

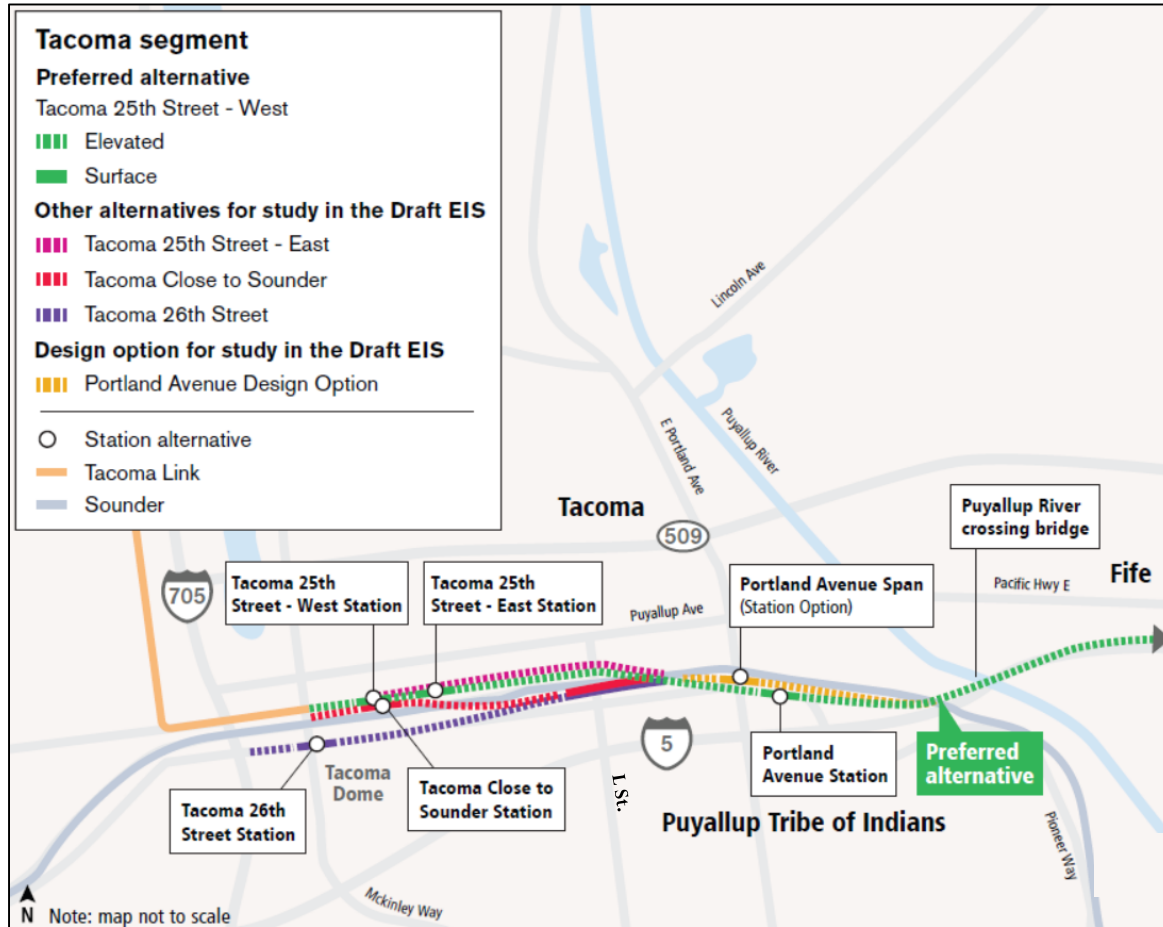
Sound Transit Update

TOD Advisory Group

08/17/2020

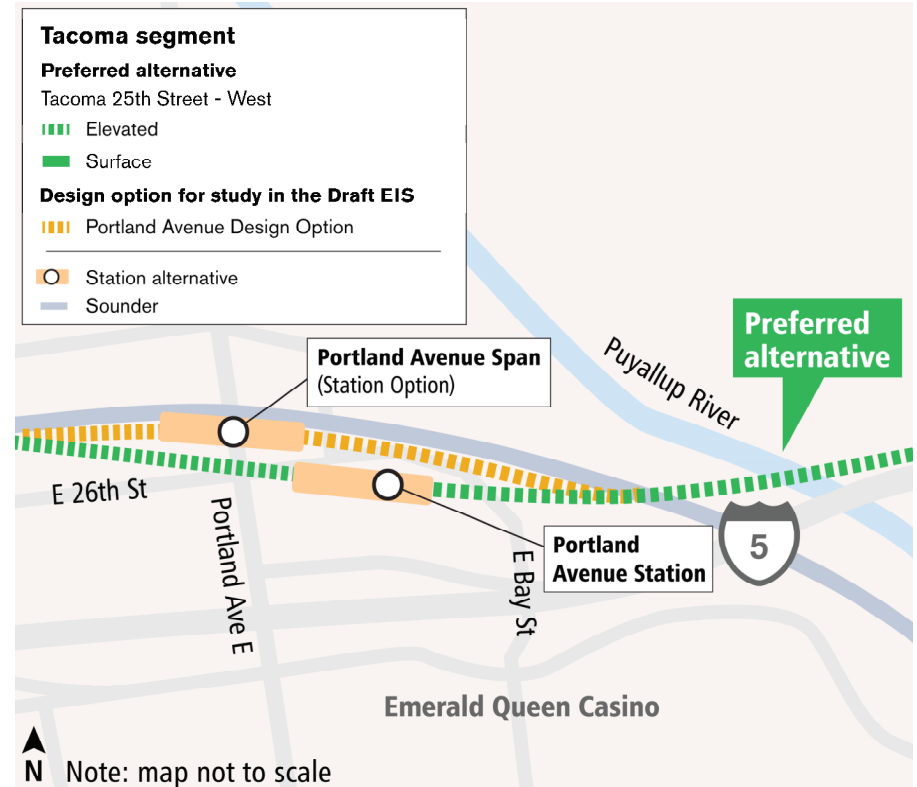
Tacoma Segment: overview

- Two stations
- Puyallup River light rail-only bridge two crossing options:
 - Clear span
 - In-river piers



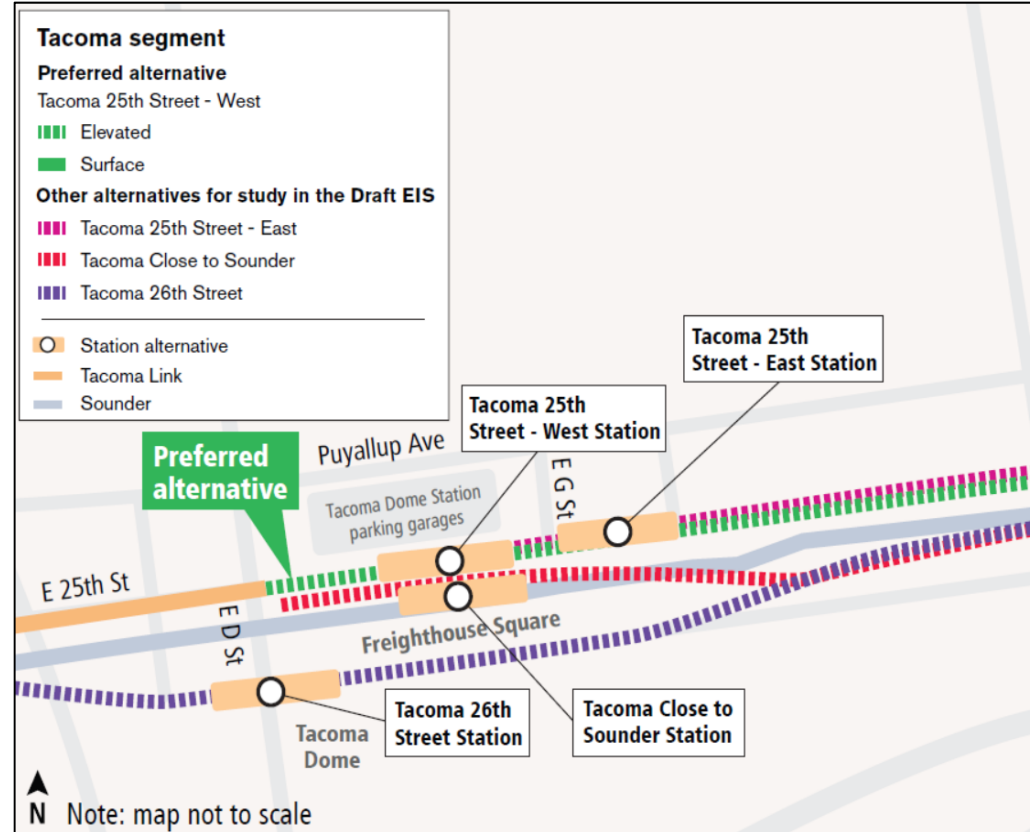
Portland Avenue Station: Overview

- Puyallup River light rail only bridge crossing 2 options
- Board direction to evaluate a pedestrian bridge over I-5
- Agreement with WSDOT to allow for widening of I-5 underpass sidewalk
- Non-motorized and transit access to station



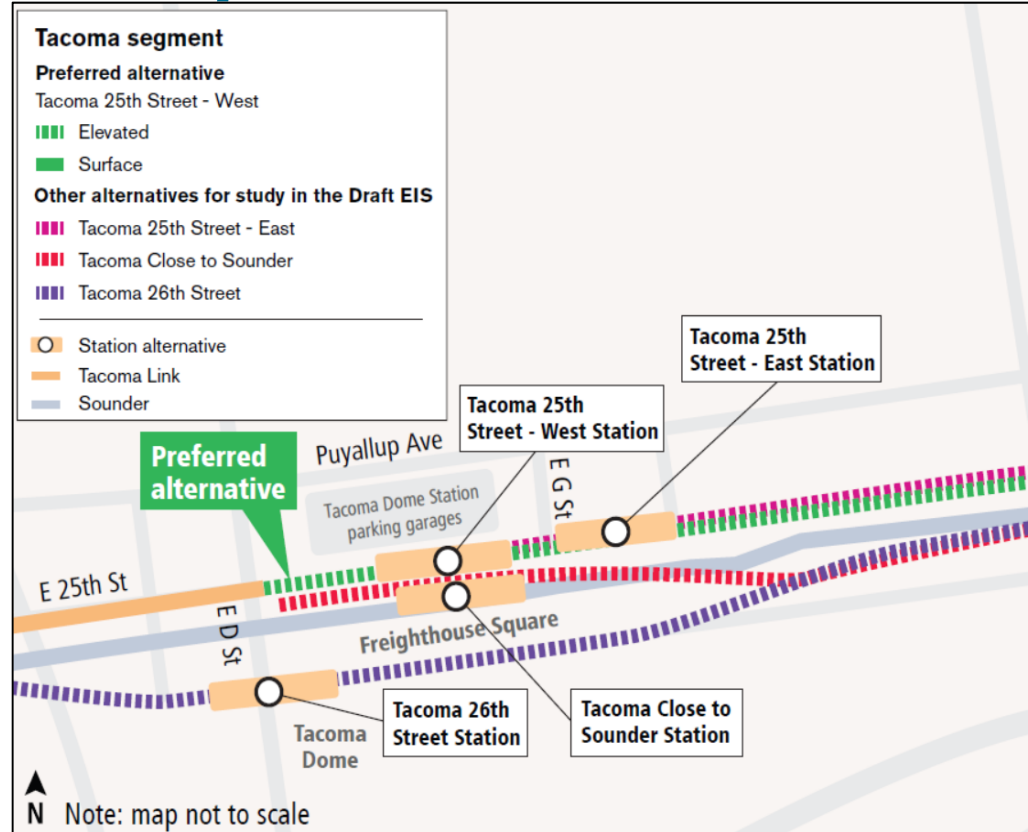
Tacoma Dome Station: Overview

- Four station location alternatives
- TD 26th Station - shifted to span East D St
- Pedestrian bridge options for all station alternatives
- Non-motorized and transit access to station



Close to Sounder Station option

- Developed alignment and station alternative at Board's direction
- Alignment runs next to Sounder Corridor
- Requires removing most of Freighthouse Sq. Possible preservation of area west of Sounder & Amtrak
- Evaluating opportunities for non-transit commercial uses under station



What is typically studied in an

EIS?



Transportation

- Ridership
- Transit
- Regional and local traffic
- Non-motorized facilities and modes
- Freight movement
- Marine navigation
- Aviation
- Construction traffic

Natural Environment

- Air quality and greenhouse gas emissions
- Ecosystems and fish and wildlife habitat
- Water resources
- Geology and soils

Built Environment

- Noise and vibration
- Economic effects
- Visual resources
- Parks resources
- Land use
- Acquisitions, displacements and relocations
- Energy use
- Hazardous materials
- Public services and utilities
- Impacts on low income and minority populations
- Cultural, historic and archaeological resources
- Construction impacts

TDLE Environmental Review timeline*

Public participation throughout

2019

July 2019

ST Board & FTA identified alternatives to study in EIS

2020 / 2021

Spring 2021

Draft EIS issued; public comment period

Summer 2021

ST Board confirms or revises Preferred Alternative

2022

Spring/Summer 2022

Final EIS issued
Summer 2022
ST Board selects project to be built
FTA issues record of decision (ROD)

***Pre-COVID-19 schedule**

Upcoming Fall Outreach

- Station site design open house
 - Design refinements
 - Transit & non-motorized station access
- Phone follow-ups
- Briefings to community groups and property owners



TOD Advisory Group Recommendations

1. Design Principles

2. Tacoma Dome Station Area

- Close to Sounder be the Preferred Alternative
- Condition: Area under tracks be developed with retail and pedestrian-oriented uses

3. East Tacoma Station Area

4. Future Considerations

Thank you.



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