Regional economic and population growth means that more people are traveling through Seattle-Tacoma International Airport than ever before. We’re building to meet demand while improving the passenger experience, expanding economic opportunity, and emphasizing sustainability.

**North Satellite Modernization Project**

Four new concessionaires are now open in the 201,000 square foot expansion of the North Satellite Modernization Project: Bambuza Vietnamese Kitchen, Caffe D’arte, and Skillet Diner, and The New Stand. These updates provide passengers with more choices and amenities.

Five new gates opened in January during the first part of expansion phase. The gates allowed construction to take place in stages so passengers can continue to use the facility during the renovation.

**Looking ahead:** The grand opening of the expansion is set for late June and will include a new upper level mezzanine, additional gates, and a flagship Alaska Airlines lounge.

**Central Terminal Renovation**

The Port’s Diversity in Contracting program works to level the playing field for socially and economically disadvantaged businesses who contract with the Port. Women and minority-owned business can learn about and participate in Port contracts:

1. Sign up for the [Diversity in Contracting email list](#).
2. Learn how to do business with the Port [here](#).
3. Attend a [PortGen Workshop](#).
4. Join the Port’s database of vendors who are interested in doing business with the Port [here](#).
5. Watch [videos](#) explaining how the Port makes purchases and hires contractors and consultants.
The south side of the nearly $17 million renovated Central Terminal reopened in April, restoring airfield views via the iconic glass wall and opening service from five new eateries: Lucky Louie Fish Shack™, Evergreens Salad, Pallino Pasteria, Pei Wei Asian Kitchen, and Koi Shi Sushi Bento. The space also features new seating, charging stations, and ADA accessibility improvements.

**Looking ahead:** Phase Two construction is continuing on the north side of the Central Terminal and will open in Q2 2020. When complete, customers will enjoy a second level on both sides and 10,000 square feet of restaurants, including Salty’s at the SEA and BrewTop Social.

**International Arrivals Facility**

Construction on the new **International Arrivals Facility** is moving rapidly and the skin of the building (the windows and outside surfaces) is nearly complete. On the airfield side, the two towers supporting the aerial walkway have risen up on either side of the taxiway between the South Satellite and the A Concourse. Support structures, called “V piers” (due to their shape) are being built on each tower and the middle section of that bridge is currently under construction.

The completed facility will significantly improve the arrival process for international passengers without adding new gates.

**Looking ahead:** When the middle section of the bridge construction is complete, the 85-foot high aerial walkway will be moved during the night along a closed runway to the south end and lifted up 85 feet between the two towers above the taxiway.

**Baggage Optimization Project**

Beneath our feet, 10 miles of conveyors using six separate baggage systems are currently being replaced by one centralized baggage system. Multiple new conveyors, along with their motors, and screening devices have been installed for the central part of the system. These updates are taking place while continuing to serve airlines and travelers in the same space.

**The Baggage Optimization Project** replaces the aging conveyor system now in place and maximizes outbound baggage capacity within the current footprint, helping meet increased passenger demand. The new centralized system will allow outbound bags from any ticket counter to be sent to any gate while saving energy and ensuring bags are safe to load on the aircraft.

**Looking ahead:** The first phase of the three phases is expected to be tested for operation by the end of this year. Advertising for bids for Phase 2 construction will begin in July. Phase 2 is scheduled to open in 2022 with the final phase in 2025.
Click Play on the above video to learn more about the project from Port of Seattle Project Manager Ed Weitz.

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