



Sunset and Heathfield Pump Stations and Force Main Upgrade

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Potholing along Southeast 38th Street and 164th Avenue Southeast and early work ahead of Horizontal Directional Drilling

Over the next several weeks, King County's contractor will be excavating potholes in the sidewalks and roadway to locate utilities along S.E. 38th St. and 164th Ave S.E. Crews are also preparing for pipe installation using Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) and will be getting equipment ready along 164th Avenue S.E. and Vasa Park.

What is potholing?

This utility locating method uses vacuum and air-compression technology to excavate pavement or other material without disrupting utility lines. Contractors will use truck-mounted equipment to dig small holes (6-inch diameter or less) approximately 4 to 8 feet below the surface to determine the locations of existing utility lines in the project area.

What is Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD)?

HDD is a technique used to install pipelines under busy roadways and environmentally sensitive areas. The contractor uses a machine on the surface to drill an underground pathway for the new pipe, and then to pull the pipe through the path. We'll share more details about HDD soon.

What to expect:

- Moving full lane closure on S.E. 38th St and 164th Ave S.E. weekdays between 7 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Local access maintained
- Signs and flaggers to direct traffic around work
- Expect some traffic delays when driving through the area
- Equipment and noise close to the work areas
- When crews are done potholing, sites will be temporarily patched until final restoration



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