



Vashon Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

May 2003

Upgrades to Vashon Wastewater Treatment Plant Rescheduled for 2004

Start of construction on upgrades to the Vashon Wastewater Treatment Plant has been rescheduled for spring 2004. King County's Wastewater Treatment Division had planned construction for the 2003 construction season, but it will be postponed to complete the environmental review and permitting process.

The delay was necessary to resolve concerns raised by the regulatory agencies related to the U.S. Endangered Species Act. Although these issues have now been satisfactorily addressed, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Washington State Department of Ecology must now complete the National Environmental Policy Act public notice process before construction permits can be issued.

The upgrades to the treatment plant and marine outfall will improve the plant's efficiency, increase capacity and protect human health and the environment. King County requested public comment from Vashon residents on the proposed architectural and landscape design and on public art for the project. King County has considered those comments in the final design.

Revised Project Schedule

Final Design and Permitting	December 2003
Begin Construction	Spring 2004
Complete Construction	Summer 2005

Before construction begins, King County will hold a public meeting to discuss construction details and plans to minimize impacts on nearby residents.

If you have any questions or would like more details about the final design for the treatment plant upgrades, please contact John Komorita, King County project manager, at 206-263-6522 or john.komorita@metrokc.gov.

Public Art Update

Development of the public art for this construction project is continuing, with final decisions dependent on securing a location for the art. Because of strong community preference for placing the art where it will be accessible to the widest audience, all the art concepts have potential locations off-site from the treatment plant. An additional project on-site is still under consideration.

King County's "1%-for-Art" fund sets aside one percent of the cost for all capital improvement construction projects to create and display public art. For more information or to get future updates on the public art component, contact Renee Tanner at 206-205-5435, ext. 2, or renee.tanner@culturaldevelopment.org.

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