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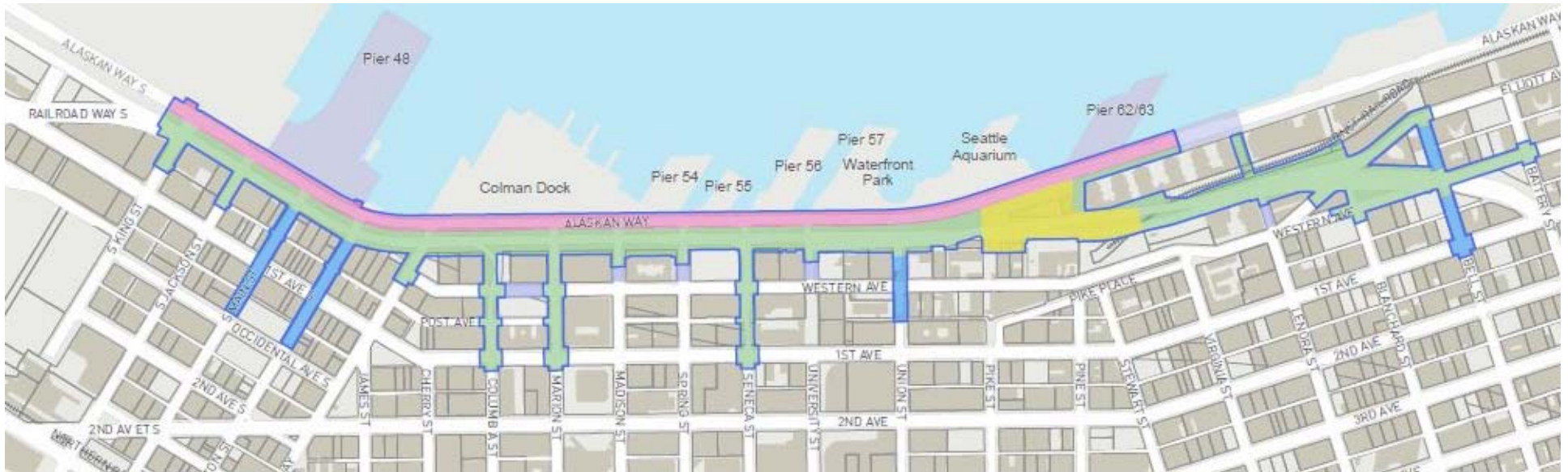
ALLIANCE FOR PIONEER SQUARE

UPCOMING DEIS RELEASE





- Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Alaskan Way, Promenade and Overlook Walk was released on **Monday, June 29**
 - 45-day public comment period (June 29 – August 12)
 - Multiple tools to notify public of DEIS release
 - Public hearing (July 22, City Hall)
 - Builds on public engagement from EIS scoping and comment period in fall 2013
- Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) by end of 2015/early 2016

PROJECT AREA EVALUATED IN DEIS



Action Alternative

-  Project Footprint
-  Potential Construction Staging Area

AWPOW Projects

-  Main Corridor
-  Promenade
-  Overlook Walk
-  East-West Connections

-  Parcel Boundary
-  Building Footprint

PUBLIC COMMENTS



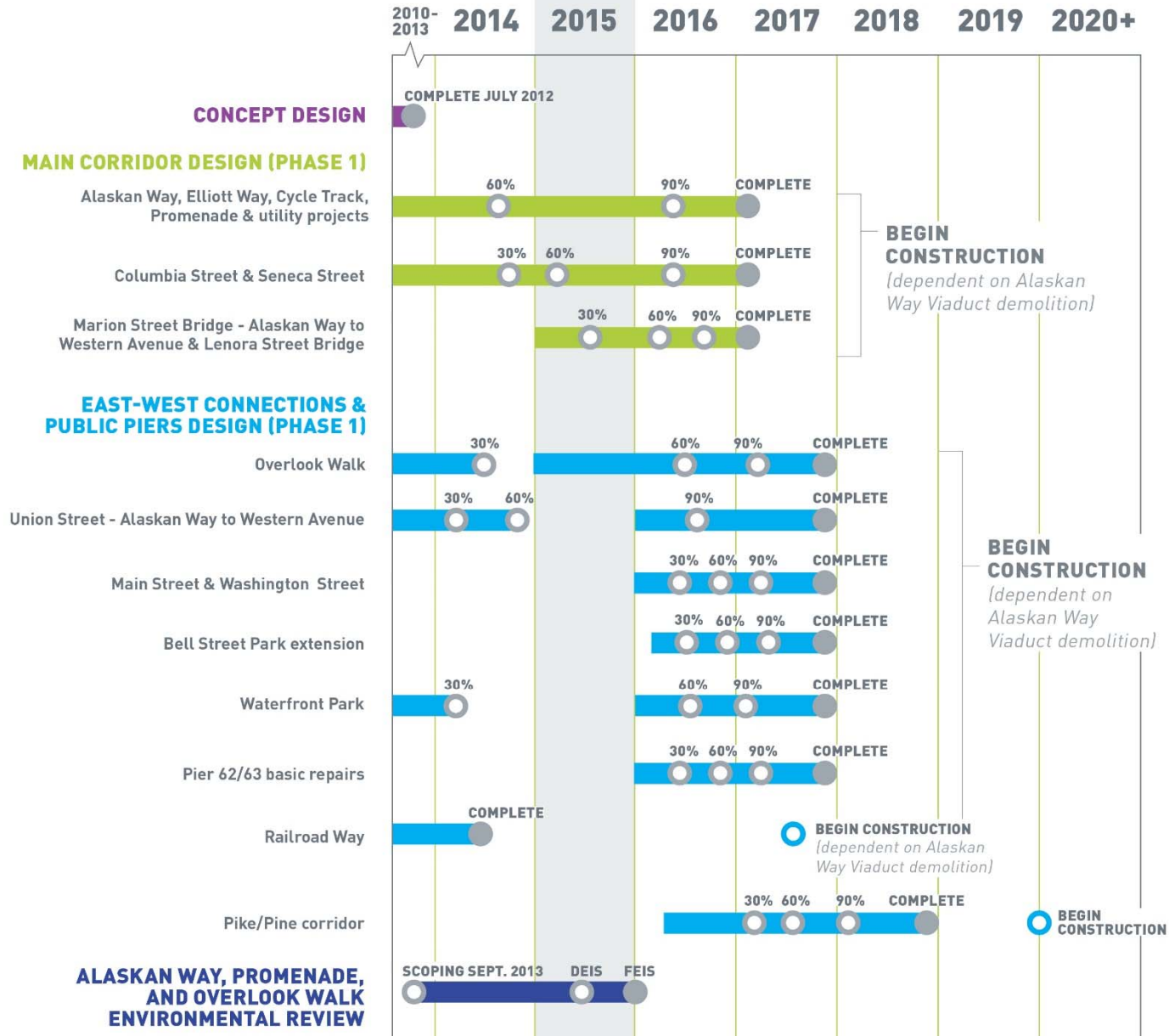
- Public comments must be submitted via official channels
- Multiple ways to submit comments makes it easy:
 - Comment online at waterfrontseattle.org
 - Email comments to DEIS@waterfrontseattle.org
 - Mail written comments to City:
 - AWPOW- Draft EIS Comments
 - Mark Mazzola, Environmental Manager
 - Seattle Department of Transportation
 - PO Box 34996, Seattle, WA 98124-4996
 - Comment at the July 22 public meeting via court reporter or written comment form

UPCOMING DEIS MILESTONES



- DEIS release – June 29
- Public comment period – June 29 to August 12
- DEIS public meeting – July 22
- Provide detailed update on DEIS content to City Council Select Committee – July 27

PROJECT SCHEDULE



DRAFT EIS CONTENT



- **AWPOW (Action Alternative):** evaluates potential construction and operation impacts; discusses mitigation strategies
- **No Action Alternative:** baseline to compare potential AWPOW impacts
- Compared across key topics:
 - Transportation
 - Parking
 - Public services & utilities
 - Land Use
 - Noise
 - Aesthetics
 - Water quality
 - Air quality
 - Vegetation and wildlife
 - Historic resources
 - Archeological resources
 - Hazardous materials
 - Energy resources

TRANSPORTATION



IMPACTS OF AWPOW:

- Traffic congestion during construction, including Alaskan Way and east-west streets
- Temporary closure of Alaskan Way near Pine Street is expected
- After AWPOW completion, improved/additional facilities for people driving, taking transit, riding a bicycle or walking

HOW WE COULD ADDRESS THESE IMPACTS:

- Keep roads mostly open during construction and schedule closures at off-peak hours
- Maintain business access
- Develop Traffic Control Plan to reduce traffic impacts for all modes

PARKING



IMPACTS OF AWPOW:

- Construction activities will temporarily impact on-street parking
- Construction may temporarily block some access routes or loading zones for intermittent time periods
- Permanent removal of 673 parking spaces (approximately 6% of all on- and off-street parking supply in the project area)

HOW WE COULD ADDRESS THESE IMPACTS:

- Maintain parking to extent feasible during construction in order to help ensure convenient parking for waterfront businesses
- Enforce short-term parking limits; use e-Park
- Add approximately 250 new permanent parking stalls



Questions?