



**King County**

Department of Natural Resources and Parks  
Wastewater Treatment Division

# NORTH MERCER ISLAND/ENATAI Sewer Upgrade Project

## Field investigations move into the East Channel Week of August 8, 2016

King County Wastewater Treatment Division is in full swing with field investigations to inform design of a sewer upgrade project in Mercer Island and Bellevue. Surveyors have been working in the project area in Mercer Island and Bellevue, and surveying the lake bottom near the northeast shoreline of Mercer Island and across the East Channel of Lake Washington.

As early as August 8, crews will conduct several geotechnical borings in the East Channel of Lake Washington, north of the I-90 bridge. This work is expected to last about two days. Just like borings on land, these samples will help the project team evaluate soil conditions.



### What you can expect

- The East Channel will remain open to boat traffic.
- Crews will work from a 130 foot by 42 foot barge. The barge will be repositioned several times during this work.
- Work will begin on the west side of the channel, closest to Mercer Island, and progress toward the Bellevue shoreline.
- Work hours 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The barge will be moored in place overnight and will leave the work area before the weekend of August 14.
- Work is expected to last about two days, depending on field conditions.
- The barge will be launched and removed from Lake Washington at the Mercer Island Boat Launch. The boat launch will remain open during this work, but expect delays of up to an hour as the barge is loaded in and out of the lake.

As part of a separate effort, the City of Bellevue will be evaluating an underwater pipeline during the same week. For information about the City's work, please contact Debbie Harris at 425-452-4367 or [DHarris@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:DHarris@bellevuewa.gov).

**Please travel slowly through the area, watch for other boat traffic, and keep a safe distance from the barge.**

### For more information

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