



King County

Department of
Natural Resources and Parks
Wastewater Treatment Division

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Beach reopens after North Beach Pump Station repair

The beach directly below Blue Ridge Park is now open.

King County Wastewater Treatment Division completed repair of a damaged section of pipe near the North Beach Pump Station on February 13. When the problem began, Public Health - Seattle & King County, recommended temporarily closing the beach due to high bacteria counts in the water. Since then, King County has been monitoring water quality at the beach shore daily and reporting results to Public Health.

Public Health has authorized King County to reopen the beach.

Construction work on the site of the force main pipe repair is complete. We will keep the construction fencing up around the south part of Blue Ridge Park pending park restoration. The north part of the park remains open.

King County's response team appreciates the community's patience and support while this work is completed. We will continue to keep you up to date as construction and vegetation restoration continues.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Monica Van der Vieren at 206-477-5502 or monica.vandervieren@kingcounty.gov or Erika Peterson at 206-477-5525 or erika.peterson@kingcounty.gov

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The North Beach Pump Station and force main were built in the 1960's to carry wastewater from the North Beach/Blue Ridge area to Carkeek Wet Weather Treatment Facility. From Carkeek, the wastewater travels to West Point Treatment Plant.

King County added a storage tank and odor control to the existing North Beach Pump Station to reduce overflows of untreated stormwater and sewage into Puget Sound during large storms. Those facilities went online in 2015 and continue to operate.

For more information:

To learn about the facilities at North Beach, visit the Web:

www.kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/wtd/capital-projects/completed/north-beach-cso-control.aspx

Map of North Beach Pump Station area with City and County facilities



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