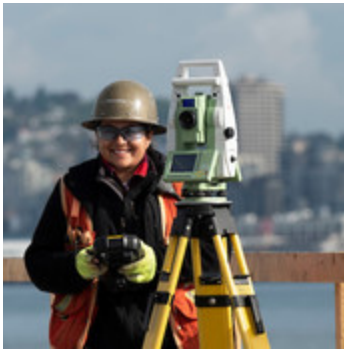




Diversity in Contracting

Inclusion Plans form meaningful partnerships



The Port of Seattle is helping to end economic inequity by creating meaningful opportunities for socially and economically disadvantaged businesses. In 2019, the Port's Diversity in Contracting Program implemented new improvements, including requiring an Inclusion Plan as part of the procurement process.

With Inclusion Plans now being factored into the overall evaluation of solicitations, it's important for both prospective Women and Minority Business Enterprises (WMBEs) and prime contractors to understand what is required in the Inclusion Plan and how it can help to forge meaningful

partnerships. [Keep reading →](#)

International Arrivals Facility

New International Corridor nearly doubles SEA's international-capable gates in 2021



International flights will soon be cleared for arrival at Concourse A with the [International Arrival Facility's](#) (IAF's) new International Corridor. Located along the west side of Concourse A, this elevated one-way corridor leads arriving international passengers at A Gates directly to the Grand Hall, for baggage claim and customs processing. This is a major element of the IAF that will allow SEA to operate 20 international-capable gates in 2021. For more inside looks and fun facts, read our [Five Fast Facts on the International Corridor](#).

Inside the spacious Grand Hall, new furniture has been delivered and installed for Customs & Border Protection, seven new baggage carousels are assembled, and restroom build out is nearing completion. There is a total of 96 toilets located across the IAF's 29 restroom suites (including nine family and 11 unisex single use restrooms), with amenities such as nursing suites, an adult changing table, and touchless faucets and dispensers.

Looking Ahead: New spaces like the Grand Hall and International Corridor require several activities to prepare both staff and facilities to ensure a successful opening. The Port's Operational Readiness, Activation, & Transition (ORAT) team will oversee IAF operational trials to validate new systems, equipment, and processes with small groups before opening.

North Satellite Modernization

Keeping the air clean amidst COVID concerns



Crews are improving the air quality at the [North Satellite](#) with a new and more robust heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system, a planned upgrade for this modernization project. At the heart of the system are five custom-engineered Air Handling Units (AHUs) built locally in Cheney, Washington. Their massive size required the AHUs to

be trucked in 27 separate sections and a 110-ton crane used to lift and place sections weighing up to 14,000 pounds into the North Satellite penthouse. Once the system is online, the AHUs will filter outside air and replace the inside air at a rate of approximately 20 air changes per hour.

Operational slowdowns at SEA allowed crews to re-sequence work and optimize construction windows, improving safety and production. With Gate N11 opening ahead of schedule, the North Satellite is now operating 10 gates and a portion of planned 2021 airfield pavement and panel rehabilitation work was completed this summer.

Looking Ahead: New restrooms located on the Satellite Train Station level will be open in October. They include the same touchless features and modern upgrades that ranked the North Satellite's concourse level restrooms as a finalist in the [2019 America's Best Restroom contest](#).

Sustainable Airport Master Plan

Update on SAMP Near-Term Projects environmental review



The Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP) Near-Term Projects environmental review schedule is delayed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The delay allows for more time to prepare effective public meetings that meet COVID-19 safety standards and includes a partial deferral of spending in 2020. The release of the first environmental review analysis, draft NEPA Environmental Assessment, and accompanying public outreach will now occur in the first quarter of 2021. The Port continues to refine the detailed schedule.

The master plan is a necessary step forward for the safe and efficient future of service at SEA. Once the environmental review is complete, which is expected in 2021, Commission authorization is required to initiate any individual project. [Learn more →](#)

Central Terminal

Infrastructure upgrades nearly complete

Baggage Handling Optimization

Phase 2 of construction now underway



HVAC commissioning is underway to verify installation and test, adjust, and balance the system for passenger comfort and equipment performance on the [Central Terminal Renovation project](#). New glass elevators are being inspected and will give travelers access to the future two-level Salty's and Brewtop Social. COVID-19 impacts dramatically reduced dining and retail activity and presented unanticipated challenges for the overall project.

FlyHealthy@SEA

New cleaning technology



As the seasons change this month, SEA is preparing for the fall and winter by doubling down on disinfecting. Cleaning is one of the greatest areas of emphasis as part of FlyHealthy@SEA, the airport's action plan to ensure the health and well-being of travelers and airport workers. Find out how we're continuing to add new technology and better solutions for cleaning.

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Phase two of the [Baggage Handling System Optimization program](#) has started with demolition of the C1 conveyor system to further expand the centralized baggage screening area. 3D scanning inside the bagwell is also underway to capture detailed data of the work area and support construction coordination. Lower baggage volumes are providing opportunities for the project team and contractor to resequence plans to accelerate the overall program.

2021 Budget & CIP

Community budget briefings



Learn about the Port's proposed 2021 budget, tax levy uses, and 2021-2025 capital investment plan at one of two upcoming virtual community presentations on October 8 (4:00 – 5:00 p.m.) and October 22 (4:00 – 5:00 p.m.). Port leaders will share the impact of COVID-19 on the Port and its related industries and our strategy to use the 2021 budget and capital development program to lead an equitable recovery. [Register today →](#)

Learn About Upcoming Projects

[PortGen workshops](#) give small, women- and minority-owned, and disadvantaged businesses interested in doing work at the airport an opportunity to hear from Port staff, learn about new projects, and network. Check out what's coming up and past presentations you may have missed.

- 07/30 – [Tabor 100 Presents: Port Informational Session Part 1](#)

- 09/09 – [Importance of DBE Participation and Reporting](#)
- 09/18 – [Tabor 100 Presents: Port Informational Session Part 2](#)



September 25th was national #SteelDay!

We're celebrating all the structural steel erected this year – from the seismic hug on the North Satellite Modernization project (right) to the steel framing for the new IAF International Corridor (left).

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