



Lake Hills and NW Lake Sammamish Sewer Upgrade Project

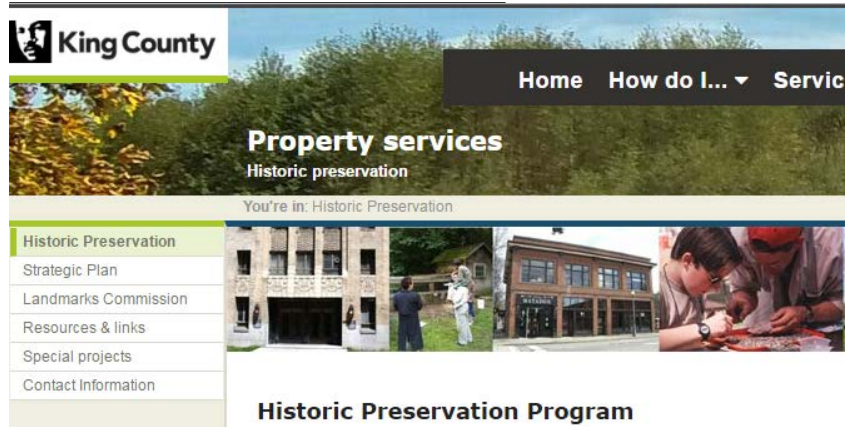
Preserving the past while preparing for the future

The wise stewardship of cultural resources is our collective responsibility. King County coordinates with permitting agencies, Tribal governments, and King County's Historic Preservation Program to ensure that protection of cultural resources is addressed during planning, design and construction.

A historically significant area

The area near Lake Sammamish and King County's Marymoor Park is known to be a historically significant area where people lived and interacted regularly for the past 12,000 years. This last summer the Lake Hills and Lake Sammamish Sewer Upgrade project team conducted an archaeological survey along the entire proposed pipeline alignment. This involved digging over 400 small holes.

After all that digging the team uncovered several artifacts between 5,000 to 8,000 years old; those artifacts include fragments of stone tools and fire-modified rock, along with a stone scraping tool and a point likely broken while being sharpened. These discoveries will help paint a picture of life near the Sammamish River thousands of years ago.



WTD's Environmental Planning team supports the County's award-winning Historic Preservation Program.



Artifacts discovered by the project team near Marymoor Park are more than 5,000 years old.



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Minimizing impacts from projects

When possible, pipe alignments are designed to avoid disturbing cultural resources. When the pipe can't be moved, we'll be prepared during construction:

We'll have archaeologists on site during "ground disturbing activities", including any digging below the ground that has already been modified by things like roads or sidewalks. Crews will have training about what to watch for and what to do if they encounter any cultural resources during construction.

Our team will coordinate closely with permitting agencies and Tribal governments about any discoveries made during construction.



Archaeologists working on the project take small soil samples then use mesh screens to look for artifacts.

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