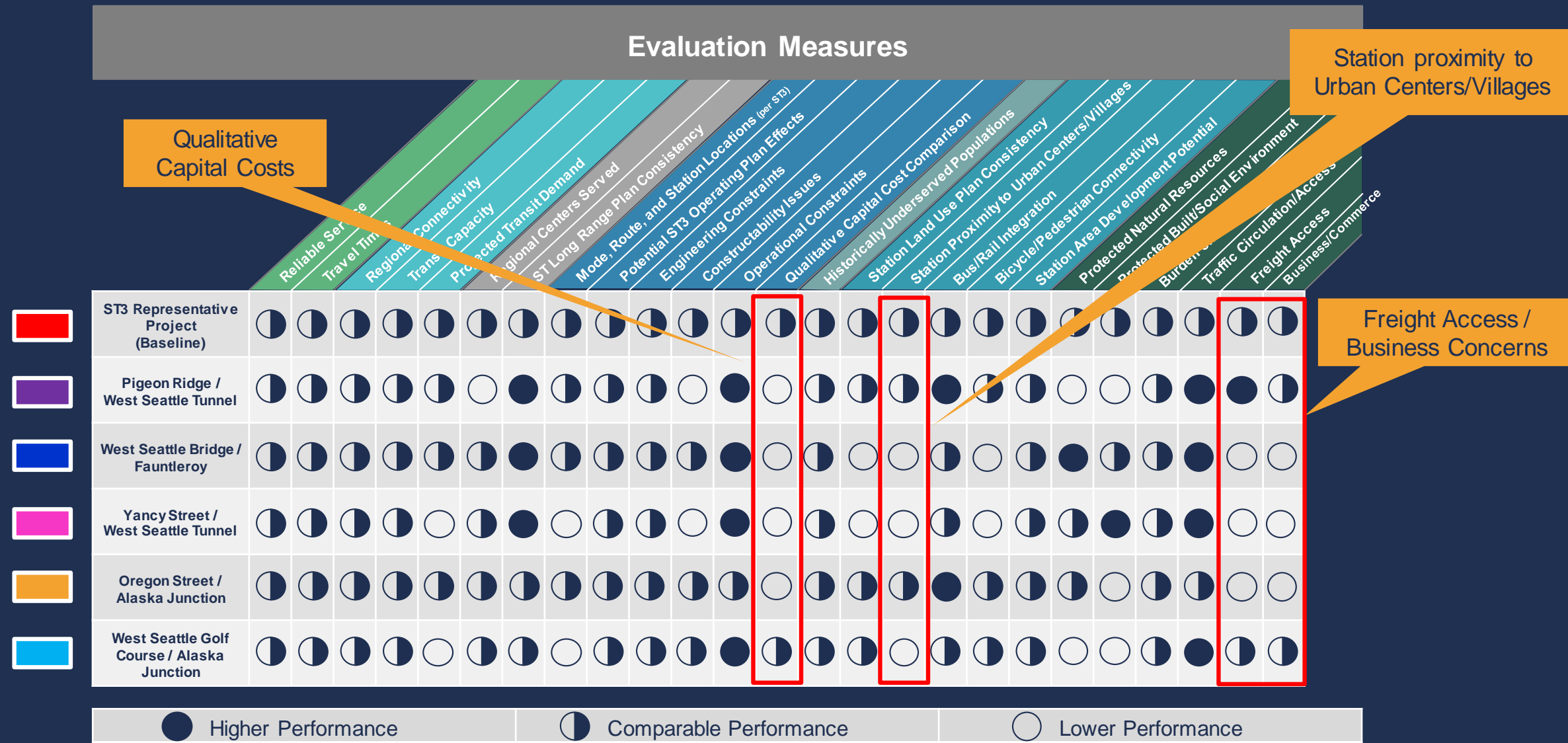
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West Seattle / Duwamish – Level 1 alternatives

West Seattle / Duwamish evaluation

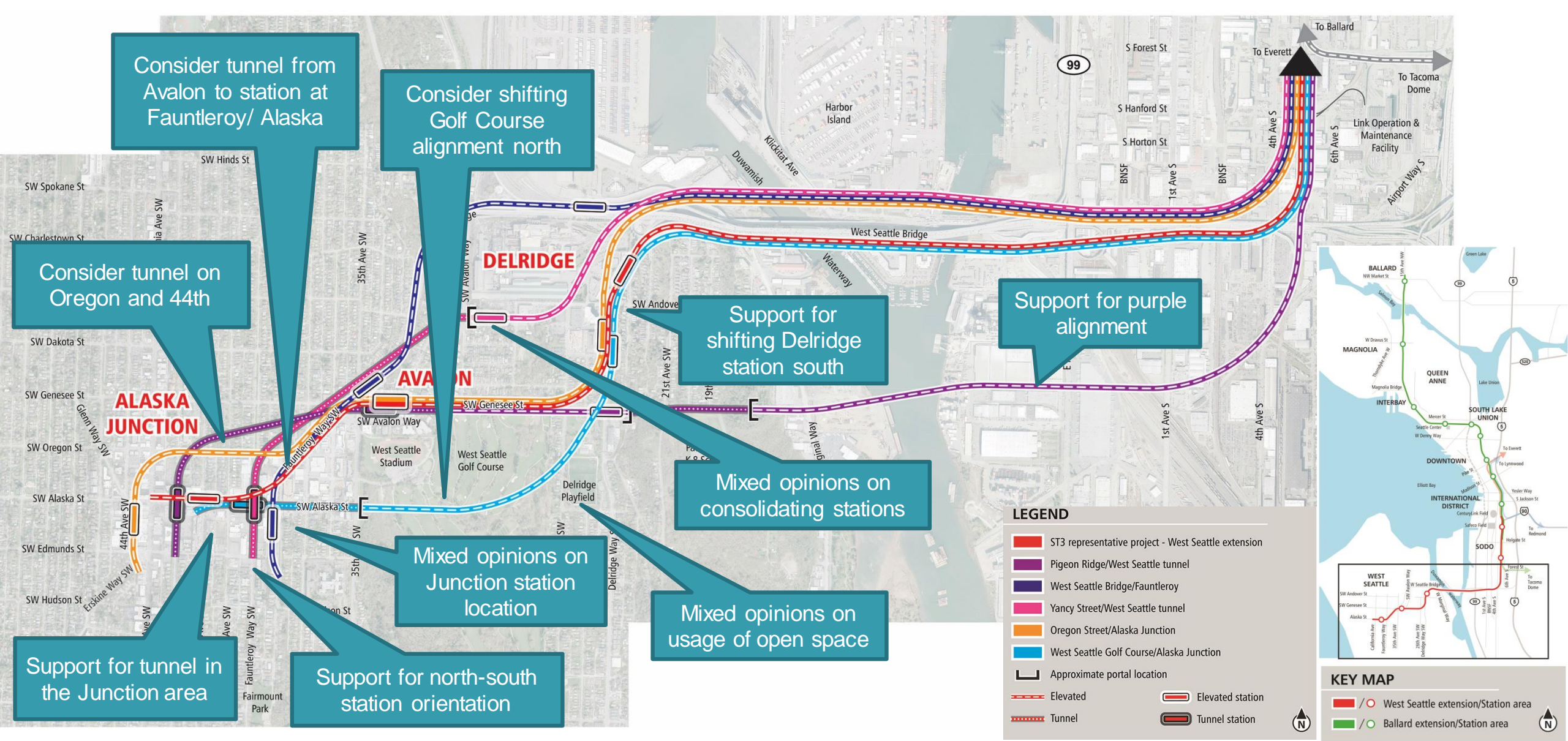




Neighborhood forums







Focused on neighborhood issues and opportunities

- ✓ 4/21: Chinatown / International District
- ✓ 4/23: Denny / SLU / Seattle Center
- ✓ 5/2: Midtown / Westlake
- ✓ 5/5: Delridge / Avalon / Alaska Junction
- ✓ 5/9: SODO / Stadium
- ✓ 5/12: Ballard / Interbay / Smith Cove



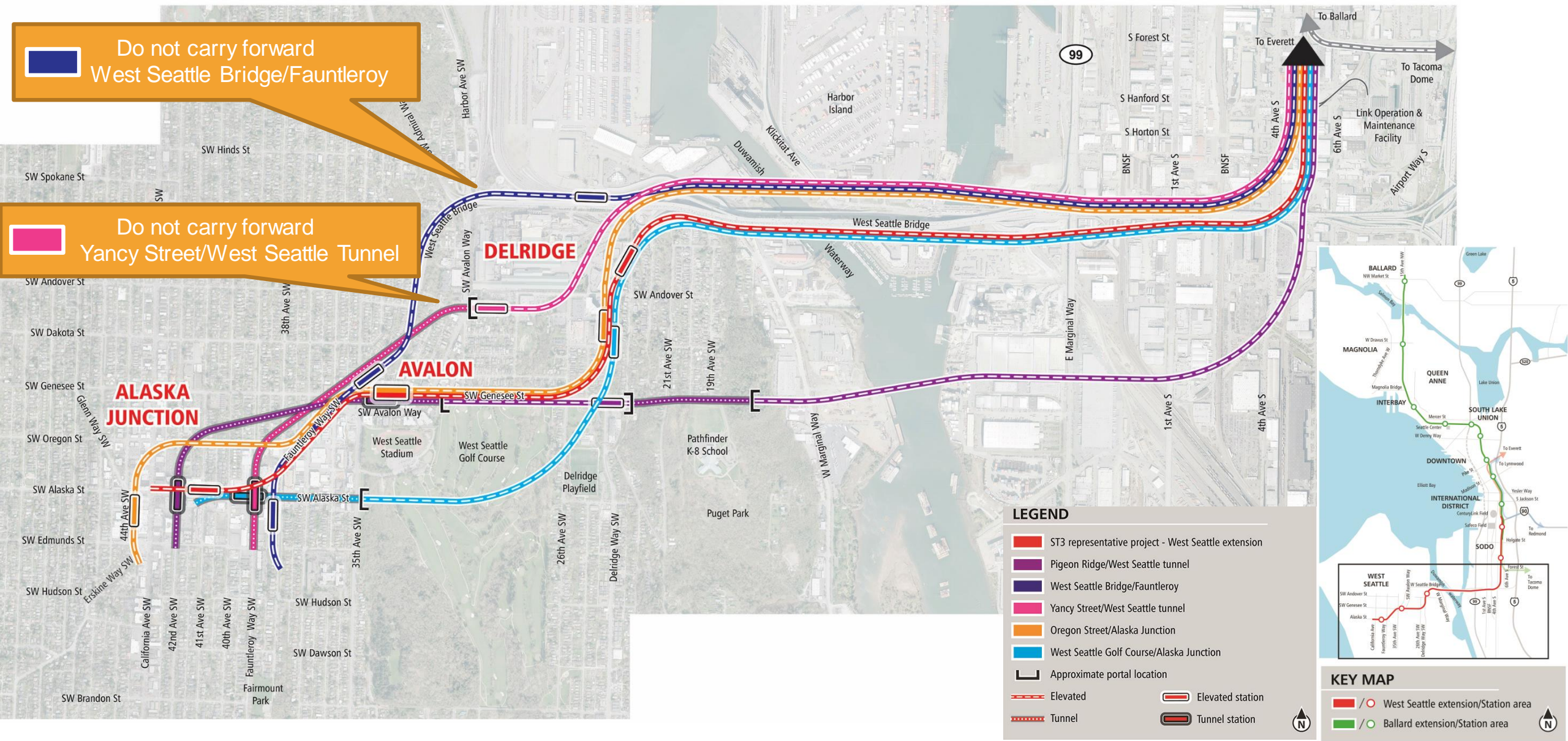
Neighborhood forums feedback *West Seattle/Duwamish*

ELG Recommendations *West Seattle/Duwamish*

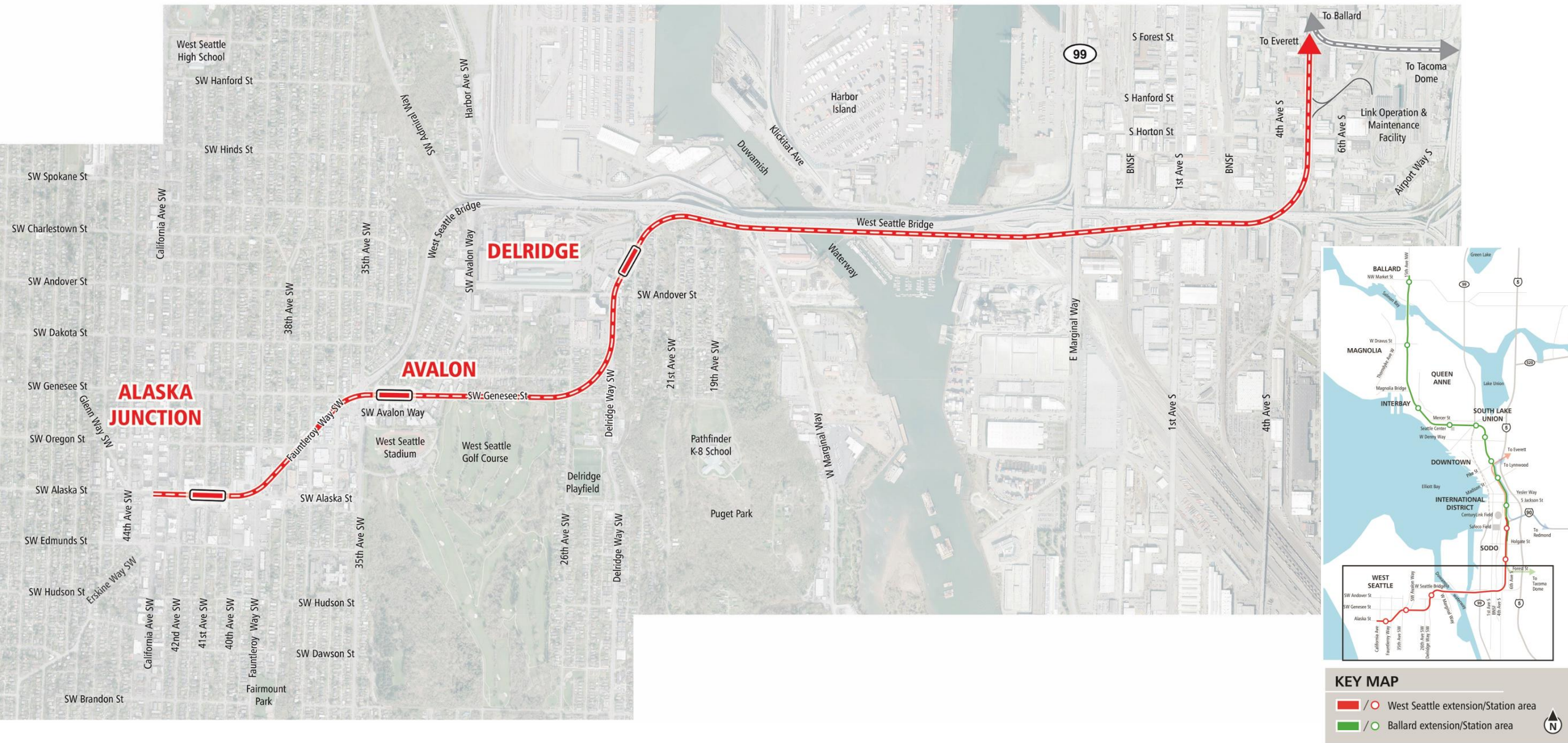
	Alternative		Carry forward?	Do not carry forward?	Notes/Comments
Alternatives with more potential	ST3 Representative Project				
	Oregon Street/Alaska Junction		✓		Explore elevated and tunnel options; explore crossing on south side of West Seattle bridge
	West Seattle Bridge/Fauntleroy			✓	
	Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle Tunnel		✓		
Alternatives with greater challenges	Yancy Street/West Seattle Tunnel			✓	
	West Seattle Golf Course/Alaska Junction (Tunnel)		✓		Explore refined version that avoids 4(f) impacts
Not practical suggestions	Tunnel under Duwamish			✓	
	West Seattle Bridge			✓	
	Gondola, rail/bus bridge			✓	
	Extensions to Alki, Admiral, etc.			✓	

Do not carry forward
West Seattle Bridge/Fauntleroy

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Yancy Street/West Seattle Tunnel

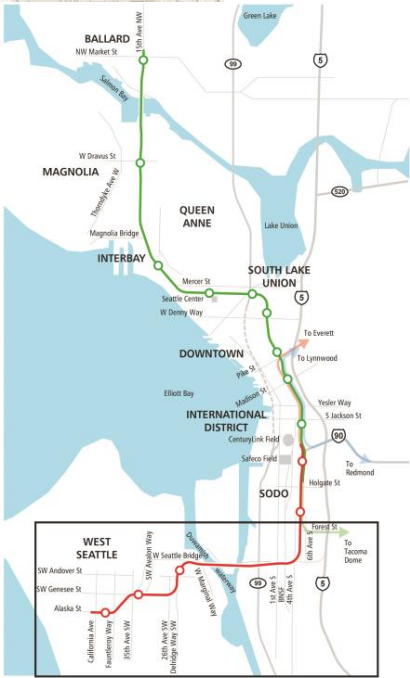


Level 1 alternatives West Seattle/Duwamish

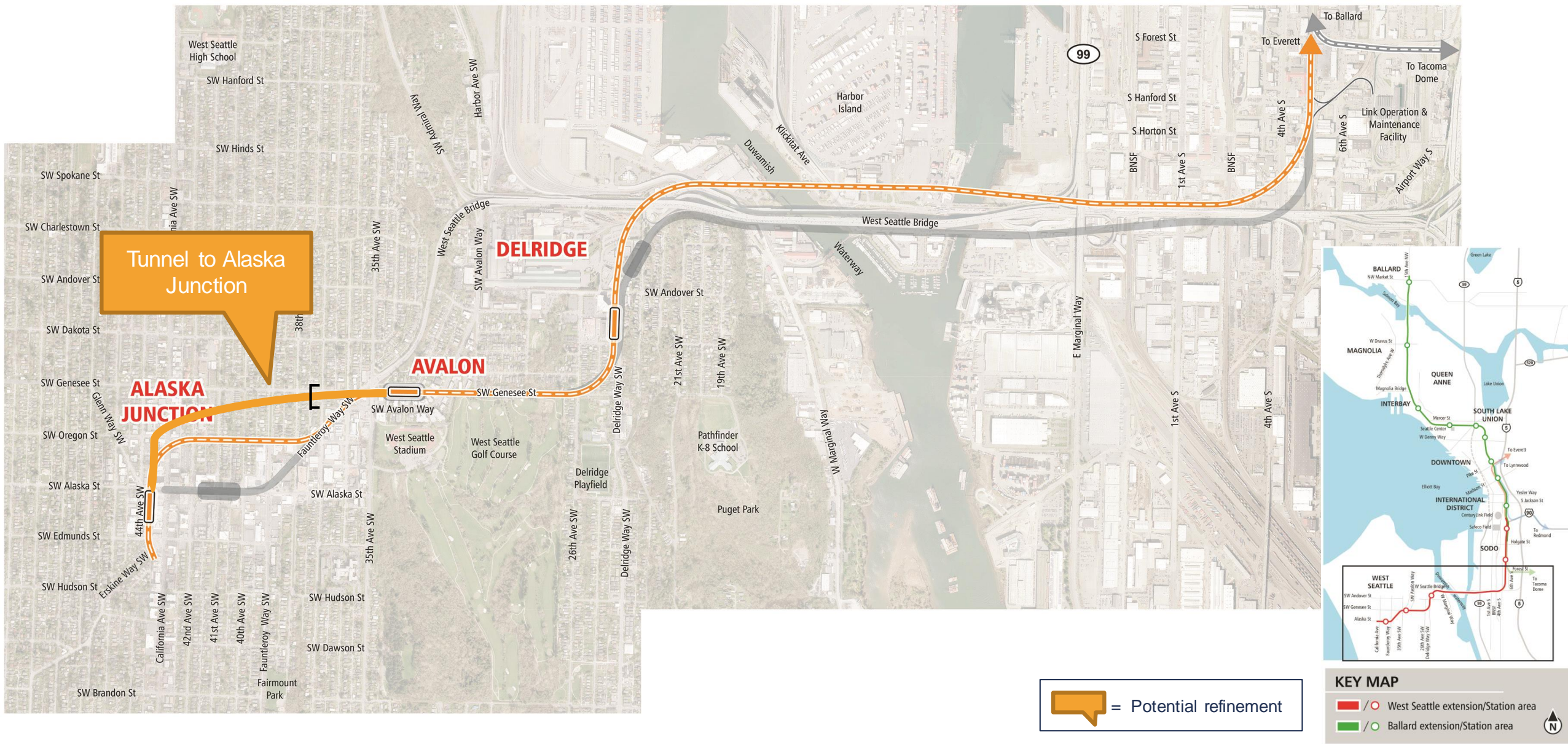


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Baseline alternative – *ST3 Representative Project*

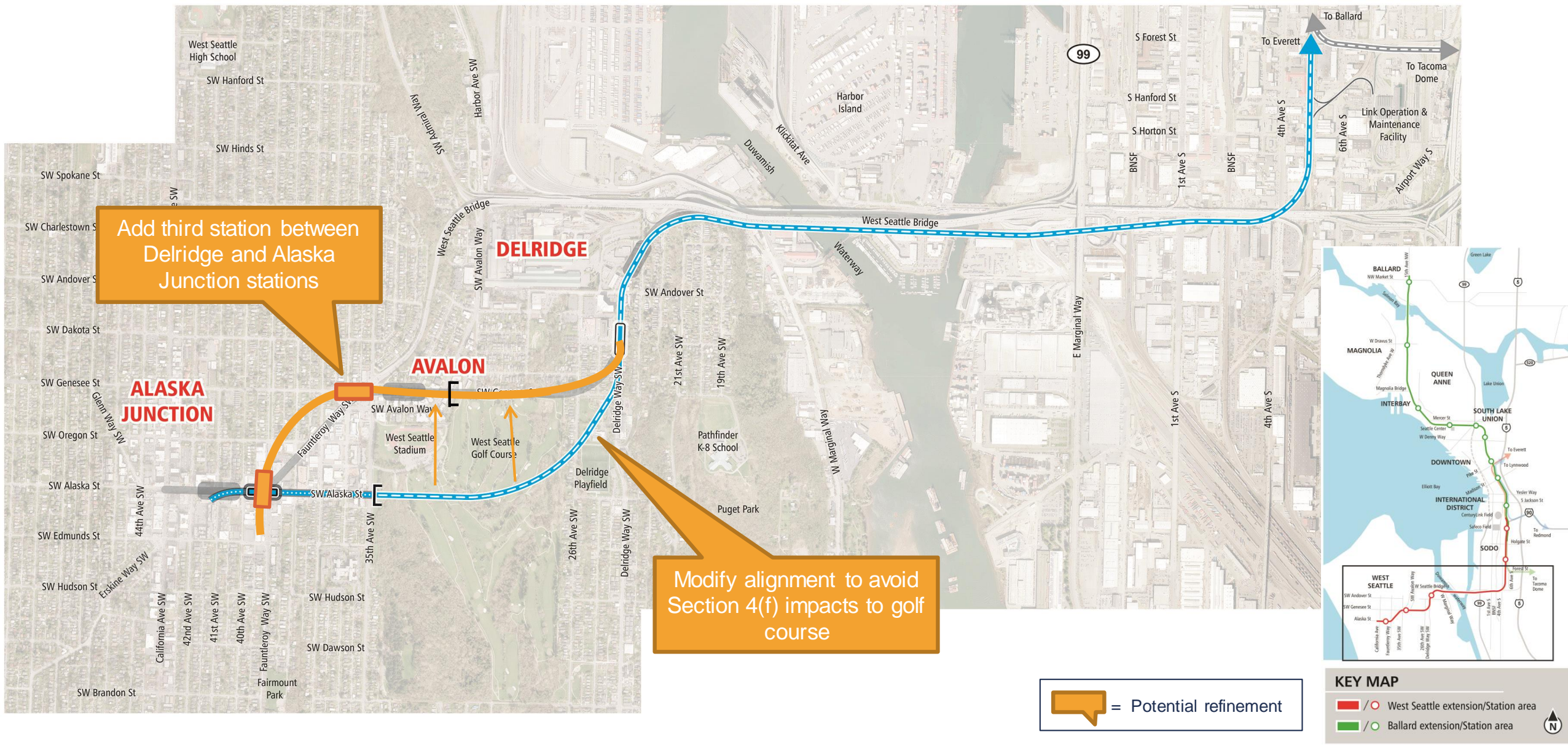


Level 1 recommendations – *Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle Tunnel*



West Seattle/Duwamish

Level 1 recommendations – Oregon Street/Alaska Junction Tunnel



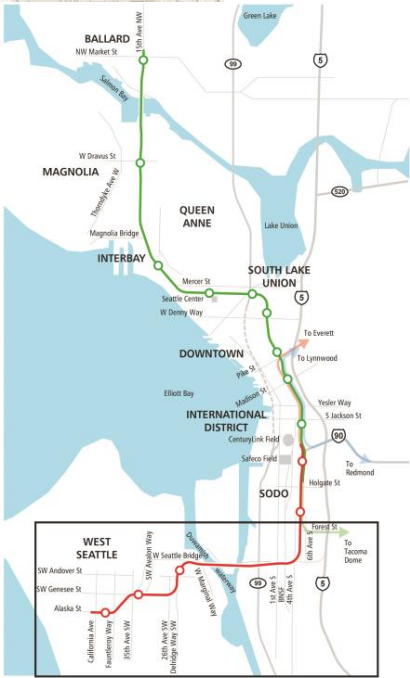
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Level 1 recommendations – **West Seattle Golf Course/Alaska Junction**

Additional feedback

West Seattle/Duwamish

- Explore opportunities for Delridge station to better serve the community
- Explore shifting Avalon Station west to straddle Fauntleroy for better station access



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How to stay engaged

Contact ST

- Call the project line to speak with an Outreach Specialist
- Send an email with questions, concerns or comments



Get involved

- Attend an open house
- Participate in a neighborhood forum



Go online

- Visit the project website
- Respond to online surveys
- Subscribe to email updates
- Follow on social media



• *2018 Festivals*

- Morgan Junction Festival (6/16)
- Festival Sundiata (6/16-6/17)
- West Seattle Summer Fest (7/13-7/15)
- Ballard Seafood Fest (7/13-7/15)
- Dragon Fest (7/14-7/15)
- South Lake Union Block Party (8/10)
- Delridge Day (8/11)
- Celebrate Little Saigon (8/26)
- Night Market (9/8)
- Fishermen's Fall Festival (9/15)
- Sustainable Ballard Festival (9/22)
- Dia de Muertos (10/27-10/28)
- Magnolia Farmers Market (TBD)



Stakeholder Advisory Group

- **Abigail Doerr**, Transportation Choices Coalition
- **Andres Arjona**, Community Representative - Ballard
- **Becky Asencio**, Seattle Public Schools
- **Brian King**, Community Representative – West Seattle
- **Bryce Yadon**, Futurewise
- **Colleen Echohawk**, Chief Seattle Club
- **Dave Gering**, Manufacturing Industrial Council
- **Deb Barker**, Community Representative – West Seattle
- **Erin Goodman**, SODO Business Improvement Area
- **Ginny Gilder**, Force 10 Hoops/Seattle Storm
- **Greg Nickels**, Former Mayor of Seattle
- **Hamilton Gardiner**, West Seattle Chamber of Commerce
- **Jon Scholes**, Downtown Seattle Association
- **Julia Park**, Community Representative – Ballard
- **Katie Garrow**, Martin Luther King Labor Council
- **Larry Yok**, Community Representative – Chinatown/ID



Stakeholder Advisory Group

- **Maiko Winkler-Chin**, SCIDpda
- **Mark Nagle**, Expedia
- **Mike Stewart**, Ballard Alliance
- **Paul Lambros**, Plymouth Housing
- **Peter Schrappen**, Northwest Marine Trade Association
- **Robert Cardona**, Community Representative - Uptown
- **Ron Severt**, Space Needle
- **Savitha Reddy Pathi**, Wing Luke Museum
- **Scott Rusch**, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
- **Steve Lewis**, Alliance for People with disAbilities
- **Walter Reese**, Nucor Steel
- **Warren Aakervik**, Community Representative - Freight
- **Willard Brown**, Delridge Neighborhood Development Association



➤ ***Next Meeting – June 20, 2018***

Elected Leadership Group

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Sound Transit Board Chair

Mayor Jenny Durkan
Sound Transit Board Member

Executive Dow Constantine
Sound Transit Board Member

Councilmember Rob Johnson
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Seattle City Council

Councilmember Bruce Harrell
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Councilmember Sally Bagshaw
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Councilmember Mike O'Brien
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> Next Meeting – July 19, 2018



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