



**King County**  
Department of  
Natural Resources and Parks  
**Wastewater Treatment  
Division**



# 53rd AVENUE PUMP STATION

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

### ***Sheet pile driving is complete***

King County's contractor completed the sheet pile installation in late August. The contractor installed approximately 120 shoring sheets which will remain in place. Installing the sheets stabilizes the work site and allowed the crews to safely begin excavating. You have likely seen additional equipment and trucks on site that are hauling away the excavated fill.

King County's project team greatly appreciates the community's patience during this difficult phase of the project. Installing this type of shoring system is critical for expanding the pump station underground and we recognize that it's very intense construction work even with the best of circumstances. During pile driving, the contractor did run into an underground obstruction and there are a few piles that were not driven to the desired depth. The project team has determined a design solution that will allow us to avoid additional pile driving and avoid additional impacts to the community.

From here forward, much of the construction will be underground. We will continue to provide updates as the work progresses.

### **Construction hours**

King County's contractor, MKB Constructors, varies their work hours depending on the activity, but will work Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### **Stay Informed**

King County is committed to being a good neighbor during construction. The project team will continue to work with community members to minimize disruptions to the daily lives of those living and working near the construction zone.

For more information:

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

Please forward this message to other interested organizations or neighbors. To subscribe or unsubscribe to construction updates, please e-mail [Martha.Tuttle@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Martha.Tuttle@kingcounty.gov).

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