King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks Wastewater Treatment Division

53rd AVENUE PUMP STATION

December 2009

Upgrades to King County's 53rd Avenue Pump Station in West Seattle are nearing completion. The underground wastewater facility, located on the west side of Alki Avenue Southwest at 53rd Avenue Southwest, was built in 1953 and it has been more than 20 years since the last upgrade. The facility was in need of repairs, new equipment and more underground space.

Upgraded pump station nearing completion

While construction of the pump station is substantially complete, the final pump station testing and site restoration activities are still ongoing.

Crews are currently testing the new pump station to ensure that all of the new equipment is working properly. In addition, work has commenced on the restoration of the property and pavement surrounding the work area. Neighbors should anticipate noise, including jack hammering and heavy equipment, from demolition of the old pavement, curbs, and sidewalks. Weather permitting, new sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and pavement will follow. This work can be expected intermittently through December and January.

Construction milestones

- Utility and storm drain relocation Spring 2008
- Force main installation July 2008
- Sheet pile driving August 2008
- Pump station excavation Fall 2008
- Pump station construction Winter 2008
- Power to pump station Summer 2009
- Testing of upgraded facility Fall/Winter 2009
- Property restoration Winter 2009/2010

Thank you

King County thanks you for your continued patience during construction – a special thank you to the pump station neighbors and frequent users of the area.

Stay Informed

King County is committed to being a good neighbor during construction. The project team will continue to work with community members to minimize disruptions to the daily lives of those living and working near the construction zone.

For more information:

- Web site: http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wtd/Construction/Seattle/53rdAve.aspx
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