WEST DUWAMISH CSO CONTROL PROJECT King County Protecting Our Waters Doing our part on rainy days

King County Wastewater Treatment Division is planning a project that will help control discharges of untreated sewage and stormwater into the Duwamish River. Like many cities around the country, older parts of King County's sewer system use the same set of pipes to carry both sewage and stormwater to a



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treatment plant. During storms, the pipes can fill with stormwater that runs off roofs, driveways and streets. When the system is overwhelmed, it is designed to overflow to rivers, lakes and Puget Sound. These overflows are called Combined Sewer Overflows, or CSOs. Even though CSOs help prevent backups into homes and businesses, they pose a risk to public health and the environment.

In 2014, we talked with you about potential solutions to the CSO problem in South Park and Highland Park. After much research, we have determined that an underground storage tank is the most effective solution to minimize CSOs in the drainage basin.

You can help protect the Duwamish River and add beautiful landscaping to your property through RainWise. RainWise pays property owners to install rain gardens and cisterns on private property. A few of your neighbors – including the Highland Park Improvement Club – have already installed RainWise gardens or cisterns. RainWise will be available in Highland Park through 2017. Visit kingcounty.gov/rainwise to learn more.

To stay up to date on King County's project to control discharges of untreated sewage and polluted runoff into the Duwamish, visit kingcounty.gov/westduwamish-cso. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions about the project. We'll also mail out a newsletter later this summer with updates on the project.

Sincerely,

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206-477-5417

如果您希望聯絡此計劃的人員,請致電206-477-5417 留言並且表明您所 使用的語言。一位口譯人員將會回電給您(您無須支付任何費用)。

Để trao đổi về dự án này, hãy để lại tin nhắn tới số 206-477-5417 và nói rõ ngôn ngữ của quý vị. Một thông dịch viên sẽ gọi lại miễn phí cho quý vị.

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Si aad ugala hadasho qof wax ku saabsan mashruuca, fariin u dhaaf at 206-477-5417 oo sheeg luqaddaada. Turjubaan ayaa kugu soo laaban iyaddoonay kharash kugu joogin.

Para hablar con alguien acerca de este proyecto, puede dejar un mensaje llamando al 206-477- e indicar su idioma. Un intérprete le devolverá la llamada sin ningún costo para usted.