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## King County Parks invites community to review, comment on plans for Bellevue segment of Eastside Rail Corridor Trail

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### Summary

**Attend an upcoming public open house to learn more and comment on proposed conceptual designs for the Wilburton portion of King County’s Eastside Rail Corridor Trail – including the historic Wilburton Trestle – in Bellevue.**

### Story

Working with a wide group of community stakeholders, King County Parks has developed initial conceptual design plans for the Wilburton segment of the **Eastside Rail Corridor** trail in Bellevue – and the public has an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed plans at an upcoming public open house and online forum.



Extending from the Cross Kirkland Corridor at 108th Avenue Northeast to Interstate 90, the Wilburton segment of the Eastside Rail Corridor will offer connections to the 520 Trail, I-90 Trail, and Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail, and includes renovation of the historic Wilburton Trestle as a trail bridge.

Community members will have the chance to view and comment on the latest design plans for the Wilburton segment at an open house on Oct. 9 in Bellevue, and during an online open house that runs from Oct. 9 to Oct 23.

The Eastside Rail Corridor is a major north-south connection through East King County, extending

from Renton to Woodinville. King County is joining with other partners to design and build a 16.7-mile trail that will serve the region's non-motorized transportation needs, provide expanded recreational opportunities, and connect communities like never before.

A centerpiece of the design proposals is the historic Wilburton Trestle – one of the most iconic elements of the future Eastside Rail Corridor Trail. Built in 1904 and nearly 1,000 feet long and more than 100 feet above the ground, the Wilburton Trestle is the largest timber train trestle in the Pacific Northwest, and King County Parks plans to renovate the trestle as a trail bridge while preserving the structure's historic character.

This urbanized segment of the Eastside Rail Corridor Trail incorporates connections to downtown Bellevue, current and future developments in the Spring District and Wilburton, future Sound Transit East Link light rail stations, and to other area bike and pedestrian trails.

### **In-person open house**

Tuesday, Oct. 9  
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
Bellevue City Hall  
450 110th Ave. NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

### **Online open house**

Open Oct. 9 - Oct. 23  
Visit [kingcounty.gov/erc](http://kingcounty.gov/erc)

### **RELEVANT LINKS**

- [Eastside Rail Corridor](#)

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