

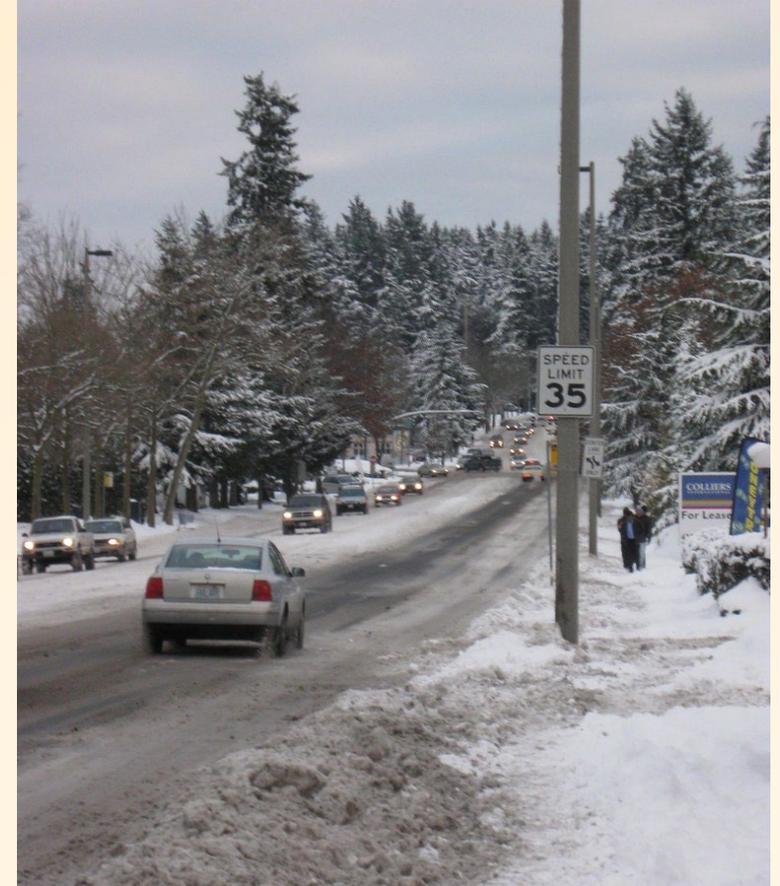
Keeping up with rider alerts

How to use rider alerts to keep up with all the public transportation agencies in the Puget Sound region

Winter 2024

By the end of this training...

- Get ready for winter weather
- Identify different public transit agencies and services
- Learn how to sign up for rider alerts



Pro tips for winter weather

- Plan for snow reroutes and potential travel alternatives
- Check [statewide pass conditions](#) online before heading out
- Drive slower speeds, slower acceleration, leave extra space between vehicles, allow more time and space to stop
- Slow down when approaching intersections, offramps, bridges, or shady spots
- Keep [emergency supplies](#) in your trunk
- **Ride transit and sign up for rider alerts!**



Snow routes

- When inclement weather arrives, snow routes will be determined by route. This means that one route may be on a snow route while others are not.
- Some routes may have 2 snow route assignments, as severe weather often hits one area but not the other.
- Once declared, a snow route will remain in effect for at least four hours.



Everett Transit

- Operates 10 routes within the city of Everett
 - Route 18 extends to Mukilteo to pick up riders from Mukilteo Ferry
- Accepts ORCA card for payment
- Youth ride free, paratransit services available
- Everett Station serves as a transit HUB and a park-and-ride



Everett Transit

- Rider alerts
 - Sign in with your email or phone to manage subscriptions
 - Receive updates on other transit topics
- Everett Transit Arrivals (ETA) – Call or text your bus stop number to **425-312-6329**
- Snow routes



Community Transit

- Operates 51 routes throughout Snohomish County
 - Including Swift bus rapid transit
 - Including Zip: on-demand shared ride service in Alderwood
- Accepts ORCA card for payment
- Youth ride free, paratransit services available
- 29 park & rides available throughout county



Community Transit

- Rider alerts
 - Sign in with email or phone to manage subscriptions
 - Receive updates on other transit topics
- Real-time alerts also on Twitter
[@MyCommTransBus](#)
- Find My Bus web application for real-time bus info
- Snow schedules



Sound Transit

- Operates the Link light rail, Sounder trains (commuter rail), and ST Express buses (commuter bus)
- Accepts ORCA card for payment
- Youth ride free, paratransit services available (light rail)
- Park-and-ride lots in Snohomish County, King County, and Pierce County



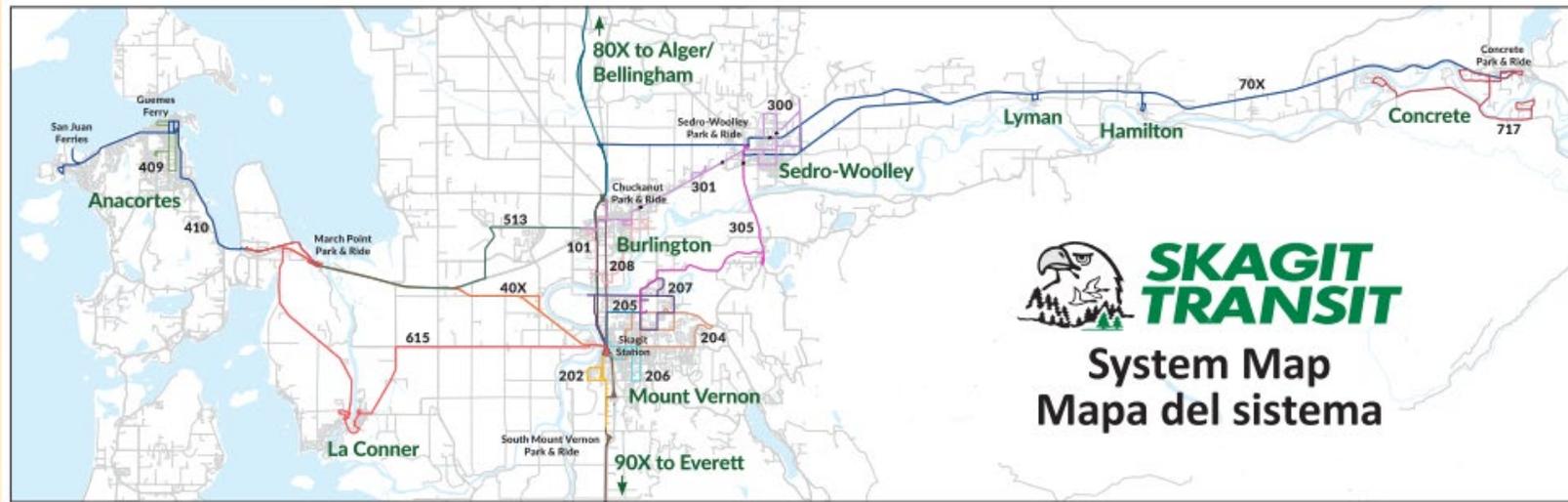
Sound Transit

- Rider alerts
 - Sign in with your email or phone to manage subscriptions
 - Receive updates on other transit topics
- Real-time alerts also on Twitter @Alerts_ST
- Snow routes



Skagit Transit

- Operates 19 fixed routes throughout Skagit County
- Uses Umo Mobile Fares App (not ORCA)
- Youth ride free, paratransit services available



Skagit Transit

- Rider alerts
 - Active alerts updated on website
- Real-time alerts also on Facebook at Skagit Transit
- Text your route and stop number to **360-399-2552** to get real-time departure times for any stop
- Snow routes



Island Transit

- Operates 16 routes on Whidbey Island and 5 routes on Camano Island
- Recently rebranded
- Fare-free bus system
- Paratransit services available



Island Transit

- Rider alerts
 - Sign in with email or phone to manage subscriptions
- Receive updates on other transit topics



King County Metro Transit

- Operates metro routes across 5 major areas of King County, 7 RapidRide lines, Seattle Streetcar and Water Taxi
 - Including [Metro Flex](#) on-demand transit service in Juanita, Kent, Issaquah/Sammamish, Othello, Rainer Beach/Skyway, Renton Highlands, and Tukwila
- Accepts ORCA card for payment
- Youth ride free, paratransit services available



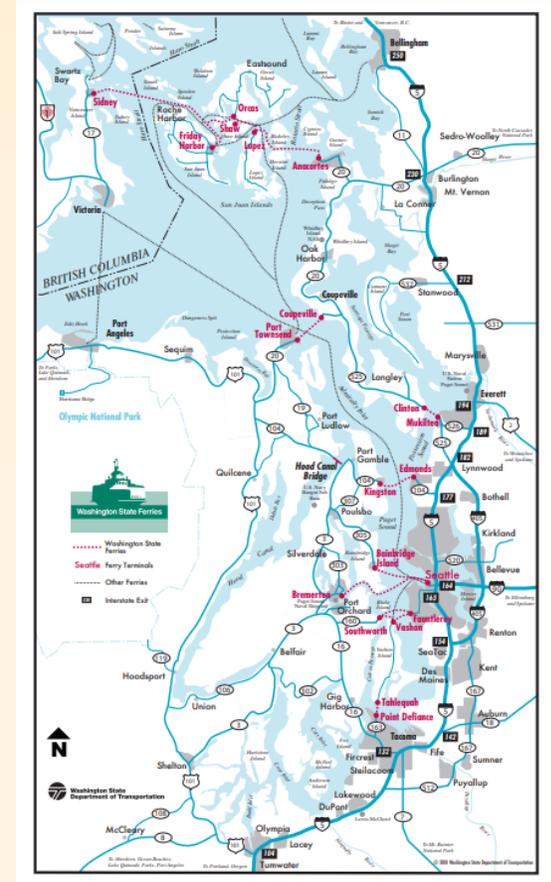
King County Metro Transit

- Rider alerts
 - Sign in with email or phone to manage subscriptions
- Real-time alerts also available on website
- Also, on Twitter @KCMetroAlerts
- Snow routes



Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)

- Manages major projects and statewide plans
- Monitors incidents, weather, construction, and maintenance occurring in Washington
- Operates 10 ferry routes



WSDOT - Traffic

- [WSDOT email alerts](#) for construction, traffic, and other news
- [Real time travel data](#)
- [WSDOT mobile app](#)
- Also, on Twitter [@WSDOT_traffic](#)



Washington State Ferries

- Alerts
 - Sign in with email or phone to manage subscriptions
- Also, on Twitter [@WSDOT_traffic](https://twitter.com/WSDOT_traffic)



ORCA

- [ORCA alerts](#) for ticket vending machines and autoload issues
- [ORCA news](#) – subscribe to the monthly newsletter at the bottom of the page



Transit Resources

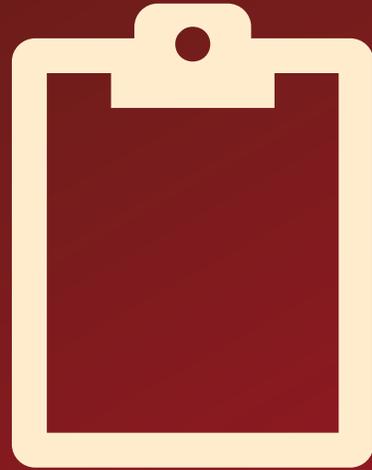
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Thank you!



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