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**North-Northeast Portland Sewer Repair Projects
Woodlawn-King Area**

Soil Sampling in Streets and Alleys

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Environmental Services is designing large-scale sewer projects in North and Northeast Portland neighborhoods to replace or repair 17 miles of 90-year-old, deteriorating public sewer pipes. The project areas will include construction in Piedmont, Humboldt, Woodlawn and King neighborhoods, plus a few blocks in Overlook.

In the Woodlawn and King neighborhoods, the city will repair about 11 miles of sewer pipes. The sewer repairs will enhance livability by increasing sewer capacity and reducing the risks of street flooding and sewage releases to streets, homes and businesses. While construction is still a year away, you may see crews in the neighborhood collecting information that will help the city design this project.

Soil Sampling

For approximately one week in August, crews will drill holes in streets and alleys and take soil samples at several locations to help engineers better understand underground conditions. Analysis of soil, rock and pavement samples will help identify which construction methods to use.

Prior to drilling, crews will mark underground utilities by painting stripes on streets and sidewalks or placing colored flags in landscaped areas. Each color indicates what is buried below. Go to www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/precon and click on "Survey and Utility Locates" to see what each color means.

What to Expect During Soil Sampling

Soil sampling will occur Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at locations indicated on the map (see back). Drilled holes will be a few inches in diameter and will be filled immediately after the drilling is completed. This work may require temporary lane restrictions and on-street parking closures. There may be brief periods of noise, dust and mild vibration during drilling. Work at each location generally lasts less than one hour.

For More Information

If you would like us to keep you posted on the project schedule, possible traffic detours, delays and lane restrictions during construction, please sign up now to receive updates by emailing rhetta.drennan@portlandoregon.gov with "Woodlawn-King" in the subject line.



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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.

