



SEPA Public Comment Period

Kirkland Pump Station and Sewer Upgrade Project

As part of its mission to protect public health and the environment, King County is responsible for conveying and treating wastewater collected by 34 cities and local sewer agencies, including the City of Kirkland.

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks Wastewater Treatment Division proposes to upgrade the Kirkland Pump Station at the corner of Third Street and Park Lane in downtown Kirkland, to increase capacity and ensure safe and reliable operations. The county also needs to increase capacity of the sewers that lead in and out of the pump station.

The Kirkland Pump Station is across the street from the King County Library and next to the Kirkland Transit Center, which will all be constructed within the next five years. The King County Wastewater Treatment Division is working with Sound Transit and the City of Kirkland to coordinate efforts and minimize impacts on the community and downtown businesses.

Project Overview

The pump station and sewer improvements will be constructed in phases, in coordination with South Transit and the City of Kirkland.

The first phase of construction will involve construction of a section of pipeline bringing wastewater to the pump station (influent pipeline) underneath Third Street, between Central Way and Park Lane. This portion of the project will be completed by Sound Transit in conjunction with the new Kirkland Transit Center starting in summer 2009 and ending summer 2010.

The second phase of construction, including the Kirkland Pump Station upgrades and new downstream sewer by King County, will follow the Transit Center construction starting in fall 2010. The county will construct a new larger diameter sewer (force main) that will transport wastewater from the pump station to the main conveyance pipeline. The new sewer will run from the pump station south under Third Street to Kirkland Avenue, and down Kirkland Avenue to the railroad right-of-way near Eighth Street.

Modifications to the county's Kirkland Pump Station will include; replacing pumps, electrical system upgrades, modernization of control instrumentation, replacement of the odor control equipment, replacement of the standby generator, and improvements to the building's exterior.



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Environmental Review

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) provides a way to identify possible environmental impacts that may result from governmental decisions. An environmental checklist for the Kirkland Pump Station and Sewer Upgrade Project has been prepared. It covers potential impacts of the project on the natural and built environments, including earth, air, water, plants and animals, environmental health, noise, land use, recreation, light and glare, aesthetics and transportation.

Through this environmental review process King County has determined that this project will not have significant adverse environmental impacts. King County has issued a Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS), which is a formal announcement of the results of the SEPA process. We are mailing this notice to property owners within 500 feet of the proposed project and others on the project mailing list. Copies of the DNS and checklist are available for review at the Kirkland Public Library located at 308 Kirkland Avenue Kirkland and on the county's web site:

<http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wtd/projects/kirkland/indez.htm>.

For a copy of the DNS and environmental checklist, please contact Meredith Redmon, Environmental Planner at (206) 263-6534. Additional project information is also available on the web site: <http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wtd/projects/kirkland/indez.htm>.

The DNS was issued on December 22, 2008. Public comments on the DNS and environmental checklist will be accepted through January 7, 2009. See the DNS for information on where to send comments.

For more information

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