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King County crews to locate break, stabilize area around damaged sewer pipe under West Galer Street

Expect lane and sidewalk closures, steel plates in bike lane through year's end

This week King County staff and contractors will continue work to locate a break in a County

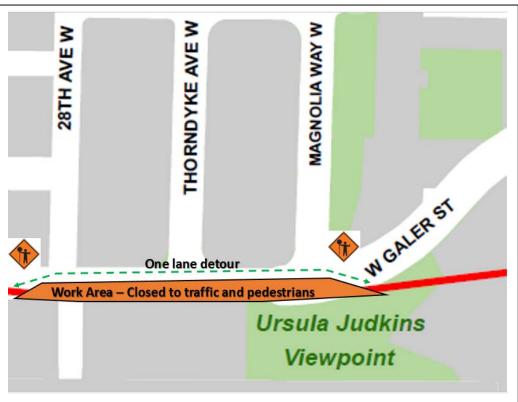
sewer pipe 150 feet beneath the surface of W. Galer St. in Magnolia. We expect this work to continue through the end of the year. Sewer service will continue as normal.

Starting Wednesday, Dec. 7, County contractors will use a small drill rig to drill holes approximately 130 feet deep in the W. Galer St. right of way to confirm the exact location of the pipe break. Crews will pump grout into any areas of soil loss discovered along the pipe.

About 500 feet of the W. Galer St. eastbound traffic lane, sidewalk and bike lane will close to through traffic during work hours.

The lane and sidewalk will reopen after work is complete each day. Steel plates will cover any active drill sites after hours. Some plates may extend into the bike lane.

Bicyclists should take extreme caution passing through the work area after hours.



Traffic and pedestrians will detour north of the work area while King County crews stabilize the area around a damaged County sewer pipe

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What to expect:

- Work from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. weekdays starting Wednesday Dec. 7, and 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays through the end of the year.
- No eastbound through access for vehicles, bikes or pedestrians for 500 feet on W. Galer St. between 28th Ave. N.W. and Magnolia Way W.
- Traffic control personnel on site to ensure residential access and detour traffic around the work area
- Equipment staged in the Magnolia Park parking lot
- Trucks and equipment parked along Thorndyke Ave. W. and 28th Ave. W.
- Steel plates in the eastbound bike lane
- Resident access maintained
- Normal sewer service maintained

Why is this work necessary?

King County must repair a damaged pipe designed to send flows to the County's Magnolia Wet Weather Storage Facility. The pipe and facility work together to keep sewage and stormwater out of Puget Sound during storms and prevent Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs).

King County will share more information about its plans to repair the pipe after confirming the pipe break location and stabilizing any areas of soil loss along the pipe.



Crews will use a drill rig to confirm the pipe break's location. Grout will be pumped into any areas of soil loss along the damaged pipe



Traffic flaggers will detour cars, bikes and pedestrians around the work area