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Wallingford

Project Background

Ship Canal

WATER QUALITY PROJECT

Seattle Public Utilities and King County Wastewater Treatment Division are building an underground storage tunnel to significantly reduce the amount of polluted stormwater and sewage that flows into the Lake Washington Ship Canal, Salmon Bay and Lake Union from our sewer system during storms.

The tunnel is 2.7-miles long, running from Ballard to Wallingford, and approximately 18-ft, 10-in wide. It will temporarily hold more than 29 million gallons of sewage and stormwater during heavy rain. When the storm passes, the stored sewage and stormwater will be sent to King County's West Point Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Wallingford Site Elements

In August 2020, Seattle Public Utilities and King County will begin work in Wallingford for the Ship Canal Water Quality Project. Work will include:

- Building the new storage tunnel
- Constructing a small building to house electrical equipment near 3500 Interlake Ave N
- Removing tiebacks underneath N 35th St
- Building a vertical drop shaft to collect flows and send them to the tunnel
- Installing pipes along Stone Way N and N 35th St to connect the the existing combined sewer system overflow pipe to the new shaft
- New underground structures to house mechanical and electrical equipment, and odor control
- Restoration of impacted roadways



King County

What to expect during construction

- Construction-related noise, traffic, dust, and vibrations
- Staging of equipment and construction vehicles at the project site at 3500 Interlake Avenue N
- Sidewalk closure of the east side of Interlake Ave N
- Single lane closures on N 35th St and Stone Way N for tieback removal and pipe installation
- Parking restrictions and roadway detours
- Northbound lane impacts on Interlake Ave N with flaggers present to direct traffic
- Removal of some trees in the project area

Wallingford Schedule





See below for more information about what will take place during construction. The following photos are examples from other construction sites.



Sound Wall Installation

In spring 2020, crews installed a sound wall and fencing at the project site.



Contaminated soil removal

In August 2020, crews will mobilize to the work area and prepare to begin work by removing contaminated soil.



Excavation & Construction

Crews will dig beneath the surface to prepare and build underground structures that will be used to access the storage tunnel for operations and maintenance.

Tieback removal & road restoration

Crews will remove tiebacks underneath N 35th St to allow the tunneling machine to pass through. Tiebacks are used to support underground retaining walls at large construction sites. These tiebacks are remaining from a previous project. Once tiebacks are removed, the road will be restored.



Odor Control Room Construction

Crews will build an odor control room near 3500 Interlake Ave N to manage odors created by the storage tunnel.



Tunneling Machine Arrival & Disassembly

Wallingford marks the eastern end of the tunnel, where the tunneling machine will complete its journey. Once it arrives, crews will diassemble it and remove it from the site.



Conveyance

Crews will build new pipes along Stone Way N and N 35th St to connect Ballard's existing sewer and stormwater overflow pipes to the storage tunnel. This work will entail lane closures and parking restrictions on N 35th St.



Site Restoration

Once construction is complete, all impacted areas will be restored to previous conditions. This will include the landscape restoration, repaving streets and sidewalks.

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