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## **South Waterfront Greenway Construction Update**

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This is our second bi-weekly update via the E-current and directly to our contact list. We hope you are finding them useful and informative.

The Portland Parks & Recreation website – [www.portlandparks.org](http://www.portlandparks.org) is also the place to go for accurate and up to date information on the progress of the project. We know that construction is inconvenient, messy and sometimes dangerous, but by providing accurate and timely information, we hope that we can at least let you know what to expect. Thanks in advance for your patience!!!

We continue to work with the contractor to finalize the construction details. This is quite an undertaking for a project of this scope and the devil is truly in the details.

While the permits were submitted some time ago, we continue to work through details with the Army Corp of Engineers and Bureau of Development Services to provide additional information and clarification on the project. We anticipate receiving the permits in late June. Once the permits are in-hand, we can work with the contractor to begin staging.

We continue to closely monitor the water level. It is essential that the water level be within a specific range to allow us to begin the river work. Water levels depend on a number of factors (all of which we have no control over) which include: rainfall, water released from dams, temperatures, and tides. Working with a team from a variety of disciplines, we are watching and hoping to predict when the level will be low enough to begin work. This is an inexact science...

Project staff met with the dahlia farmer to make sure the farm and the construction projects were not in conflict.

AND – the osprey are back! Happily remodeling their cozy and familiar home...

Next Update – More information on the construction schedule and how it will affect residents and businesses

And finally – We are planning to have a public meeting to give everyone a chance to talk face to face and ask questions. That meeting is planned for May 2, 6:00-7:00 PM, location to be determined.

Please let me know if you have any questions, Elizabeth Kennedy-Wong, 503-823-5113 or [Elizabeth.kennedy-wong@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.kennedy-wong@portlandoregon.gov)