



**King County**

Department of Natural Resources and Parks  
**Wastewater Treatment Division**

# What does the Wastewater Treatment Division do?

Since 1958, King County has protected water quality in the Puget Sound region by providing wastewater treatment services to King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties as part of the King County Regional Wastewater Services Plan.

In this process, King County collects wastewater from 17 cities, 17 sewer districts and serves 1.7 million people in our area. This means keeping the 400 miles of pipes that carry sewage to the treatment plants in good condition.

If you look at this map, you can see all of King County's sewer pipes and our treatment plants. There are three large and two smaller treatment plants in the area.

Our region is growing! King County needs to make sure its regional wastewater system keeps pace with growth and meets permitting standards – with a focus on protecting public health, the environment and the economy by reducing pollution into natural waterbodies.

