

Lake Hills and NW Lake Sammamish Sewer Upgrade Project

Bike Everywhere Day tabling event

Date: Friday, May 17, 2019 Time: 6-9 a.m. Location: North corner of West Lake Sammamish Parkway N.E. and Leary Way/SR 520 Trail

Attendance

The project team engaged with 61 trail users.

Purpose of the event

King County Wastewater Treatment Division's community relations team hosted a booth located at the north corner of West Lake Sammamish Parkway N.E. and Leary Way/SR 520 Trail during Bike Everywhere Day event. The event provided an opportunity for the community to:

- Learn about the project purpose and wastewater service in the project area
- Understand how construction will affect the Sammamish River Trail and nearby roads
- Ask questions about the project
- Provide feedback on bike detour routes
- Hear how King County will work with the cycling community throughout the project

Event format

King County WTD hosted a table displaying King County trail maps, project information, stickers promoting responsible trash disposal habits and a project sign-up sheet. Staff also handed out bandage packs and granola bars provided by the event sponsor, Cascade Bicycle Club. Four people signed up to the project listserv, and many trail users indicated that they already receive project email updates.

Summary of feedback

Many of the bicyclists who stopped by the project table indicated that they regularly ride on the Sammamish River Trail. Overall, bicyclists said they understood there were limitations to potential detour routes during construction and appreciated the advanced notification about the project and its impacts.

Comments and questions received during the event included:

- How big is the new pipe?
 - The pipe ranges in size along the 4.5-mile project route, but the largest diameter of the new pipe will be 54-inches-wide near NE 85th Street.
- Are you closing the SR 520 trail?
 - No, this project will not impact the SR 520 trail during construction. Work will require closures of the Sammamish River Trail and the bike lanes on West Lake Sammamish Parkway.



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- When is construction scheduled to begin?
 - Construction is scheduled to begin in 2021.
- How long will construction last?
 - Construction of the 4.5-mile project alignment is scheduled to take approximately three years to complete. The alignment will be built in segments and will likely have several crews working simultaneously. We will have a more detailed construction schedule after a contractor is hired.
- Are you going to use the detour through the Heron Rookery Trail?
 - Yes, if approved by the City of Redmond, Heron Rookery Trail will serve as part of the project's detour route while Lake Sammamish Trail is closed between NE 85th Street and Leary Way.
- Is the Redmond Central Connector going to stay open?
 - Crews will close the Redmond Central Connector while working directly underneath it. This is a safety precaution because we will be working close to the footings of the trestle. In order to close the Connector, we would need to close it at the next entrance to the trail, which is near NE 86th Street off of Willows Road.

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