North Creek Interceptor Sewer Project

Design Update: Final stages underway!

King County is completing design of the North Creek Interceptor (NCI) Project. The project includes construction of approximately 10,000 feet of new sewer line in the City of Bothell and unincorporated Snohomish County. The project team will work closely with project neighbors to keep people informed about activities and schedule, and to address questions and concerns about construction activities.

The NCI pipeline serves over 19 square miles that includes Bothell, Mill Creek, and a part of unincorporated Snohomish County. The pipeline is an integral part of the regional wastewater system that carries flows from local jurisdictions to King County's treatment plants. Upgrades are necessary to provide additional capacity for homes and businesses and to ensure safe and reliable operations for the future.

As the project team develops design details and acquires easements and permits for project construction, more information about what people can expect in their areas emerges. See page 2 to learn what we know now about activities and potential impacts in your area. We will continue to keep project neighbors up to date on these details, and add information once the contract is awarded and the construction contractor provides King County with a schedule and information about activities.

ECOTOBER @ Brightwater Center

ECOTOBER KICK-OFF EVENT! SAT., OCT. 5, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Come for a day of fun and learning in our Ecotober kick-off event! The day will be filled with family activities, speakers, booths, tours, and live music! This event is FREE; all ages are welcome!

BRIGHTWATER CENTER 22505 St. Route 9 SE, Woodinville, WA 98072

Evening Sustainability Series
Join us each Wednesday evening of October for our sustainable speaker series! These events are FREE; appropriate for ages 12 and up.

OCTOBER 9, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Seasonal Edible Gardening: Learn hints from expert Emily Bishton

OCTOBER 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Recycling: an inside look at Cascade Recycling Center (CRC). This event will meet at Cascade Recycling Center

OCTOBER 23, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Eco Movie Night: Tapped: A film about the bottled water industry

OCTOBER 30, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ask the Experts: Learn from speakers on energy, water, and transportation

Visit www.bwecotober.eventbrite.com for more information and to register for events.

Maintenance and repair work complete by Fall 2013

King County is finalizing permits to complete maintenance and repair activities on manholes in North Creek Park and on North Creek in Bothell in Fall 2013. This is the final work needed to reduce surface water entering King County's sewer system during the rainy season, helping to maintain capacity while the NCI Project is completed.
The NCI pipeline will be installed in wetland areas and under North Creek. Part of this alignment follows the planned route of the next phase of the Bothell Trail. The project team is coordinating with the City of Bothell to determine the best approach for both projects to proceed.

Currently, the County is obtaining permits for work in the wetland area and buffer. We are conducting field investigations in this area and will use a drill rig, working within existing easements. People will see this activity, which is expected to take up to several weeks.

14th Drive SE and North Creek crossing
The contractor will install new pipeline under 208th Street SE using a trenchless method called pipe ramming. The main construction activity will occur near the City’s detention pond area south of 208th, where the pipe ramming machine will be operated within a pit. From 14th Drive SE, the contractor will install pipeline underneath North Creek, also using pipe ramming to avoid impacts to the creek. Pipe ramming creates a lot of noise; however, this activity is not long-lasting, occurs intermittently, and is required to be discontinued at 6 p.m.

Establishment of a pipe ramming pit on 14th Street SE may require street closure for up to a month. Delivery services, services, and emergency services will be maintained during the closure. The contractor will establish and provide signage to detour traffic around the site, and King County will provide advance notice of all activities.

Keeping people informed and up-to-date
When King County identifies issues in the regional sewer system, we work to keep communities aware of problems and what we are doing to address them. We have used a variety of ways to keep people informed as project design continues, or when overflows have occurred.

- Newsletter distributed by mail and email in Winter and Spring 2013
- Fliers distributed in work areas
- Notices and information materials provided to AWWD and City of Bothell for distribution
- Project Web page maintained and updated
- Community meeting held February 2013
- Briefings for businesses and residential complexes provided upon request
- Notifications when overflows occur to local and state agencies, jurisdictions, and interested citizens

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR AREAS