

Willamette River Crossing

East side heavy haul routes and construction staging

The Willamette River Crossing project will deliver water to the west side of the river, even after an earthquake. The improvements we're making will enhance our water system's resilience and reduce future risks, ensuring safe and abundant water for generations to come.

Like many other construction projects, this two-year improvement project will require trucks to bring equipment and supplies to the work zone and to dispose materials outside of the work zone. We will work hard to minimize impacts to surrounding residents and businesses through the measures described below.

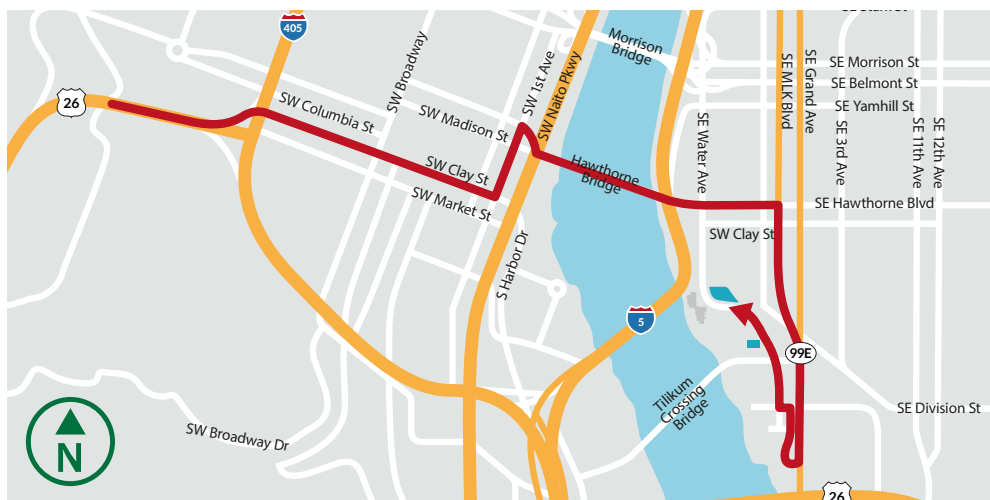
Work zones

Construction will occur in different segments on both sides of the river. Each segment requires different construction methods and traffic planning. Not all segments will be under construction at the same time.

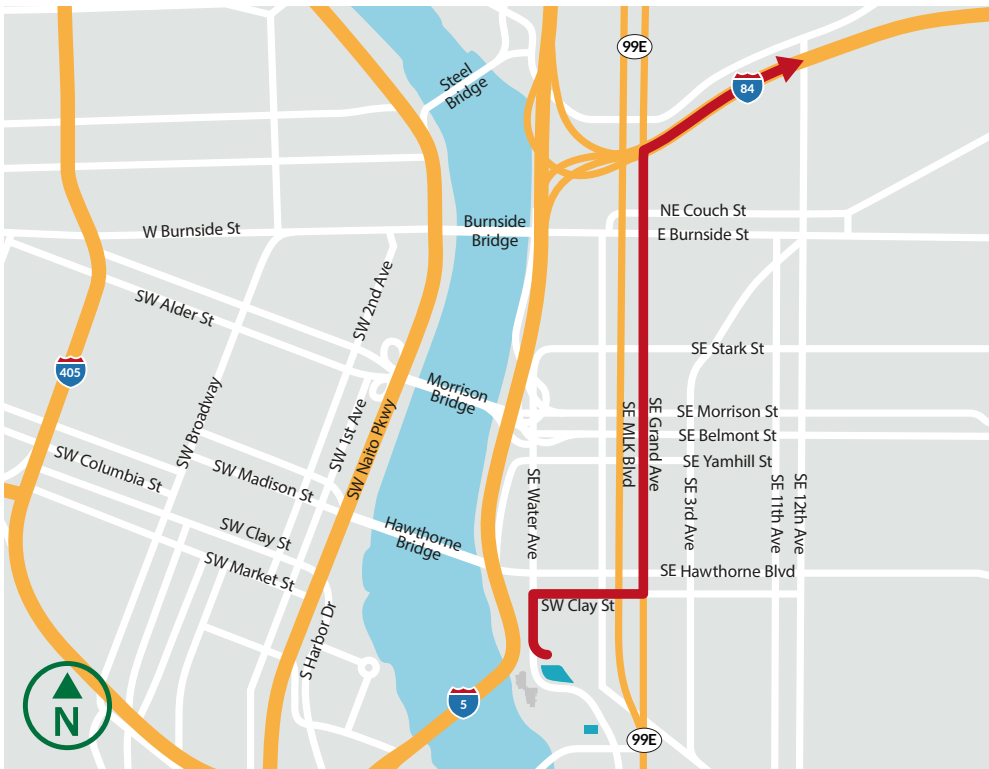


Heavy haul routes used to transport materials to and from work sites

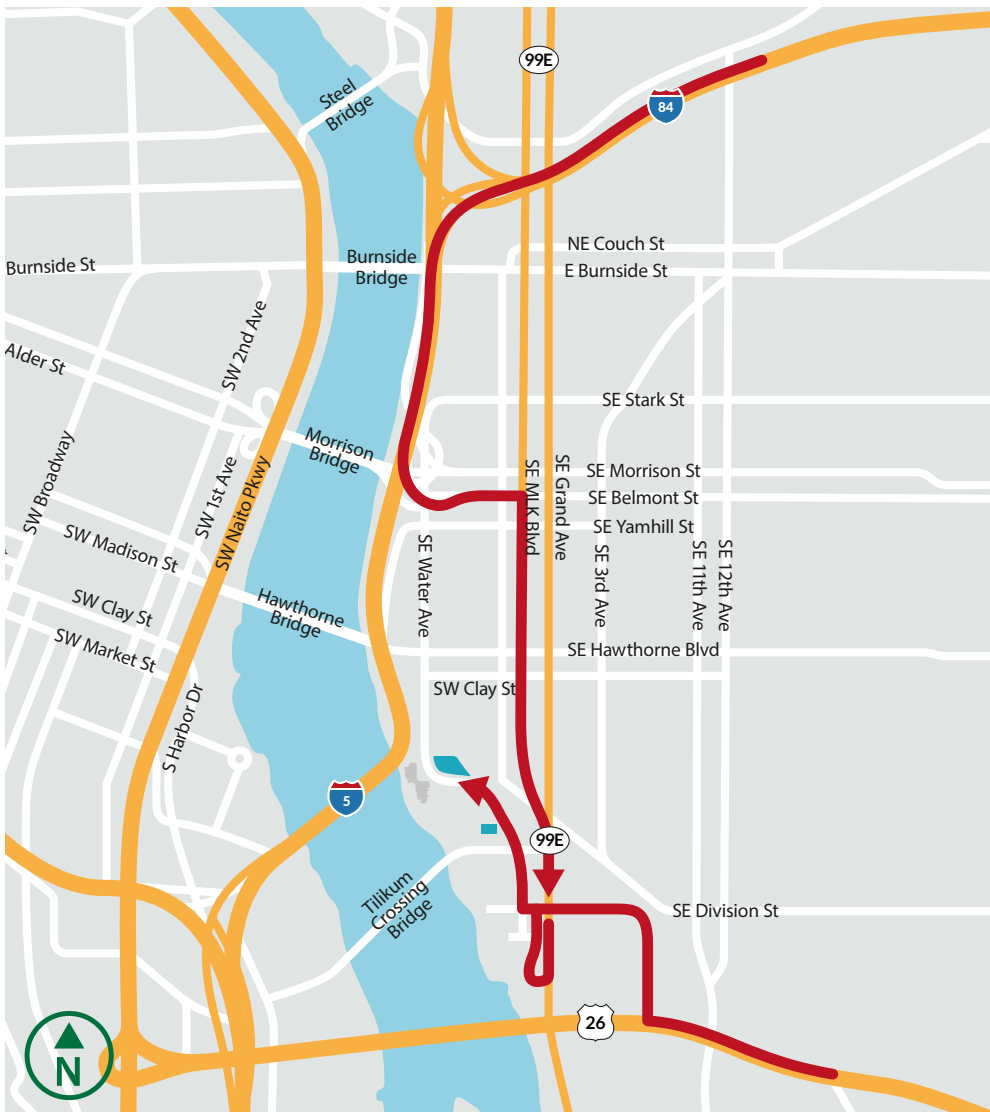
To minimize impacts to local roadways, the contractor will require truck drivers to use specific heavy haul routes. These routes will be used primarily during open cut construction activities. They will facilitate efficient access to and from the freeway and help keep traffic moving through the neighborhood. In unforeseen circumstances, truck drivers may need to find alternate routes. The maps below highlight heavy haul routes traveling from the construction zones and waste management sites.



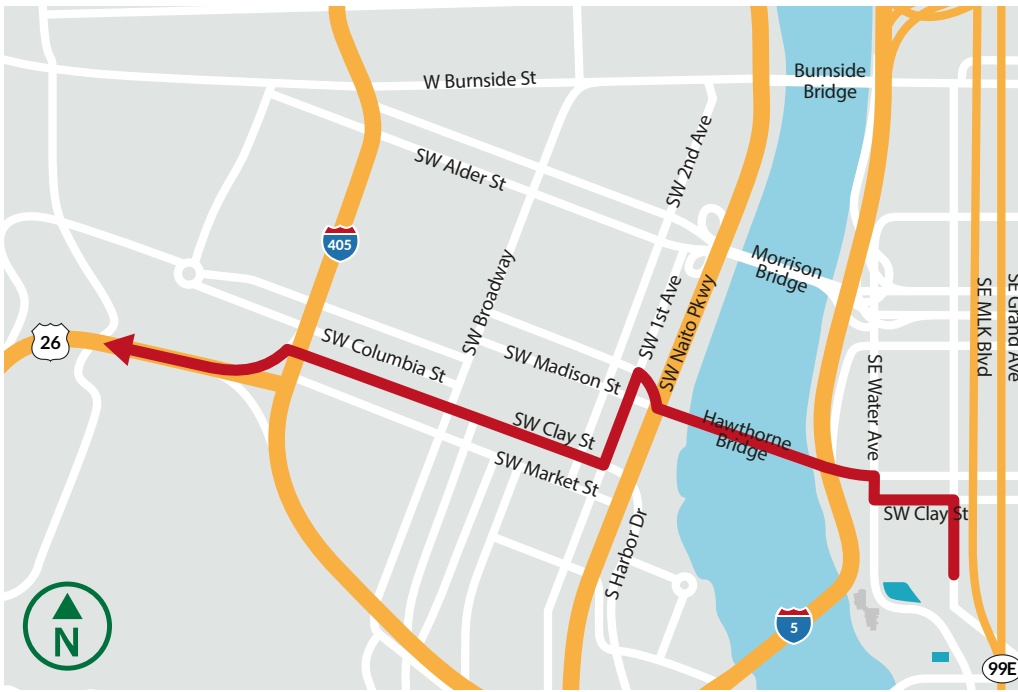
Hillsboro to Water Ave
via Highway 26



SE Water Ave to SE Portland
traveling eastbound via I-84

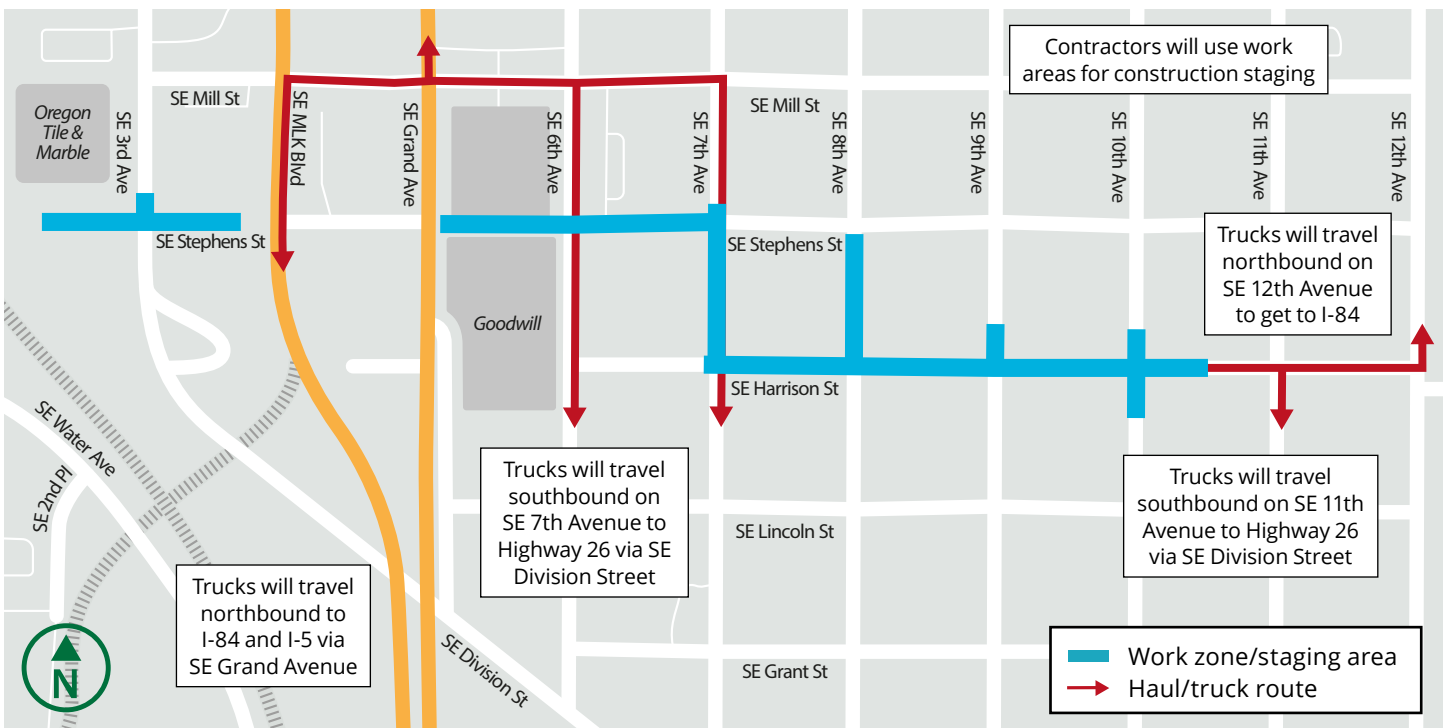


We may use alternate routes to travel to SE Water Ave from NE Portland. This map shows two westbound haul routes from NE Portland to SE Water Ave using I-84 E or Highway 26.



SE 3rd Avenue and
SE Stephens Street traveling
westbound to Hillsboro

Eastside open-cut trench work areas and truck haul routes



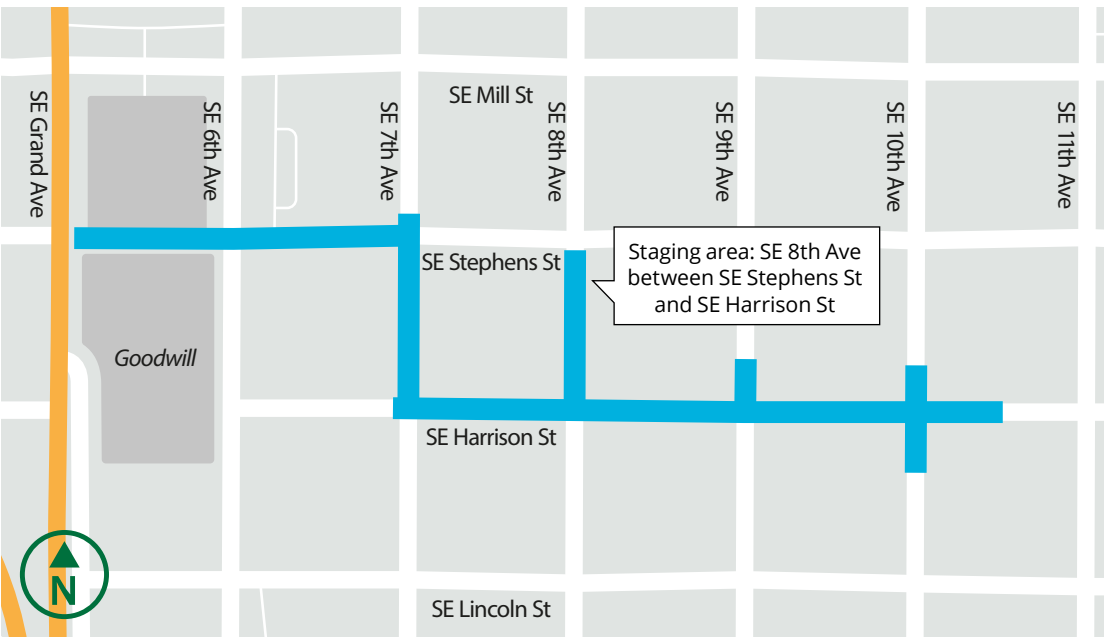
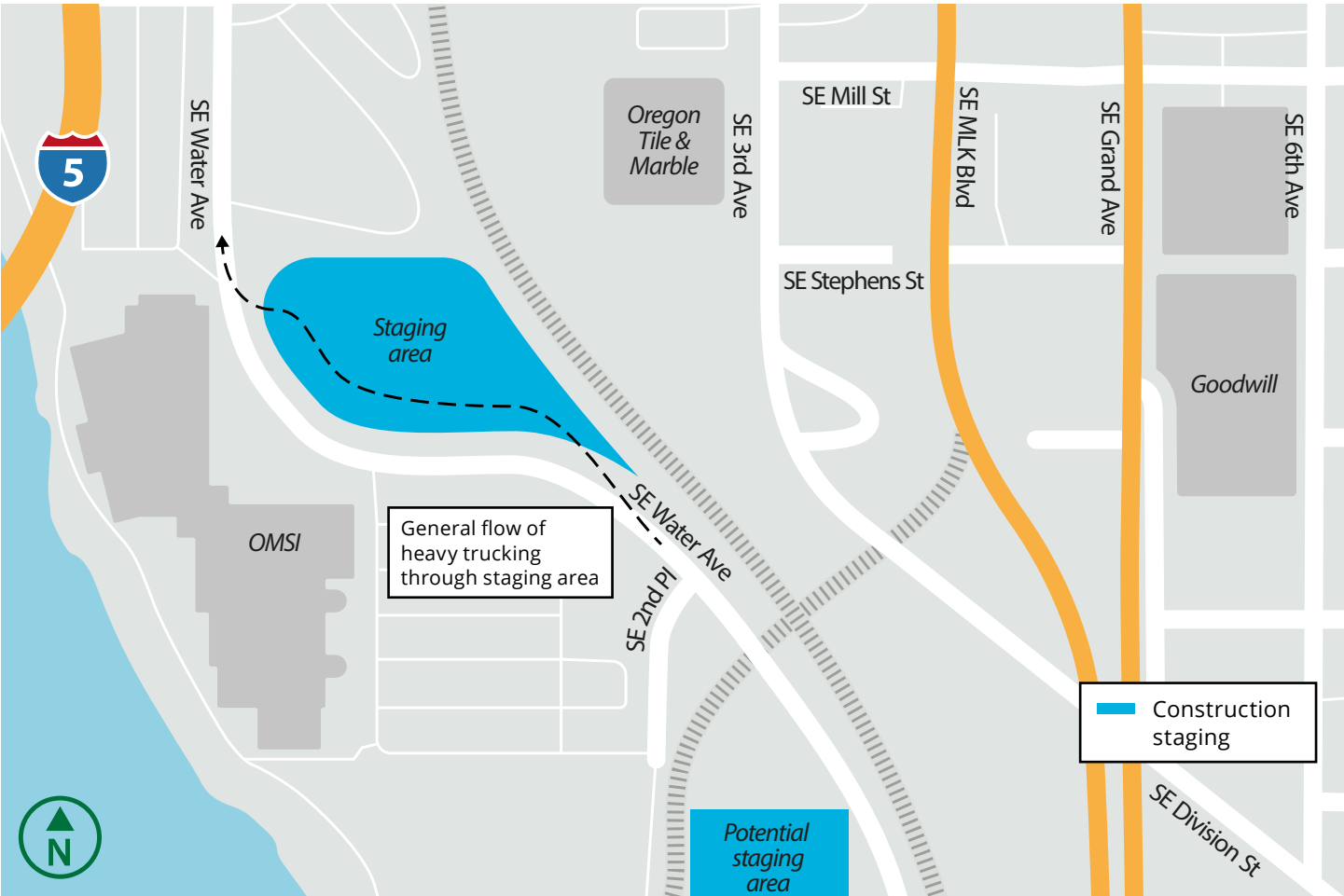
Reducing our footprint

In an effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other impacts to the environment, the contractor will require operators of trucks, generators, and other large equipment to turn off engines if idling for more than five minutes. The contractor will use hard-wired power to run equipment if economically feasible. The contractor will regularly monitor diesel generators used onsite to ensure they are serving an immediate function. If the generator is serving no function, the five-minute idle policy will apply.

Construction staging on the east side of the river

SE Water Avenue

The contractor will construct a launch shaft just north of OMSI on the east side of SE Water Avenue. The property will serve as the main yard for materials and equipment to support east shaft construction and trenchless activities. Trucks will access the site using the driveway entrances on SE Water Avenue. We expect the staging location and activities to minimally affect traffic.



The contractor will use streets and parking areas in these work zones to stage construction equipment.



Heavy machinery will be used to excavate trenches during open-cut construction.

What to expect during construction:

- Typical weekday work hours are 7 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Minimal night and weekend work will be required.
 - Lane restrictions will occur during active work periods. Local access will be maintained when feasible.
 - Pedestrian access will be maintained using detours when sidewalks and walkways are temporarily closed.
 - Safety barriers will include signage and fencing.
 - Parking will be restricted.
 - The contractor will work with businesses and vendors to ensure delivery access.
 - Bus stops may be temporarily relocated.
 - Emergency access will be maintained at all times.
- *Start date, duration, and work hours are subject to change due to permitting, weather, and other factors.*

Being a good neighbor

Keeping community members informed is a priority for us during this work. We will continue to communicate with residents, businesses, and interested groups to help minimize construction impacts. Some of the ways we will share the information you need to plan ahead include:

- Community meetings and briefings
- Regular email and text message updates
- Flyers at your door
- Signage around your community
- Social media updates
- A construction information hotline
- Prompt, individualized responses to inquiries

For more information

- Visit the website: [Portland.gov/water/wrx](https://portland.gov/water/wrx)
- Email us: wrx@portlandoregon.gov
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