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Construction Starting Soon SE 42nd and Powell Manhole Replacement Project

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Over one-third of Portland's 2,500 miles of sewer pipes are more than 80 years old.

Projects to replace or repair aging sewers are important for protecting water quality, public health, and the environment.

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If you would like to be added to an email update list for this project, please send an email to Marie with "SE 42nd Manhole Project" in the subject line.

Environmental Services will begin construction soon on a project to replace a manhole and sewer pipe on SE 42nd Avenue between SE Powell Boulevard and Rhone Street (see map on back).

The 24 inch diameter combined sewer pipe conveys sewage and stormwater when it rains. The repair work is scheduled in summer during dry weather when flows in the pipe are low. The construction zone will take up nearly the width of the road. Construction crews will excavate a nearly 30-foot deep trench to replace the manhole and sewer pipe.

Road Closure

SE 42nd Avenue will close to through traffic from SE Powell Boulevard to SE Francis Street during construction. The contractor will maintain local access for residents in the construction zone, but you should expect delays.

Bicycle Access

Cyclists traveling on SE 42nd Avenue will be re-routed to the sidewalk between SE Powell Boulevard and Francis Street during construction.

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Tree Trimming

Street trees and low branches will be trimmed to prepare for the large construction equipment the contractor will use on this project. Trimming will reduce the possibility of large equipment damaging trees and protect the public and construction workers. For more information about street tree pruning please visit Portland Parks and Recreation's Urban Forestry website:

www.portlandoregon.gov/urbanforestry

What to Expect During Construction

The project will have significant impacts on the surrounding community.

- Traffic congestion in the area will increase and you may experience delays in getting to your destination.
- Construction hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The contractor may schedule work during the same hours on Saturdays.
- Construction will create noise, vibration, and dust and will disrupt normal neighborhood activity.
- Equipment and material will be secured and left on the street after work hours.
- There may be periods of inactivity between construction phases.
- A city construction inspector will be on-site during work hours. If you have an immediate need during construction, the on-site inspector may be able to assist you.

Please let us know if you have concerns about issues such as disability access, medical deliveries, or business operations.

