



# Route 218 Current and Proposed Routing

- - - Route 218 - Current peak-only route
- Route 218 - Proposed peak-only route
- - - East Link line & station
- P** Permanent Park&Ride
- Half-mile walk buffer around East Link station
- Equity Priority Area

- Selected Community Assets
- College
  - High School
  - Community Center/Senior Center
  - Emergency Shelter/Food Bank
  - Library
  - Hospital
  - Supported Housing (50+ units)

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## East Link Connections Project

### Revised Route 218

#### Neighborhoods Served:

- Issaquah Highlands Park and Ride, Eastgate, Mercer Island

#### Summary of Proposed Changes:

- Route 218 re-oriens to terminate at the Mercer Island Link Station

#### Why is this change being proposed?

- To provide direct connections to Link light rail station for Issaquah
- Increase reliability of trips from Issaquah to downtown Seattle
- New Route 215, revised Routes 269 and 218 combine to provide bus service between Issaquah Highlands and Mercer Island Station every 5 minutes during the peak

#### How often the bus would come (in minutes):

|                 | Weekday  |  |   | Saturday  |   | Sunday  |   |
|-----------------|--|--|---|---|---|---|---|
|                 | Peak<br><a href="#">5-9 a.m. and</a><br><a href="#">3-7 p.m.</a> | Midday<br><a href="#">9 a.m. -</a><br><a href="#">3 p.m.</a> | Night<br><a href="#">7 p.m. -</a><br><a href="#">5 a.m.</a> | Daytime<br><a href="#">5 a.m. - 7</a><br><a href="#">p.m.</a> | Night<br><a href="#">7 p.m. -</a><br><a href="#">5 a.m.</a> | Daytime<br><a href="#">5 a.m. - 7</a><br><a href="#">p.m.</a> | Night<br><a href="#">7 p.m. -</a><br><a href="#">5 a.m.</a> |
| <b>Current</b>  | 6 - 40   | -  | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| <b>Proposed</b> | 15   | -  | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |

#### Hours of Service

|                 | Weekday   | Saturday | Sunday |
|-----------------|---|----------|--------|
| <b>Current</b>  | 5:35 a.m. - 9:20 a.m.;<br>2:35 p.m. - 4:35 p.m. | -        | -      |
| <b>Proposed</b> | 5:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.;<br>4:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. | -        | -      |

#### How does this respond to feedback Metro received in Phase 1?

- It provides increased frequency during traditional peak commute hours

\*Frequent- The bus comes every 15 minutes or less during peak periods and every 30 minutes or less during off-peak periods.

\*Local- All-day bus service that does not meet the standard for frequent.

\*Peak-only – The bus comes only 5-9 a.m. and 3-7 p.m. These are the times of day Metro and Sound Transit sees the most riders, usually regular commuting times, Monday through Friday.