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## NORTH MERCER ISLAND/ENATAI Sewer Upgrade Project



### King County identifies final pipeline route!

Learn more inside and at community meetings this month.

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## NORTH MERCER ISLAND/ENATAI Sewer Upgrade Project

King County is committed to working closely with the community throughout the life of the project. The project team is available for meetings, briefings, and events. To request a meeting or to talk with the project team, connect with us:

- Visit the project website:  
[www.kingcounty.gov/MercerEnataiSewer](http://www.kingcounty.gov/MercerEnataiSewer)
- Sign up for text alerts:
  - For Mercer Island updates, text KING MERCERSEWER to 468-311
  - For Bellevue updates, text KING ENATAISEWER to 468-311
- For questions and other comments, call or email:  
**Kristine Cramer, 206-477-5415 or [kristine.cramer@kingcounty.gov](mailto:kristine.cramer@kingcounty.gov)**

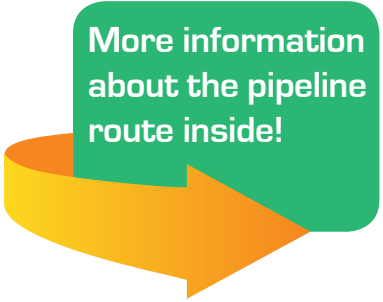


*King County's Carson Cox teaches kids about the wastewater system at the Mercer Island Summer Celebration.*

For more information about our system, visit [www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wtd](http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wtd)

### King County project team identifies route for sewer pipeline in Mercer Island and Bellevue

Finalizing the route comes after nearly two years of studies and conversations with the community, local government, and partner agencies to identify the best location for the pipeline route. The existing sewer line runs along the Bellevue and Mercer Island shoreline in the East Channel and Lake Washington. The new pipeline will stay out of the water as much as possible to limit the impact to sensitive environmental areas.



#### Join us at an upcoming community meeting

You can learn more about the final pipeline route at an upcoming community meeting, including how your feedback informed the route, planned pump station upgrades, potential construction methods, and more.

**Wednesday, January 25, 6 – 8 p.m.**  
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center  
1625 118th Ave SE, Bellevue

**Thursday, January 26, 6 – 8 p.m.**  
Mercer Island Community and Event Center  
8236 SE 24th St, Mercer Island

To request special accommodations at these meetings, contact Kristine Cramer at 206-477-5415 or [Kristine.Cramer@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Kristine.Cramer@kingcounty.gov)



*The community meeting will include a presentation and stations to discuss the various project elements.*

#### Can't make the meetings? Join us online!

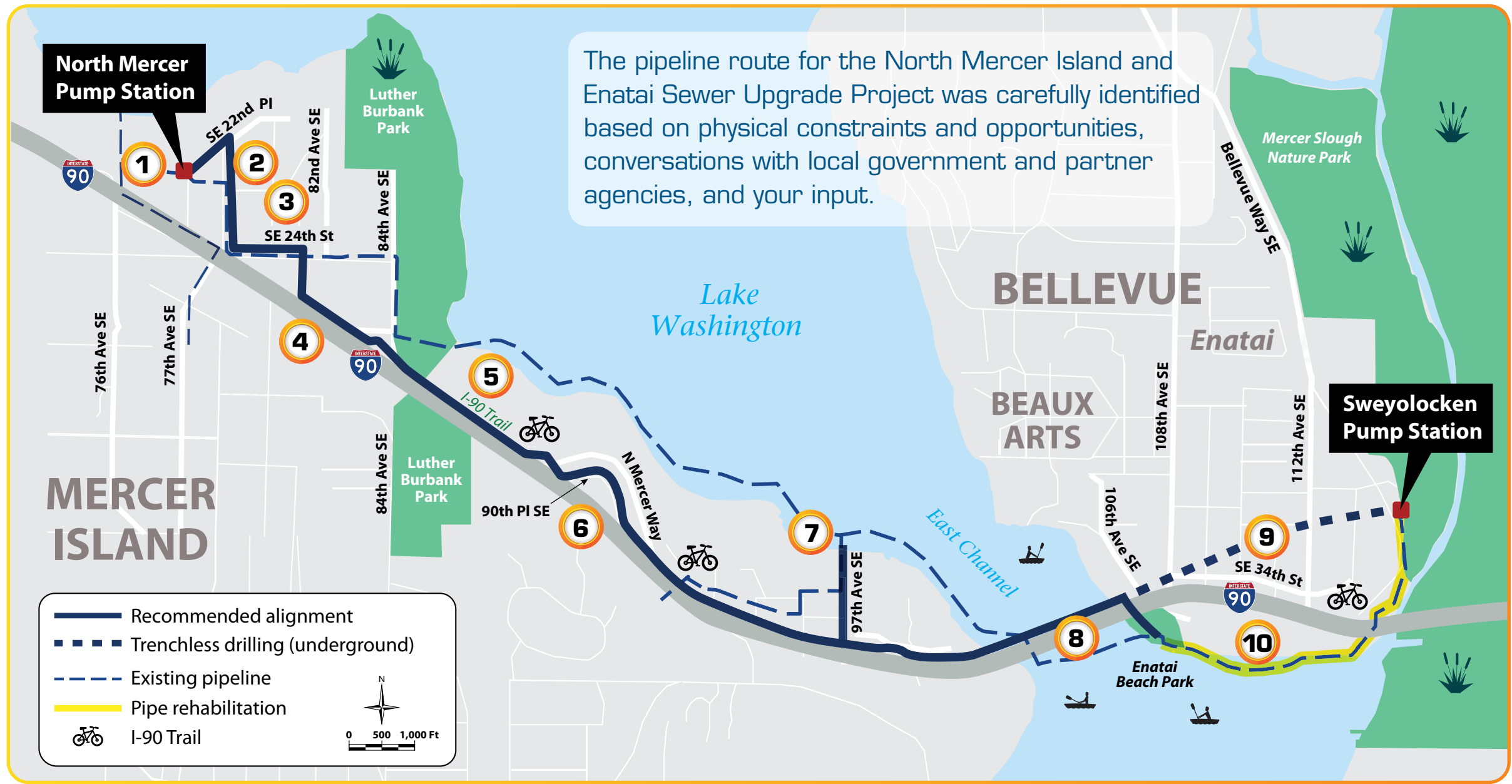
We'll be hosting an online open house from January 25 to February 22 at [www.nmesewerupgrade.org](http://www.nmesewerupgrade.org)



### Ensuring reliable service for decades to come

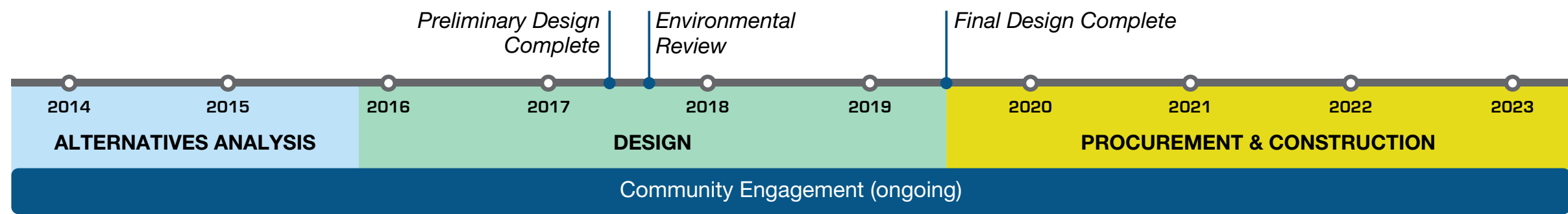
King County is upgrading the sewer pipes that serve north Mercer Island, southwest Bellevue near Enatai Beach, and the Town of Beaux Arts. These pipes were installed in the 1970s. To maintain an efficient, reliable sewer system, King County needs to replace and upgrade the pipeline that runs between the North Mercer Pump Station on Mercer Island and the Sweyolocken Pump Station in Bellevue.

- 1 King County will upgrade and increase capacity at the North Mercer Pump Station for reliable service into the future.
- 2 The wide gravel shoulder on 78th Ave SE provides an opportunity to install some portions of the pipeline out of the roadway. It also avoids utility conflicts on other streets.
- 3 The new pipeline follows the existing line along SE 24th St. and then heads down 81st Ave SE.
- 4 While the alignment largely travels along the I-90 trail, there is an approximately 500 foot section that must be installed in North Mercer Way to avoid utility conflicts on other streets.
- 5 A large section of the new sewer pipeline will follow the I-90 trail. Community members requested that the pipeline follow the trail as much as possible.
- 6 Following 90th Place SE avoids major utility and structural conflicts and keeps wastewater flows moving efficiently.
- 7 King County will upgrade the City of Mercer Island's Lift Station 11 at Fruitland Landing and re-direct flows upland to the new pipeline.
- 8 Crossing the East Channel requires in-water work. Cities and community members asked the team to avoid major boating times such as Seafair.
- 9 In Bellevue, the new pipeline will run underground starting at Enatai Beach Park and ending at the Sweyolocken Pump Station. An odor control unit will be installed under the bridge in Enatai Beach Park.
- 10 This section of existing pipeline must be rehabilitated and remain in service to receive flows from the City of Bellevue, and to provide operational flexibility. Most of the work to rehabilitate the pipeline will be conducted from the water.



**What's next?**

In 2017, the project team will continue the design process. We will work with you to gather input on the project where possible. Examples of future opportunities for public input might include restoration projects and public art opportunities at Enatai Beach Park and North Mercer Pump Station. We will provide project updates as we reach major milestones and continue to work one-on-one with property owners. King County will also continue to coordinate with the cities of Mercer Island and Bellevue as well as other agencies working in the area.



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