



Matthews Park Pump Station Upgrade Project Construction Update

September 2005

Matthews Park Pump Station upgrades moving forward

King County protects public health and the environment by conveying and treating the region's wastewater. To ensure safe and reliable operations, the King County Wastewater Treatment Division is upgrading the Matthews Park Pump Station.

Major work is nearly done

Work outside the pump station, shown on the map, is nearly complete and includes:

- New electrical building
- New electrical transformer
- New underground fuel tank

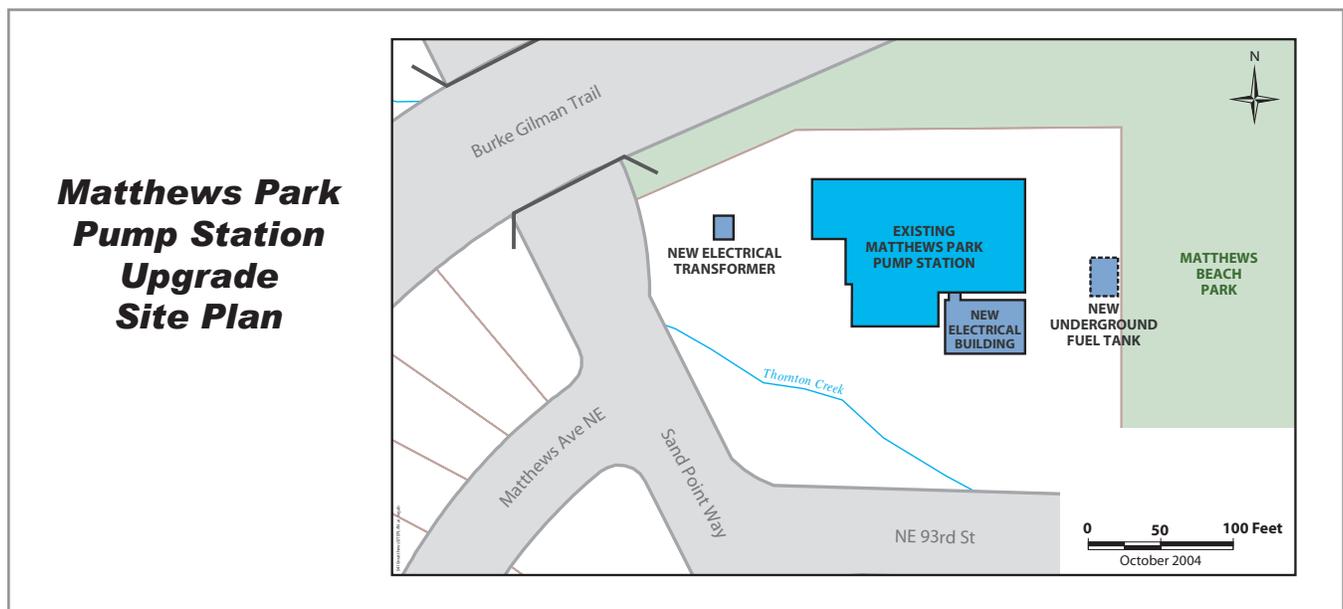
Inside the buildings, installation of new and upgraded electrical and mechanical equipment

is well underway. As a separate project, King County is also working on upgrades to the odor control system at the pump station.

Limited night work this fall

Most of the remaining work will be inside the building. During fall 2005, most construction noise and activity will continue to take place during weekdays between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

For several weeks in late September, work will occur inside the pump station at night, when wastewater flows are lowest. During the weekday evenings, workers will be in the pump room, located in the basement of the pump station. You may also notice some activity at the pump station as workers move pipe sections in and out of the building.



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Standby generator replacement and testing this fall

In fall 2005, King County will replace the standby electrical generator on the north end of the building. The standby generator, powered by diesel fuel, operates the pump station if there is a power outage. During installation, the county will use a temporary trailer-mounted generator. To minimize impacts, temporary sound barriers will be installed before the trailer-mounted standby generator is put into use. Once the new permanent generator is installed later this year, King County staff will test it periodically to make sure it is ready for use.

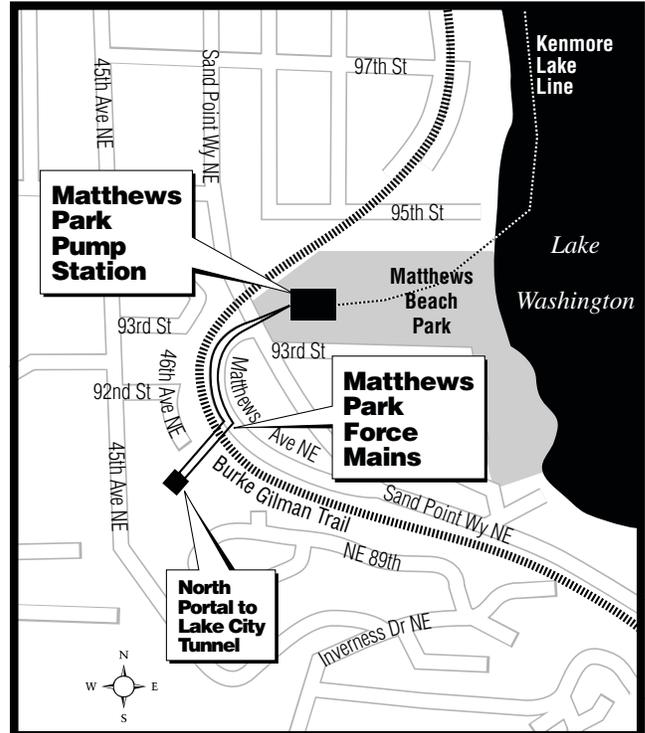
What will happen next?

King County will complete the installation and testing of pumps and other mechanical and electrical equipment. In spring 2006, King County will landscape the site with native plants. The project is scheduled to be completed by mid-2006.

How will King County continue to minimize community impacts?

- Temporary sound barriers will be installed before the temporary trailer-mounted standby generator is used.
- The construction site will continue to be fenced.
- The contractor will secure equipment during nonworking hours to protect children and pets.
- Access to homes, the Burke-Gilman Trail and Matthews Beach Park will be maintained at all times.
- The contractor will restore the landscaped areas on the pump station site after work is complete.
- All work will be done as safely and quickly as possible.
- King County anticipates no impacts on Thornton Creek or the use of Matthews Beach Park and the Burke-Gilman Trail.

For this information in alternative formats, call 206-263-6029 or 711 (TTY).



Where can you get more information?

- Call the 24-hour construction information line at 206-205-9305. Project staff will carry a pager and respond to your questions or concerns as soon as possible.
- Request updates through e-mail by sending a message to Jennifer.Kauffman@metrokc.gov.
- Call Jennifer Kauffman at 206-263-6029 during business hours.
- Visit the project Web site at <http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wtd/projects/matthews/>.



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