



King County



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BALLARD SIPHON Replacement Project

Department of Natural Resources and Parks • Wastewater Treatment Division

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Tunneling begins this week at south site

West Commodore Way re-opened in early October

*La construcción de un túnel comienza esta semana en el sitio del sur;
Comodoro de Oeste se volvió a abrir a principios de octubre*

Crews launched the tunnel boring machine from the south shaft at West Commodore Way and 24th Avenue West in Interbay this week.

The tunnel boring machine will excavate a 10-foot diameter tunnel for the new siphon pipe approximately 60 feet beneath the bottom of the ship canal. The tunnel will extend from Interbay approximately 2,000 feet across the canal to Ballard (see map below) where the boring machine will be extracted.

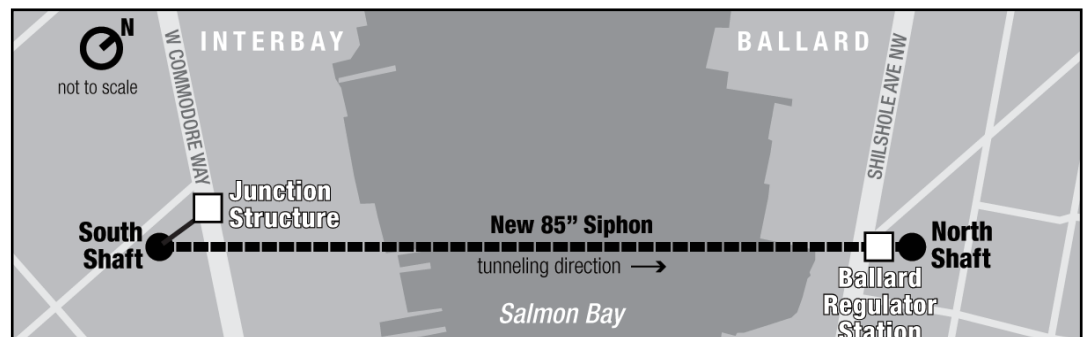
Tunneling is expected to take approximately three months.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE SOUTH SITE:

- High levels of activity involving equipment and trucks
- Increased truck traffic around West Commodore Way
- Possible work on Saturdays and/or longer work hours during the week



The cutting face of the tunnel boring machine before it was lowered into the south shaft.



West Commodore Way reopened October 6!

Crews finished work in West Commodore Way on the structure connecting the new siphon to the existing system. Crews repaired and re-opened West Commodore Way to traffic on October 6. Final road repairs will occur towards the end of the project.

King County thanks you for your patience!

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