

Johnson Creek Watershed

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Eastmoreland-Woodstock Sewer Repair Project

Construction Update

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Construction continues on a project in your neighborhood to repair or replace about 40,000 feet of severely deteriorated sewer pipes that are more than 60 years old. The work will make the sewer system work more effectively and protect water quality, public health and the environment.

Construction should be completed by summer 2015. The project area is bordered by SE Woodstock Boulevard on the north, SE 28th Avenue on the west, SE 45th Avenue on the east and SE Crystal Springs Boulevard on the south. See map on back.

Construction Schedule

Below is the estimated construction schedule for the next couple of weeks. As the contractor completes construction on each street, a temporary asphalt patch is applied. They will return at a later date to apply permanent paving.

Week of March 24

- SE 44th Ave (between Lambert and Rex) – Connect or install manholes, and install new branches to connect houses to main public sewer pipe.
- SE Lambert Street (42nd to 44th) – Finish connecting or installing manholes and new branches to connect houses to main public sewer pipe.
- SE Knapp Street (36th to 37th) – Continue open trench construction.
- SE Knapp Street (37th to Cesar E Chavez Blvd) – Set up for open trench construction.
- SE Henderson (at 42nd) – Continue to construct storm drains.

Week of March 31

- SE Lexington Street (West of Cesar E Chavez Blvd) – Set up and pipe burst, connect or install manholes, and install new branches to connect houses to main public sewer pipe.
- SE Knapp Street (37th to Cesar E Chavez Blvd) – Open trench construction.

What We've Heard From You

- A neighbor reported that the contractor was working after 7:00 pm one night last week. Typical work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. On this occasion, the contractor had some difficulties with a pipe installation, corrected it and although it was the end of the work day, had to be sure to close the trench for safety reasons. This is not standard practice, but if there is an emergency or an unsafe situation, the contractor will need to extend their hours on rare occasions.
- A property owner reported a sewer odor coming from the basement floor drain earlier this week after the new sewer was installed on their street. The city inspectors investigated and did not smell the odor during their visit. If you are smelling sewer odors, please contact maintenance at 503-823-1700. Maintenance tracks and responds to any odor complaints.



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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. Learn more at www.portlandoregon.gov/bes.

What to Expect During Construction

- Typical work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, but may work during the same hours on Saturdays.
- Construction will create noise, vibration and dust and will disrupt normal neighborhood activity.
- Traffic control signs will be set up. The contractor will maintain local access, but you should expect delays.
- On-street parking in or near the work area will be prohibited during construction hours. Please plan to move your vehicle each day by 7:00 a.m.
- Equipment and materials may be stored on nearby streets overnight.
- There may be periods of inactivity between construction phases.
- A city 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.
- Please stay clear of all construction activities. Please keep your children from harm and instruct them to stay clear of all construction activities. We also appreciate your keeping pets and vehicles out of the construction areas.

For More Information

Learn more about this project at www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/EastmorelandWoodstock. To receive project updates by email, send an email to Debbie Caselton at Debbie.Caselton@portlandoregon.gov with "Eastmoreland" in the subject line.

