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Southwest Parallel Interceptor Ventilation and Capacity Improvements Project Construction Update

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An Environmental Services project to reduce sewer odors and increase capacity of the Southwest Parallel Interceptor sewer system is nearing completion. Since February, the contractor has installed 1,000 feet of 24-inch concrete pipe and six manholes along SW Taylors Ferry Road, and 800 feet of 48-inch concrete pipe and three manholes along SW Virginia Avenue. Construction continues on a permanent odor control facility east of SW Taylors Ferry Road.

Developments of Note

- Demobilization and restoration has begun.

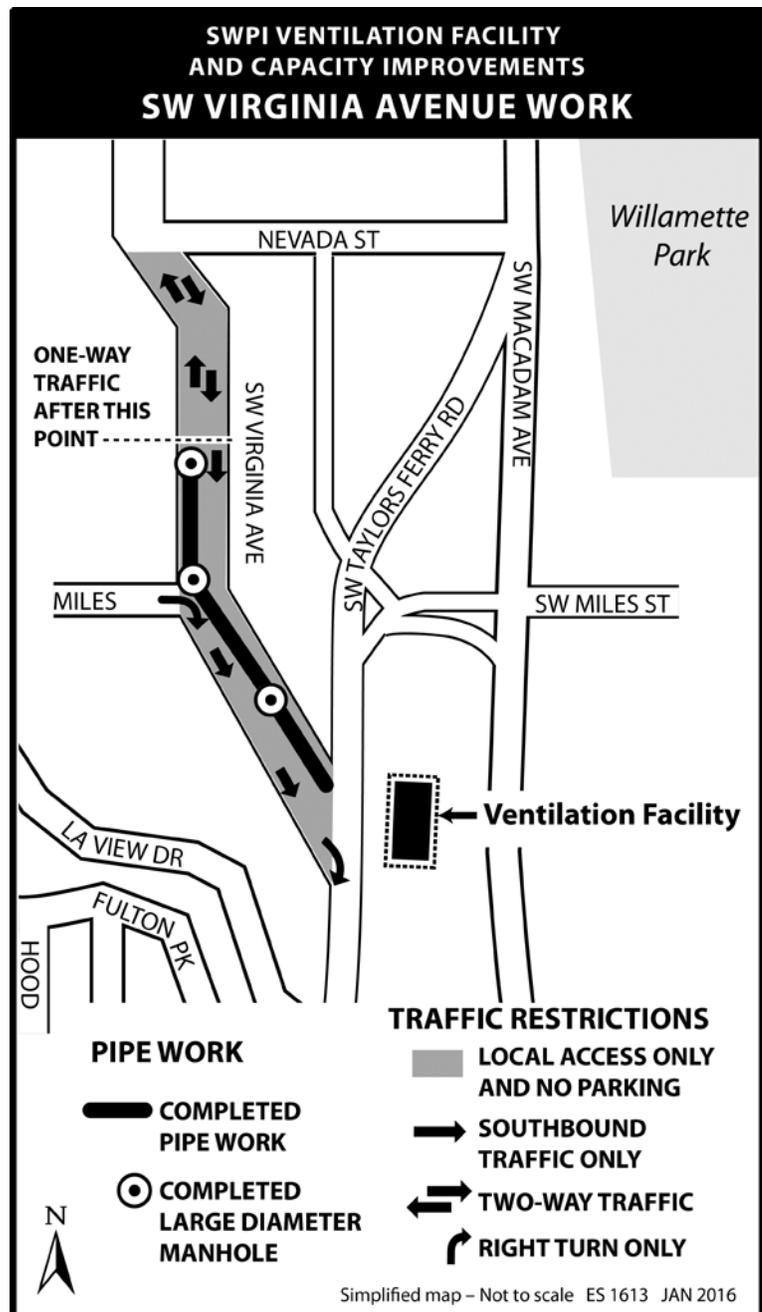
February - March

- Ventilation facility construction (on-going)
- Remove temporary bypass pipe
- Backfill and pave trench with temporary pavement
- Replace traffic median on SW Virginia at SW Taylors Ferry Road
- Final paving
- Restoration

This schedule is subject to change due to a variety of factors including underground conditions, weather, subcontractor schedules and availability of materials.

Work Hours

- 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The contractor may schedule work during the same hours on Saturday.



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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.

Scheduling Challenges With Final Trench Paving: Did You Know?

There is often a period of inactivity between completing sewer construction and final trench paving, usually because of wet or cold weather and paving subcontractor availability. During winter, pavers are in high demand on relatively dry, warm days and it can be difficult to schedule them. Sometimes the contractor schedules paving when good weather is forecast only to have the forecast shift to wet or cold weather that postpones paving.

What to Expect During Construction

- Parking in the construction zone on SW Virginia Avenue is prohibited where marked. In order to complete restoration and paving, the contractor will place no parking signs. Cars parked in those spots can delay construction and project completion.
- SW Virginia Avenue is southbound only roughly 200 feet north of SW Miles Street to SW Taylors Ferry Road. Please plan your trip accordingly and expect delays.
- The contractor maintains local access, but construction disrupts the normal use of driveways. Expect traffic delays during work in the intersection.
- Equipment and materials are stored on nearby streets overnight.
- An on-site city inspector may be able to assist you with immediate construction concerns. Inspectors typically wear a City of Portland safety vest and hard hat.

Let us know if you have concerns such as disability issues or medical deliveries. Please contact Ashley Tjaden at 503-823-5281, or email ashley.tjaden@portlandoregon.gov.

For More Information

Go to www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/swventilation for updated maps, schedule, and progress photos. For more frequent email updates, email ashley.tjaden@portlandoregon.gov with "SW Ventilation" in the subject line.

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