

Keeping Tukwila Connected: Your Guide to the 2026 FIFA World Cup Construction Pause

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Tukwila is preparing to support the Seattle area for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, and we are excited to welcome increased regional activity during this global event. To help ensure safe, efficient travel and a positive experience for residents, businesses, and visitors, the City will implement a temporary pause on construction activities in key public areas. This pause will help keep streets, sidewalks, and public spaces clear and accessible throughout the World Cup period.

What You Need to Know

Construction activities will be paused in high-traffic areas to reduce congestion and support tourism and mobility during the 2026 FIFA World Cup. This coordinated effort helps ensure smooth travel, safety, and accessibility for all road users while the region plans to host tens of thousands of visitors.

Key Dates to Remember

Construction Pause Begins: June 8, 2026

Construction Pause Ends: July 7, 2026

Deadline to Clear Public Spaces: June 7, 2026

By the end of the workday on June 7, all construction equipment, materials, and temporary surface coverings, including steel plates, must be removed from City streets, sidewalks, trails, and other public rights-of-way. This ensures public spaces are fully accessible before World Cup activities begin.

This construction pause applies to public spaces located in key emphasis areas as shown on the attached map.

- Southcenter Business District (Green River to I-5, south of I-405 to S 180th St)
- Tukwila International Boulevard transit corridor (Sound Transit light rail station to S 140th St)
- West Valley Highway transit pedestrian corridor (Strander Blvd to Southcenter Blvd/Grady Way Intersection)
- Interurban Ave S (Between I-405 and Fort Dent Way)

While construction may continue on private property or in areas outside of the designated pause zones, the City encourages property owners to consider pausing work in other high visibility areas to ensure access to businesses and better flow of traffic.

Project teams should plan construction schedules accordingly to avoid delays.

Why Are We Doing This?

The City's goal is to ensure Tukwila remains safe, accessible, and welcoming for visitors and residents during the World Cup. The construction pause supports this by:

- **Improving Safety:** Clear, unobstructed sidewalks and streets make it easier for people walking, riding, and driving to move around safely.
- **Reducing Congestion:** Minimizing construction activity in high traffic corridors helps keep vehicles flowing during a time of increased travel.
- **Supporting Local Businesses:** Open and clear streets help customers reach nearby shops, restaurants, and services easier.
- **Showcasing Tukwila:** Clean, well maintained public spaces create a positive experience and reflect the best of our community.



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