

Willamette River Watershed

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Sunnyside East Sewer and Stormwater Project

Soil Sampling Starts in the Coming Weeks

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This project will design and construct sewer and stormwater improvements that will upsize approximately 3,800 feet of 110-year-old public sewer pipe that is deteriorating due to age, install green street planters on public streets, and construct rain gardens on private residential and commercial properties in key locations. The sewer repairs will help relieve street flooding and basement sewer backups in the project area. The green infrastructure will keep stormwater out of the sewer system, filter pollutants, provide habitat, cool the air, and increase neighborhood green space for healthier watersheds.

Soil Sampling

For approximately one to two weeks, work crews will be drilling holes in street pavement and taking soil samples at several locations (see map on back) to help the design engineers understand conditions that construction crews may encounter. What the engineers learn from analysis of soil, rock and pavement samples will help them determine construction methods. Before drilling starts, crews will be in the neighborhood to locate and mark underground utilities by painting stripes on streets and sidewalks or placing colored flags in landscaped areas. Each color indicates what is buried below.



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What to Expect During Soil Sampling

Soil sampling will occur Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Crews will work at eight to ten locations a day. The 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 will last approximately one hour.

For More Information

We will be sending periodic email updates to keep you posted on the schedule, possible traffic detours, delays, and lane restrictions. Please sign up now to receive updates by emailing Debbie.Caselton@portlandoregon.gov with "Sunnyside East" in the subject line.



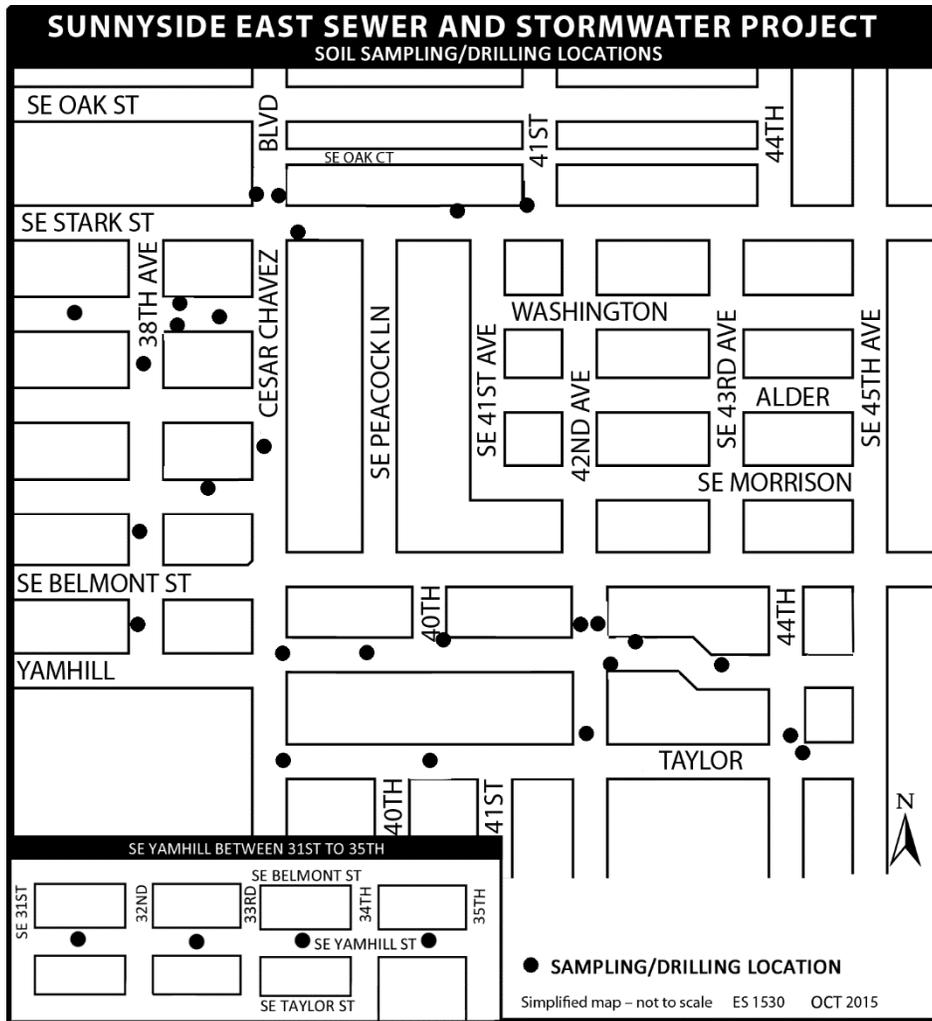
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Over one-third of Portland's 2,500 miles of sewer pipes are more than 80 years old. Portland combines sewer improvements that replace or repair Portland's aging sewer pipes with green streets, ecoroofs, trees and other green infrastructure to increase sewer system efficiency, and protect water quality, public health, and the environment. Green infrastructure keeps stormwater out of the sewer system, filters pollutants, provides habitat and increases neighborhood green space for healthier watersheds.

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