

WSDOT COVID-19 Impacts House Transportation Committee

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Construction Timeline



- March 23 Governor announced Stay Home Stay Healthy Proclamation
- March 26 WSDOT directed contractors to suspend work (approximately 65 projects)
- April 7Governor's Office convened the Construction Restart Roundtable seekingrecommendations on safely restarting all suspended Washington construction
- April 24 Governor announced the restart of Phase 1 low risk construction
- May 15 Governor approves Phase 2 activities in authorized counties
- June 11 All WSDOT projects have restarted construction activities

Contract Negotiation



WSDOT will pay for:

 Direct costs during suspension including mobilization, stand-by, on-site costs and site maintenance

WSDOT will not pay for:

- Delay and Inefficiencies caused by the Pandemic
- Home Office Overhead
- Profit

WSDOT will negotiate payment for:

- COVID-19 Sanitation and Safety mutual benefit to both parties
- Schedule Recovery when it is a benefit to the public

WSDOT Financial Impact:

- 65 projects suspended
- Contract value of suspended projects approx. \$2.3 billion
- Cost to settle suspensions requires project by project negotiation

Effects of the pandemic



Effects on agency services & the delivery of projects varies widely

- Projects resumed between May and June
 - The impact to project schedules of this one-two month suspension will vary by project
- Maintenance activities that were suspended have resumed, some activities are still impacted
- Focus on safety has and will continue to inform decisions, this has ensured projects and work stay underway during the pandemic

Questions?



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