



Phase 3: Route 269 Current and Proposed Routing

- Route 269 - Current local route
- Route 269 - Proposed local route

--- East Link line & station

■ Transit Center P Permanent Park&Ride

Half-mile walk buffer around East Link station Equity Priority Area

Selected Community Assets

- 🎓 College 🎓 High School 📖 Library
- 👤 Community Center/Senior Center
- 🚒 Emergency Shelter/Food Bank 🏥 Hospital
- 🏠 Supported Housing (50+ units)



East Link Connections Project

Revised Local Route 269 – Phase 3

Neighborhoods Served:

- Redmond, Sahalee, Pine Lake, Sammamish, Issaquah Highlands Park and Ride, Eastgate, Mercer Island Station

Summary of Proposed Changes:

- Extends service on I-90 to Mercer Island Link Station.
- Replaces service to Issaquah Transit Center by new Routes 203 and revised ST Express Route 554.
- Reorients Northern terminal to SE Redmond Link Station.

Why is this change being proposed?

- To provide direct connections to Link light rail from Issaquah and Sammamish.
- New Route 215, revised Routes 269 and 218 combine to provide a bus every 5 minutes during the peak hours (6-9 a.m. and 3-7 p.m.) between Issaquah Highlands and Mercer Island Station.

How often the bus would come (in minutes):

	Weekday			Saturday		Sunday	
	Peak 6-9 a.m. and 3-7 p.m.	Midday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Night 7 p.m. - 5 a.m.	Daytime 5 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Night 7 p.m. - 5 a.m.	Daytime 5 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Night 7 p.m. - 5 a.m.
Current	20-30	30	40	30	-	-	-
Proposed	15	30	30	30	-	30	-

Hours of Service:

	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Current	6:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.	8:35 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.	-
Proposed	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	8:35 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.	8:35 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.

How does this respond to feedback Metro received in Phase 1 and 2?

- Wider span of service in non-peak hours and weekends.
- It provides increased frequency at traditional peak commute hours.

- In Phase 3, revises routing to access I-90 via Highlands Drive instead of through North Issaquah. The revised routing will speed up route travel time.
- The revised Route 203 provides service through the North Issaquah corridor.

* 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.