

# Chapter 2 Coordination and Comments

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## **1 What types of public, stakeholder, and agency coordination have been conducted?**

Since the Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement Program began in 2001, the public and others have been provided with multiple opportunities to learn about and be involved in the program. Our public involvement efforts associated with the larger program are documented in the 2004 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and 2006 Supplemental Draft EIS.

The Notice of Availability and Notice of EA Hearings for the S. Holgate Street to S. King Street Viaduct Replacement Project were published in *The Seattle Times* on June 25, 2008. The EA was published on June 27, 2008.

A total of 3,060 postcards were mailed to announce the availability of the EA and invite people to attend the public hearings and comment on the EA. Postcards were sent to the 1,800 addresses in the Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement Program's database and all 1,260 addresses in the 98134 zip code.

An article about the release of the EA and the public hearings was also included in the monthly email update for the Program on June 18, 2008. This update was sent to approximately 4,300 email addresses.

Public hearings were held for the project using an open house format on:

- July 10, 2008, at Town Hall in downtown Seattle.
- July 15, 2008, at Madison Middle School in West Seattle.

Approximately 60 people attended the public meetings. Thirty-three items were submitted during the comment period from June 27 to August 11, 2008. These items include:

- Four letters from agencies.
- Four letters from businesses.
- Six testimonies given at the public hearings.
- Nineteen items submitted by individuals via email or comment forms.

Responses to these comments are provided in Attachment 5.