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Summary of public comments now available

King County

Thank you for continuing to be involved in King County's Clean Water Plan process! We have posted the SEPA Scoping Summary on our website in English and Spanish.

King County needs to update its wastewater plan so that we make the right investments at the right time for the best water quality outcomes. The scoping public comment period closed on July 19.The scoping online open house is still available to read <u>in English</u> and <u>Spanish</u>. It is a great resource to understand how we are working to develop the <u>Clean Water Plan</u>.



About the SEPA Scoping Comment Period

On May 20, 2020, King County Wastewater Treatment Division issued a Determination of Significance and Request for Comments on the Scope of the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) scoping public comment period for the Clean Water Plan was open between May 20 and July 19, 2020.

The state environmental review process is designed to help agency leaders and the public understand how a proposed action or plan will affect the environment. The purpose of the scoping comment period was to seek input from interested parties—state and local agencies, tribes, and the general public—on what environmental considerations the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Clean Water Plan should analyze.

What's Next?

The <u>scoping online open house</u> describes the key issues the Clean Water Plan needs to deal with, as well as some of the individual actions we are considering. As we move through the planning process, we will be mixing and matching these actions to create different strategies to consider. We will use people's comments as we develop these strategies, the draft EIS, and future public engagement activities.

In 2021, we will invite people to discuss the different strategies. We will issue a draft EIS and host a public comment period. We will respond to all comments received on the Draft EIS in the Final EIS.

Your questions, input, and engagement in the Clean Water Plan process are important to us. We invite you to:

- <u>Read more about the Clean Water Plan</u> and watch for enewsletter updates.
- Email the engagement team at <u>cleanwaterplan@kingcounty.gov</u> with any questions or invite us to meet (virtually) with you or your group.

For More Information

Check <u>our web page</u>, join <u>our mailing list</u>, or contact us at <u>CleanWaterPlan@kingcounty.gov</u> or 206-477-5525.

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