

# Willamette River Watershed

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## SE 2nd and SE 3rd Avenue Sewer Replacement and SE 6th Avenue and Alder Relief Structure

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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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### Project Background

Environmental Services will begin construction on two inner southeast Portland sewer projects during the week of September 9th (see maps on back). One project will replace sewer pipes that are in poor condition on SE 2nd and 3rd avenues between Alder and Stark and restore the intersection of SE 3rd and Alder. The other will install an underground vault on SE Alder between SE 6th and Grand to store sewage and stormwater during heavy rain storms to help prevent combined sewer overflows.

### Schedule

During the week of September 9th, construction crews will begin installing vibration monitoring devices, cleaning and video taping sewer lines, and digging potholes to locate utilities. Excavation and construction will begin shortly after they complete this pre-construction work. Construction, including final paving and restoration, will last a maximum of five months. Sewer construction will likely begin along SE 3rd Avenue between SE Alder and SE Washington, and then move to SE 2nd between SE Alder and SE Stark. Work along SE 6th and SE Alder will begin in September as well. We will continue to be in touch throughout construction.

### What to expect during Construction

- Typical work hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The contractor may schedule work during the same hours on Saturdays if necessary.
- There will be lane restrictions and closures with flaggers guiding traffic, including some one-way streets being opened up to two-way traffic. We will work to accommodate business and delivery needs to the best of our ability.
- You will have access to your property during work hours, but you may be delayed entering or leaving your street or driveway.
- On-street parking in and near the work area will be prohibited during work hours.
- Equipment and materials may be stored on nearby streets overnight.
- A city construction inspector will be on-site during work hours, and may be able to assist you with construction concerns. Inspectors typically wear a safety vest and hard hat.

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- You will have sewer service at all times, even when work is near your building.

**Thank you for your cooperation during this important sewer repair project.  
Please let us know if you have questions or concerns; we will be happy to  
work with you.**

