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New Pacific Pump Station planned

King County protects public health and the environment by conveying and treating the region's wastewater. The Pacific Pump Station pumps wastewater from the City of Pacific to the South Treatment Plant in Renton.

The existing pump station is an underground facility located east of Tacoma Boulevard North, in the unpaved First Avenue Northwest public right-of-way (see map on reverse). The pump station is more than 30 years old and needs to be replaced to ensure safe and reliable operations. We also need to expand it to convey increased wastewater flows from the City of Pacific.

King County will replace the existing facility with a new aboveground pump station. The new pump station will be on Frontage Road near the Custom Iron Works building. A new sewer pipe will be built in the First Avenue Northwest public right-of-way. It will cross under the Interurban Trail and connect to the existing sewer underneath Tacoma Boulevard North.

King County's Wastewater Treatment Division is also funding public art as part of this project. The public art project is being developed in partnership with the City of Pacific and Cultural Development Authority of King County and will be installed at City Hall.

Pump Station Environmental Review

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) provides a way to identify possible environmental impacts that may result from governmental decisions. An environmental checklist for the Pacific Pump Station project has been prepared. It covers potential impacts of the facility on the natural and built environments, including earth, air, water, plants and animals, environmental health, noise, land use, recreation, light and glare and aesthetics.

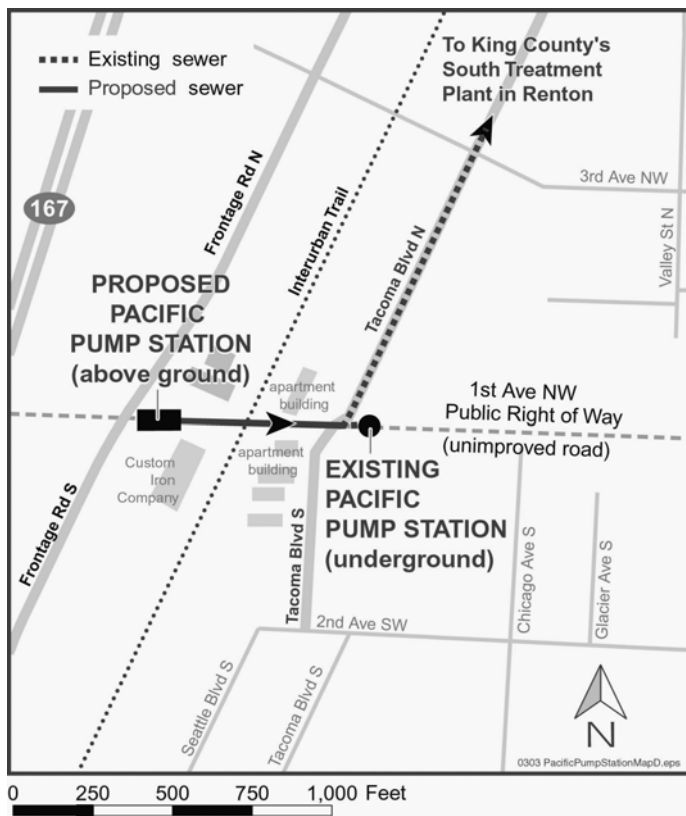
Through this environmental review, King County has determined that this project will not have significant adverse environmental impacts. King County has issued an environmental determination of non-significance (DNS), which is a formal announcement of the results of the SEPA process. We are mailing the DNS to property owners within 500 feet of the proposed project. If you want a copy of the complete environmental checklist, please contact Katherine McKee at 206-263-3197 or katherine.mckee@metrokc.gov. Public comments will be accepted for 14 days after the date of issuance.

Pump station construction is tentatively scheduled to run from Spring or Summer 2004 to 2006. King County will provide more detailed project information before construction begins.

For more information

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Pacific Pump Station Replacement Project



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