



King County

Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Wastewater Treatment Division

BELLEVUE INFLUENT TRUNK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

PROJECT UPDATE: JANUARY 2011

Dear Bellevue Neighbor,

As you know, the King County Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) in coordination with the City of Bellevue will be upgrading the **Bellevue Influent Trunk (BIT) and Bellevue West Central Business District (West CBD)** sewer lines along 102nd Ave SE and SE 3rd Street. Sewer construction is currently still on schedule to begin late Spring 2011.

King County is committed to protecting public health and the environment by providing safe, reliable sewer service. Maintaining and upgrading our sewer infrastructure is critical to that goal. The existing sewer line, originally constructed in 1966, is corroded and has reach maximum capacity.

For your review, here is a summary of work completed in 2010 during the project design phase:

- Community Meeting, June 16
- SEPA/Environmental Review process, July 8 - 24
- Permitting
- Community Access Needs Survey
- Coordination activities with the City of Bellevue Utilities Department, Neighborhood Department, Fire Department, Post Office, School District, Allied Waste, King County Metro, and neighbors directly impacted
- Collection of Right of Entry agreements with property owners for lateral sewer connections
- Completed Tree Inventory and Protection Plan in accordance with City of Bellevue standards
- Completed engineering design and contract specifications
- Advertised construction contract: December

Thank you to those who attended the June 16 community meeting and/or completed the Community Needs Survey. Your input helped identify community concerns and influenced contract language to reduce construction impacts wherever possible. Of particular concern to community members were driveway, pedestrian, general and emergency services access, work hours, noise, tree protection, and traffic flow/control.

Key community concerns addressed in the contract language include:

- Driveways not in the line of primary construction activity (active trenching of sewer main) shall not be impeded:
 - a At all times from 6:00 pm to 7:00 am,
 - b For more than 10 consecutive minutes from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm.



- Driveways in front of which primary construction activity is occurring shall be accorded drivable access:
 - a At all times from 5:30 pm to 8:00 am,
 - b For 15 minute increments at 10:00 am and 3:00 pm,
 - c For a 30 minute increment at 12:00 noon.
- The Contractor must provide fire department access to all other properties as follows: provide for rapid pedestrian access for firefighting personnel at all times. Completely cover all open excavation suitable for vehicle access when construction site is unattended.
- Contractor shall maintain ADAAG, MUTCD compliant pedestrian access for resident, emergency, and general-service purposes at all times.
- Normal working hours shall be 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays.
 - **Please note:** these are the extent of the working hours allowed by the City of Bellevue; the contractor may work shorter hours.

Attached you will find the specific sections of the construction contract that contain all the detailed requirements regarding work hours, driveway access, traffic flow and control, and a number of other issues important to your community. If you are interested in viewing the entire construction contract documents, please visit the link below:

http://www.bxwa.com/bxwa_toc/pub/774/int683_bellevue_influent_trunk_42057/info.php

***Anticipated Sewer Construction Schedule 2011:**

*Schedule subject to change

- Bid Opening: January 18
- Contract Awarded: February
- Contractor given Notice to Proceed: March
- Construction Community Meeting: March
- Contractor mobilization/construction site preparation work
 - Set-up staging area/field office, SE 6th Street
 - Traffic Control
 - Installation of Dewatering wells
 - Installation of Settlement Monitors
- Sewer construction begins: May/June
- Sewer construction is expected to last through 2011 with final street and landscaping restoration activities occurring in the early part of 2012



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****Other agency projects:**

- Water Main Replacement on SE 3rd, City of Bellevue: February – March 2011
- Utility relocation, PSE/Comcast/Qwest: March – May 2011
- Private property development on west side of 102nd SE, Tulum Downs, schedule unknown

****In November, the City of Bellevue notified King County WTD of its plans to replace the water main along SE 3rd between Bellevue Way and 101st Ave SE prior to the start of sewer construction. That project may overlap with utility relocation work. For specific information regarding those projects and schedules please see specific agency contact information below.**

King County WTD and the City of Bellevue are committed to working closely with the community throughout construction to minimize disruptions whenever and wherever possible. We realize construction activities will bring temporary disruptions and inconvenience to daily life for residents in the project area. The coming months will require a high degree of patience and cooperation from everyone involved. We will continue to keep the community informed and provide opportunities to hear your questions, comments, and concerns.

For more information at any time:

- **City of Bellevue, Water Main Replacement Project**
 - Mark Dewey at (425) 452-6179, or mdewey@bellevuewa.gov
- **Utility Relocation Project (PSE, Qwest, Comcast)**
 - Kelly Purnell at (425) 457-0610, or kelly.purnell@pse.com
- **King County Bellevue Influent Trunk Sewer Upgrade Project**
 - Maryann Petrocelli at (206) 263-7321, or maryann.petrocelli@kingcounty.gov
 - Request to be added to the project mailing and/or email notification list
- **Visit the Bellevue Influent Trunk Project web site:**
 - <http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wtd/Construction/East/BellevueInfluentTrunk.aspx>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED PATIENCE AND COOPERATION!

Alternative Formats Available
206-263-7321 | 711 (TTY Relay)