

King County Sewer Interceptor Project Update

Utility Board

September 23, 2020

Agenda

- Project Overview/Background
- Proposed Work Zone & Follow-Up
- Next Steps & UB Questions



Background

- o Existing NM/Enatai Interceptor was built in 1970's
- Pipeline upgrades will provide safe and reliable service for the next 50+ years
- Large project crossing multiple jurisdictions and requiring multiple permits:
 - o Mercer Island
 - o Bellevue
 - o DOE
 - o Tribes
 - o USACE
 - o WSDOT
 - o Individual Property Owners



Project Schedule

- Project has been in design for many years with multiple opportunities for Public Engagement
 - o Alternative Design Completed in 2015
- Predesign Complete 2016-2017

 County explored 15 Alternatives before landing on proposed alignment
- Last Update to Utility Board November 2019
- Anticipated Notice to Proceed in September 2021
- Construction Anticipated Q3 2021-2025



Project Alignment





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Proposed Work Zone

• KC Presented to UB in November 2019; significant concerns expressed regarding the proposed road closure at North Mercer Way





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Proposed Work Zone

- Proposed work zone utilizes two lanes for construction and reserves sidewalk for pedestrians until work is near the intersection of Island Crest Way/ SE 26th St
- Existing Site Constraints:
 - o I-90 retaining wall
 - o Condo retaining wall
 - o Narrow roadway width (24 feet)
 - o Existing utilities constrain the placement of the new FM
 - Vertically stacked new forcemains required due to space constraints



Proposed Alignment Schedule

Activity	Shorter Duration	Longer Duration
TESC/Traffic Control	1.0 - 1.5 Months	2 Months
Pipe installation		
Initial Restoration (finishing activities that lag behind pipe placement)		
Final Restoration (Paving, striping, etc.)	1.5 weeks (may follow later due to weather)	2 weeks (may follow later due to weather)

- Shorter duration closure long work hours
 - Option A: 7 am to 7 pm, Mon to Sat.
 - Option B: 7 am to 9 pm, Mon-Sat, 7 am to 6 pm, Sun.
- Longer duration closure normal work hours
 - 7 am to 3:30 pm, Mon to Fri
- Noise exemption required for work outside of 7am 8pm weekdays, and 9am 8pm on Sat, Sun, and Holidays
- Temporary relocation of residents closest to construction will be considered.
- Some activities such as pedestrian crossing improvements aren't considered in this schedule as they have no/minor traffic impacts



Project Timing:

- City & KC ILA (Q4 2020/Q1 2021)
- Notice to Proceed September 2021
- Construction Anticipated Q3 2021-2025

Other Components of Project & Benefits to City:

Pump station 11 (Fruitland Landing) Improvements:

- Originally built in 1960. The pumps were replaced in the 1980's.
- Rebuild and upgrade to meet regulatory standards and reconfigure for ease of maintenance and operation.
- Rehabilitate wet well. Concrete wet well has deteriorated from sewer gases and is in urgent need of rehabilitation.
- Replace pumps to meet operational requirements and extend life.
- Improve safety measures and simplifies safety protocols for maintenance personnel.
- Provide electrical system improvements to meet code and improve reliability.
- City will replace emergency generator, but County will perform related work.

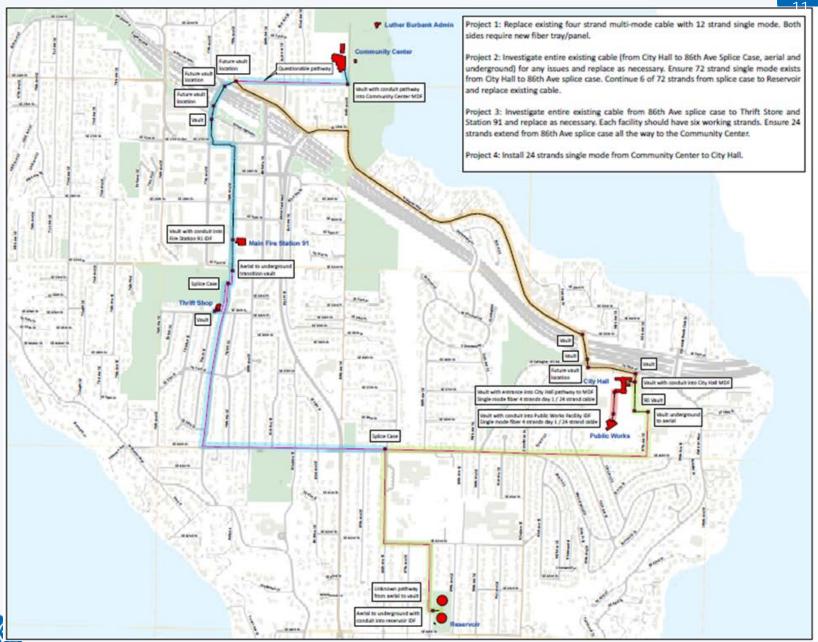


Other City Related Improvements:

- Sewer Repair/Replacement:
 - Line 400 feet of 10" sewer force main
 - Replace 280 feet of 8" sewer main
 - County will replace and take ownership of~500 feet of 16" sewer main under I-90 near City Hall
- Water Replacement:
 - Replace 250 feet of 6" water main
- Stromwater Drainage Improvements
 - Convert shallow roadside ditch on 90th Place SE to a piped drainage system
- Roadways and Trails Pavement
- City Fiber Option
 - o Link Critical Facilities (City Hall, MICEC, Station 91, Reservoir, Public Works Building
 - o Redundant Fiber ring
 - Communications (SCADA)
 - Control & Data Center (SCADA)



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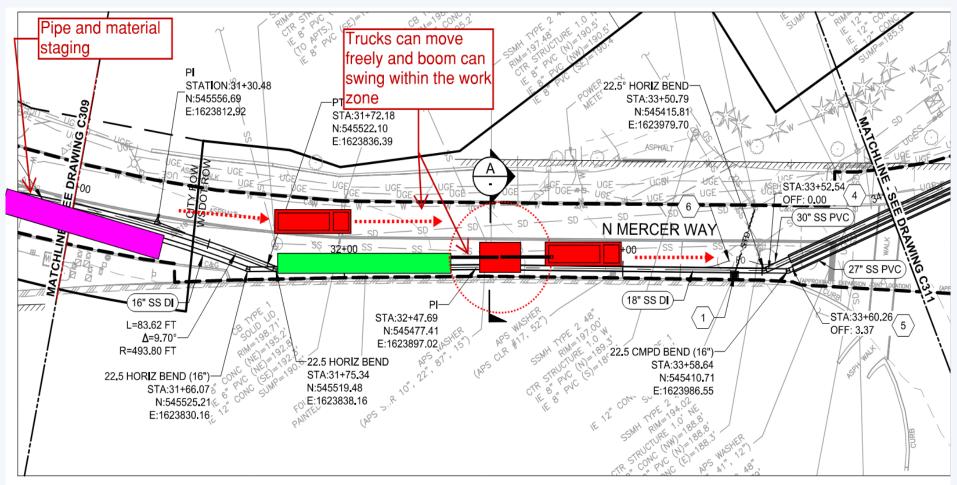
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Questions & Discussion



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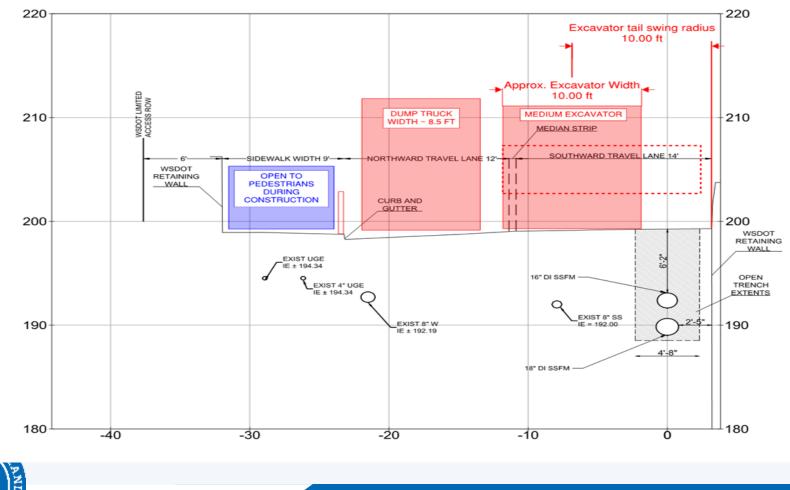
NMW Construction Layout





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NMW Typical Construction





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Considered Alternatives

- o Alignment in Planter Strip
- o Reduced Work Zone Width
- o Convert Sidewalk to Lane

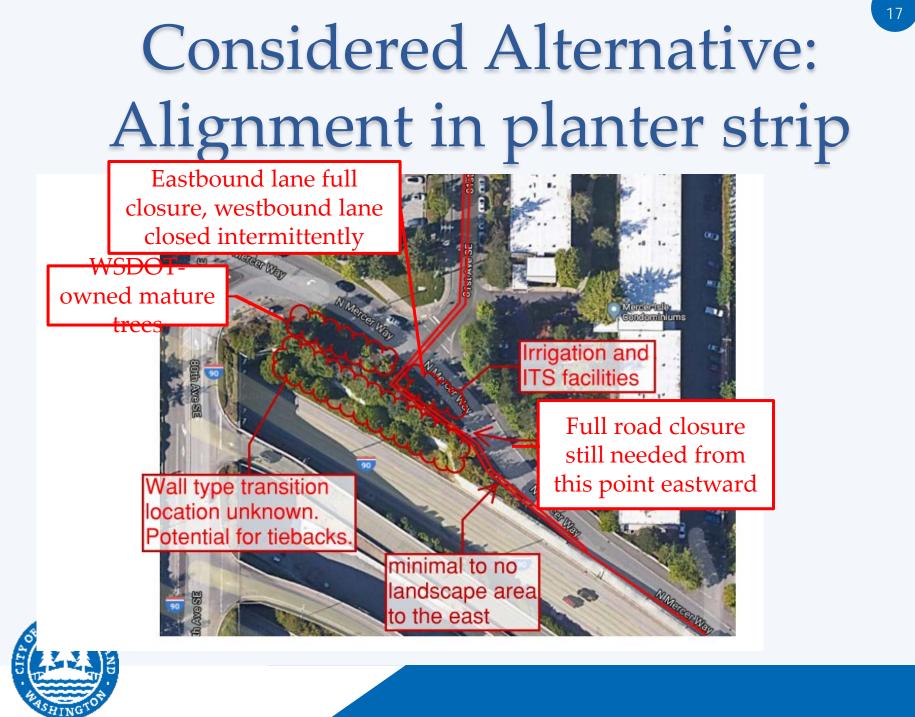


Alternative: Planter Strip

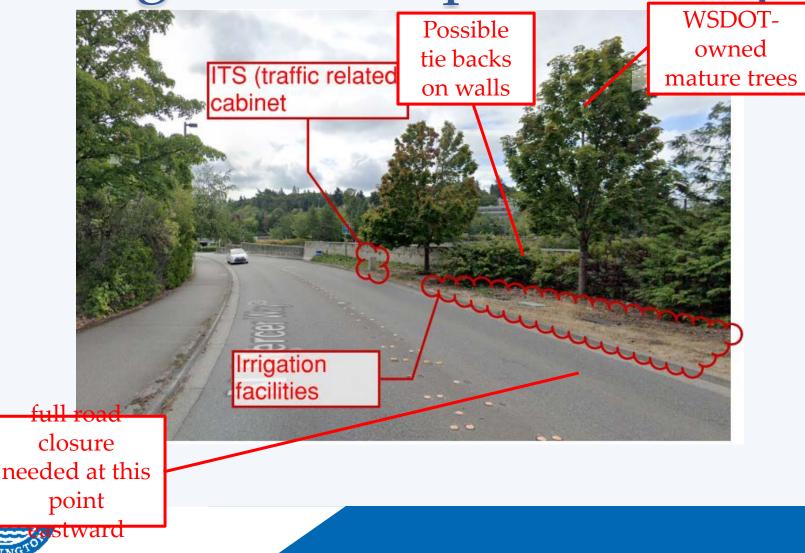
Note: this alternative still requires closure of NMW further east, and still requires lane closures and traffic control on NMW. This would also increase additional construction time.

- Infeasible for the following reasons:
 - Possibility of tie-backs used for 80th Ave SE abutment (per WSDOT feedback)
 - o Mature WSDOT-owned trees in the planter strip, with mitigation required
 - Existing WSDOT ITS (traffic related) equipment and irrigation facilities located in the planter strip





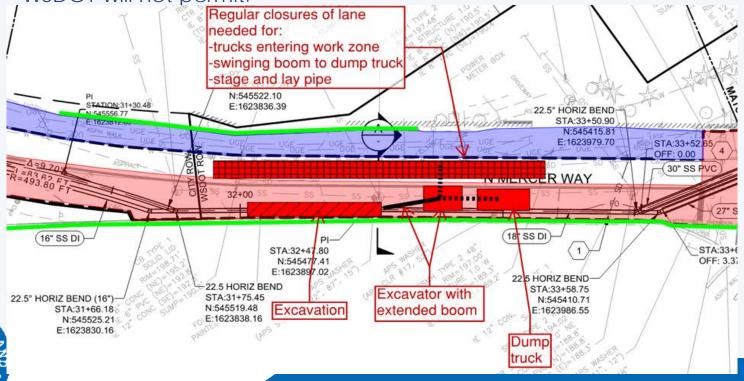
Considered Alternative: Alignment in planter strip



Reduced Work Zone Width

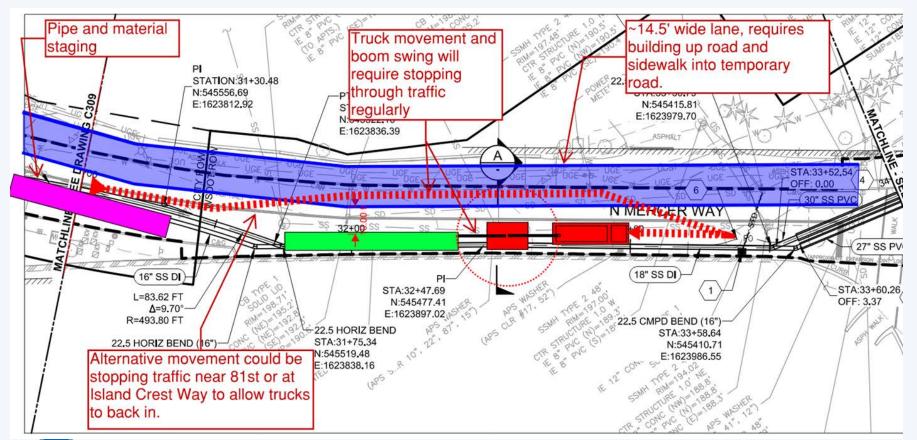
Reduced work zone allows for one lane to be open during construction.

- Truck and equipment will have to be adjacent to each other, blocking both lanes of traffic.
- Reduced work zone will slow construction and production rates, extending the duration of the project.
- Will result in significant traffic impacts and backups on I90 offramp which WSDOT will not permit.





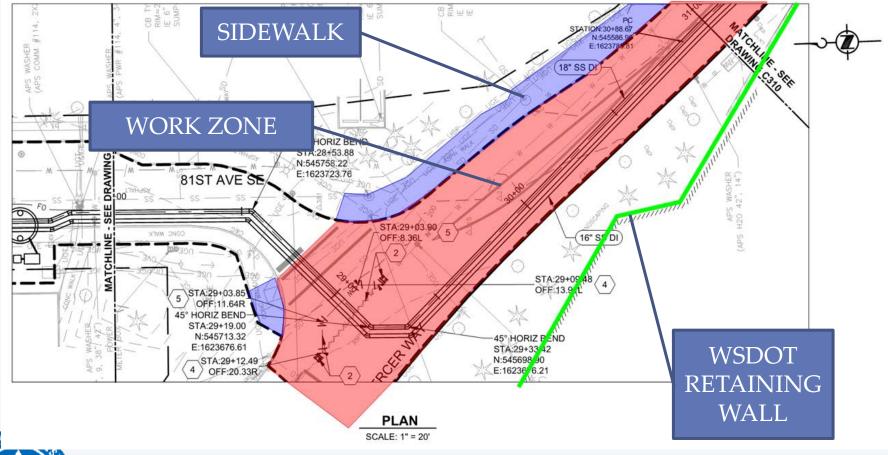
Considered Alternative Temporary Sidewalk Conversion





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North Mercer Way Configuration



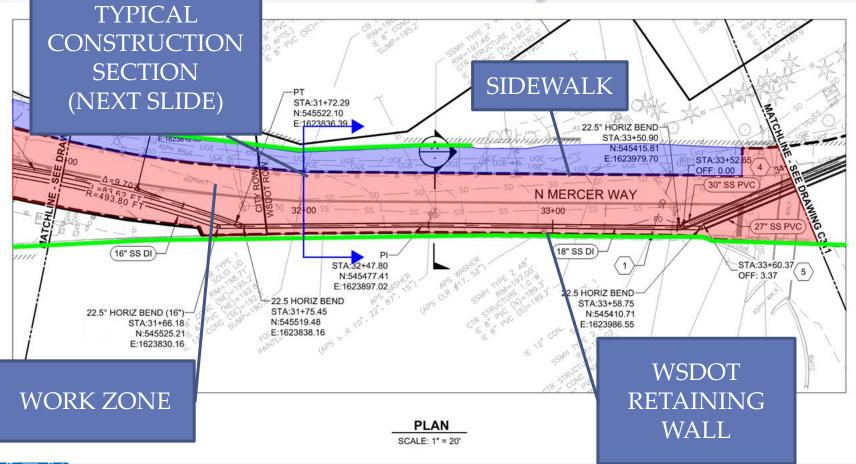


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