Construction is wrapping up for Phase One, an early phase of the Seattle Aquarium Ocean Pavilion. This early phase involved constructing the east wall and footings that the new Elliott Way will be built against, as the road heads up towards Belltown.

The new Ocean Pavilion will be a 50,000-sf structure located east of the existing Seattle Aquarium and at the base of the future Overlook Walk. The primary components will be large ecosystem exhibits with multiple viewpoints, a number of smaller exhibits associated animal care spaces, and rooftop public open space with a public elevator and stairs.

Construction Update

Construction Progress
Construction in Phase One of the Ocean Pavilion project is mostly complete and we are working to wrap things up by the end of May. The east wall and footings are both complete as well as the belowgrade waterproofing allowing backfill against the wall in preparation for the future shift of Alaskan/ Elliot Way further east.

Sidewalk closure
Sidewalk and bike lane closures on the east side of the Alaskan Way running along construction site from Pike Street to Pine Street during working hours. Upon demobilization at the end of May, the sidewalk will remain open.

There is the ongoing potential for traffic inconveniences due to material deliveries, dump truck and concrete pump truck use. Be on the lookout for flaggers directing traffic. This will cease with our demobilization at the end of May as well.

COVID Guidelines Project Status
The project is strictly following the Governor’s Phase Three safety plan, cleanliness and distancing protocols.

Upcoming Work
May: During the month of May we will be building a concrete lid over the northeast area of the site. Utility potholing in Alaskan Way will occur in mid to late May, with northbound and southbound traffic temporarily narrowed for approx. one week. At the end of May, we will be demobilizing.
Summer: Most of our equipment will be removed from the site. Sidewalk will be open at all times.
Fall: We are planning on mobilizing back to the site in the Fall of 2021 for the start of Phase Two.
Additional Information

- There will be signs notifying of sidewalk closures at each end of the site where affected
  - Only during working hours, pedestrian traffic will be directed to west side, during the summer the sidewalk will be open at all times
- A flagger will be present on site to help direct trucks on and off the road to reduce effect on traffic
- The following image shows a rendering of anticipated Phase one work as well as how Turner continues to ensure the safety of its employees and the public

Construction Progress Photos

*East facing panoramic view of the site including the east wall and the interior walls*