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Update: Construction activities on 32nd Avenue West Week of October 27th

King County's contractor is continuing underground drilling on 32nd Avenue West to install a new gravity sewer pipeline. The sewer line is one part of a new combined sewer overflow (CSO) control facility in Magnolia that will reduce overflows of stormwater and sewage to Puget Sound during rain storms we are currently experiencing.

The drilling contractor, Mears Group, Inc, has completed the pilot bore, which is the first step in the drilling process. As soon as October 24th, crews will begin the reaming process to enlarge the bore hole to the final sewer pipe size. This drilling phase is expected to continue through November and will include many of the same activities that were used during the pilot bore drilling. King County will continue to monitor both noise and vibration to ensure that levels are within specified limits.



Drilling operations on 32nd Avenue

For more detailed information on Horizontal Directional Drilling, visit www.mears.net/horizontal-directional-drilling/index.php/hdd/the-hdd-process.

The next major activity you will see is delivery and assembly of pipe sections on 32nd Avenue West. The contractor will assemble long strings of pipe prior to pulling them into the pilot hole. The pipe sections are 30-50 feet in length. Pipe delivery on 32nd Avenue West will begin the week of October 27th. Crews will first clear some brush vegetation along the roadway north of 33rd Avenue West to prepare for upcoming pipe storage and assembly. People will experience traffic delays while pipe is being unloaded from trucks.

What you can expect

- Work hours Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; during the drilling process, crews may work longer on some days to complete tasks that must be finished that day, but they will not exceed the allowed City of Seattle hours.
- Increased truck traffic, crews on site, heavy construction activity, noise and some vibration near the work area.
- Traffic delays during pipe delivery.
- Crew members at the site after hours and on Sundays to check site security and operating equipment.

For questions or concerns, or to report a problem, contact our 24-hour construction hotline at 206-205-0968 and leave a message.

Leave your contact information if you would like a return call or email.

For more information, visit www.kingcounty.gov and search “South Magnolia CSO”, or contact Monica Van der Vieren at 206-477-5502 or monica.vandervieren@kingcounty.gov.