



## **Marine advisory: temporary changes coming to SR 513 Montlake Bridge openings, Aug. 9 to Sept. 3**

### **Project description**

This summer and fall, contractor crews working for WSDOT will replace the more than 20-year-old worn grid deck on the SR 513 Montlake Bridge in Seattle.

### **Changes for boats requiring a bridge opening**

With crews and equipment staged on the bridge, the following changes for boaters that require a bridge opening will be in place:

- Single-leaf openings for boat traffic from Aug. 9 to Sept. 3. This means only one side of the bridge will open for boat traffic.
- Double-leaf openings require 24-hour notice to the bridge operator: (206) 720-3048, or VHF-FM Channel 13.

Signage around the bridge will indicate which leaf will open. These signs may change without prior notice. These requirements may need to be implemented during weekends from Sept. 10 to Oct. 31 in order to complete the work.

### **Clearance information (See reverse side for more)**

Based on the average water level of Lake Washington, the following clearances are expected for boaters passing through the Montlake Cut:

- **With both sides down:** 30 feet of vertical navigation clearance, and 46 feet of vertical clearance throughout the center 60 feet of the bridge.
- **Single-leaf (one side raised):** horizontal navigation clearance of 64.5 feet.
- **Double-leaf (both sides raised):** horizontal navigation clearance of 129 feet.

### **Safety in the Montlake Cut**

With bridge openings reduced to a single leaf, boaters may notice queuing and waits on either side of the bridge. We urge all boaters to travel at a reduced speed, avoid passing others going the same direction and keep a safe distance from other boats.

### **Stay informed**

- Check the project website: [bit.ly/MontlakeBridge2021](https://bit.ly/MontlakeBridge2021)
- View the United States Coast Guard's Notice to Mariners: [www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lnms/lnm13142021.pdf](https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lnms/lnm13142021.pdf)

### **Contact information**

#### Bridge operator

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The graphic below shows an example of a single-leaf opening and bridge clearance heights based on the average water level of Lake Washington. For more information, visit [bit.ly/MontlakeBridge2021](http://bit.ly/MontlakeBridge2021).

