



# Building the World's Largest Bored Tunnel

**David Sowers, Engineering Manager  
WSDOT**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 at NOON in BB 125**  
- lunch provided -

Join us at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 13 for an exciting and informative presentation by David Sowers, engineering manager for the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). Dave will take us inside the five-story-tall machine that's digging the SR 99 tunnel beneath downtown Seattle. He'll talk about what it's like to work with a design-build contractor, multiple partner agencies and stakeholders as WSDOT builds one of the biggest and most-anticipated projects in state history.



David Sowers is an Engineering Manager with the Washington State Department of Transportation and currently serves in a number of roles supporting the Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Program (AWV). David's 17-year career has included roles as a Design Engineer at a local geotechnical consulting firm; Senior Geotechnical Engineer for WSDOT's Headquarters Geotechnical Division; and, Project Manager for Washington State Ferries, where he served as both design manager and construction resident engineer on a number of ferry terminal projects.

Most recently, David was WSDOT's resident engineer for the \$84 million SR-519 Intermodal Access Project, a highly complex Design-Build project. David manages and/or supports the following AWV Program areas: utilities, building protection/mitigation, construction instrumentation, geotechnical design, real estate, and local agency agreements. David holds Bachelors and Masters degrees in Civil Engineering from Michigan State University and Auburn University, respectively, and is a registered engineer in Washington State.



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