

Lake Hills & NW Lake Sammamish Sewer Upgrade



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Bike Everywhere Day tabling event

Date: Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Time: 6-9 a.m. and 4-7 p.m.

Location: Along the Sammamish River Trail near Dudley Carter Park, and near the entrance of Marymoor Park.

Attendance

The project team engaged with 63 trail users throughout the morning and afternoon shifts.

Purpose of the event

King County Wastewater Treatment Division's community engagement team hosted two booths located along the Sammamish River Trail for Bike Everywhere Day. The morning booth was located near Dudley Carter Park and the afternoon booth was located near the entrance of Marymoor Park. The event provided an opportunity for the community to:

- Learn about the project purpose and wastewater service in the project area.
- Understand how project construction will affect the Sammamish River Trail and nearby roads.
- Ask questions about the project.
- Learn about upcoming trail detours.
- Access the project website and other virtual resources.
- Sign up for project email updates.

Event format

At each booth King County WTD outreach staff hosted a table displaying general wastewater treatment information, project-specific information, and granola bars as giveaways for trail users. The project materials included information about the project purpose and benefits, project maps and detour information, a project email sign-up sheet, and QR codes to website information.



Community engagement staff sharing project information with trail users.



Trail user learning about the project while grabbing a granola bar for their commute.

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Summary of feedback

Many of the trail users who stopped by the project table indicated that they regularly walk or ride their bike along the Sammamish River Trail, either for recreation or to commute to work. Many trail users also shared using the Sammamish River Trail to connect to other trail or path systems in the area. Most of the trail users the community engagement team spoke with were familiar with this project. Several people mentioned they already receive project email updates. Several people were also aware of other King County projects going on in the area. Overall, most trail users appreciated the advanced notification of upcoming construction.

Questions received during the event include:

- How old is the current pipe and why does it need to be replaced?
 - The Lake Hills and NW Lake Sammamish sewer pipe has been serving Redmond and Bellevue for over 50 years, carrying wastewater to Brightwater Treatment Plant in Woodinville. King County will upgrade the pipe to meet the growing needs of the community.
- How long is this pipe upgrade expected to support the growing population in Redmond and Bellevue?
 - When the project is complete, the new pipe will provide sewer service for 50 years or more.
- When is construction scheduled to begin?
 - Construction is anticipated to begin in 2027.
- 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.
- Will the entire trail be shut down for the duration of construction?
 - No, contractor crews will work in segments and will re-route trail users around construction zones along portions of the trail. We do not currently anticipate a full closure of the trail at any point during construction.
- Will the detours reroute bicyclists and pedestrians onto local roads?
 - Yes, the anticipated trail detours will temporarily reroute trail users onto local roads and will reconnect users with the trail past active construction zones.



*Trail users learning about future
detour routes.*