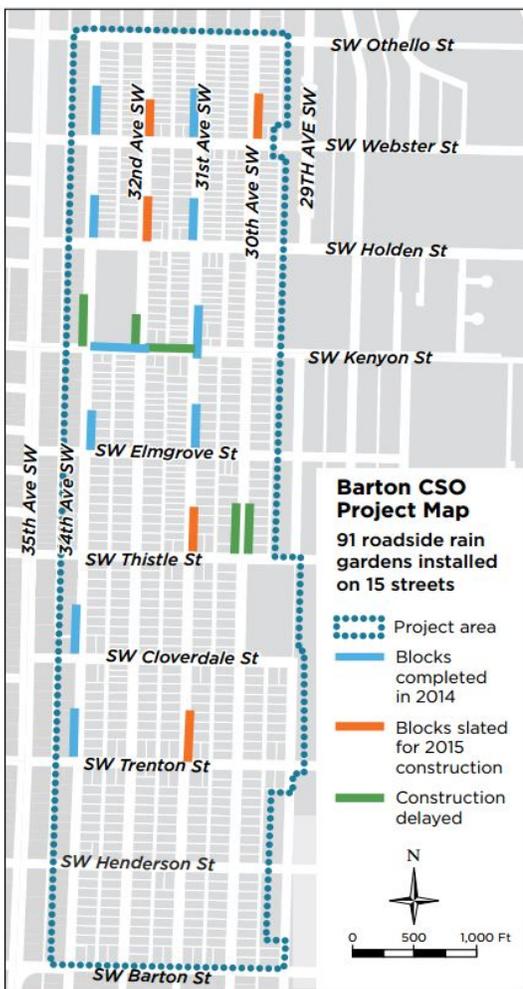


Barton Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Control Project

2015 construction season to begin first week of March

Road side rain gardens to be constructed on five blocks

King County is installing roadside rain gardens in the Sunrise Heights and Westwood neighborhoods to divert stormwater runoff away from the combined sewer system. Roadside rain gardens will be constructed in the planter strip between the curb and sidewalk. When it rains, stormwater will filter through the rain garden soil to a drain pipe, which will take the water to a deep well for slow infiltration underground. Keeping stormwater out of the sewer system will reduce combined sewer overflows (CSOs) of raw sewage and untreated stormwater into Puget Sound near the Fauntleroy ferry dock.



The project will reduce the number of CSOs to no more than one per year on a long term average. After construction, the project team will monitor the roadside rain gardens and discharges near the Fauntleroy ferry dock to determine if it will be necessary to construct additional roadside rain gardens on green blocks shown on the map.

Shorter construction season this year

In early March, King County’s contractor, Goodfellow Brothers Inc., will begin roadside rain garden construction on the remaining blocks of the Barton CSO Control Project (orange blocks on the map). Only five blocks will be under construction this year, compared to 10 completed last year, allowing for a shorter 2015 construction season. In addition, crews completed preparation work on these blocks by installing wells and moving sewer and water lines in 2014.

What to expect during construction

Expect to see about a month of active construction per block as crews excavate planter strips, install drain pipes and irrigation systems, bring in soil, and install plants, followed by a two month plant establishment period.

- Work hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Advance notice will be provided for any work outside those hours.
- Work will begin on the 7300 and 7500 blocks of 32nd Avenue SW.
- Crews will work simultaneously on all five blocks.
- All work will occur in public right-of-way.
- Some construction materials will be stored in the planter strips.
- Noise and activity typical of a construction area.
- Local and emergency access will be maintained, although local access may need to be coordinated with construction crew.
- Uninterrupted delivery of mail and packages and uninterrupted waste management pick up.
- Construction updates will be posted to our website weekly; visit www.kingcounty.gov and search “barton cso-gsi”.

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Activity	Construction Impacts
Excavate for rain gardens and install drain pipes	Crews will excavate rain garden area and install drain pipes. To ensure safety near the work zone, expect to see street and sidewalk closures adjacent to the area under construction. Local access will be maintained. The street and sidewalk will reopen at 5 p.m. daily.
Install irrigation and place soil	Expect some short street and/or sidewalk closures during the day while equipment and soil are brought in.
Planting	Streets and sidewalks will be open during this work.
Plant establishment period	You will see construction fencing around rain gardens while plants begin to grow (approximately two months). Streets and sidewalks will be open during this work.
Flow testing	After the plant establishment period, expect to see crews running tests in the street to make sure water flows into and drains out of each rain garden as intended.
Operations and maintenance	Expect to see crews performing maintenance activities after testing is completed. Streets and sidewalks will be open during this work.

Community Outreach

King County is committed to being a good neighbor during construction. Advance notification of construction activities is provided to residents via mail, email, phone, web updates, and project fliers. The community outreach team also does one-on-one problem solving with residents and property owners directly impacted by construction activities. **Please call the 24-hour project hotline at 206-205-9184 if you would like to schedule a meeting with the project team before or during construction.**

Roadside rain garden maintenance

King County is responsible for roadside rain garden maintenance throughout the year. Crews will regularly visit roadside rain gardens constructed last year to apply mulch, monitor and maintain plants, weed planted areas, remove debris, and water as needed. ***If you see a small amount of garbage, please pick it up!*** While crews will be on the lookout for problems when they perform regular maintenance, they are not onsite daily like neighbors. Keeping hotline calls to major issues ensures a prompt response when needed.

Please call the 24-hour hotline if you see:

- Ponding water that lasts longer than 24 hours after it has stopped raining
- Vandalism
- Other concerns

24/7 project hotline: 206-205-9184

Leave a message, and a project team member will return your call.

Email: Kristine.cramer@kingcounty.gov

Web: www.kingcounty.gov, search “barton cso-gsi”