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Construction is underway to upgrade the 53rd Avenue Pump Station in West Seattle. This underground facility located at Alki Avenue Southwest and 53rd Avenue Southwest is more than 50 years old and in need of repairs, new equipment and more underground space.

The upgrades will take about 20 months to complete (through summer 2009) and will ultimately improve pump station performance and provide safe access for operation and maintenance crews. The renovated pump station will pump 17 million gallons of wastewater per day to the county's West Point Treatment Plant.

### Current Construction

Current construction activities include:

- Relocating nearby utilities
- Removing and relocating storm drain lines
- Installing a new 24" forcemain pipe

### Traffic revisions and parking

Traffic will be rerouted during construction because many of the activities must take place in the roadway on Alki Avenue Southwest. During work hours, flaggers are on site and will help traffic through the construction zone. During off-hours, two lanes are open to traffic.

To help accommodate traffic flow, on-street parking along Alki Avenue Southwest will not be allowed in the immediate area of construction.

Because parking is limited in the area, contractor work crews are parking personal vehicles at the nearby King County Alki Treatment Plant and shuttle to and from the job site. The contractor is using the Alki Treatment Plant for staging and storage of equipment and

construction materials to maintain a smaller construction area and reduce impact to the neighborhood.

### Construction hours

King County's contractor, MKB Constructors, is working from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursdays.

### Stay Informed

King County Wastewater Treatment Division will send construction updates periodically throughout the project. Please forward this message to other interested organizations or neighbors.

- Web site:  
<http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wtd/projects/westseattle/53rdAvePS/>
- 24-hour construction line: 206-205-5656

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