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What happens if the site does not drain within 24 hours?

Seattle Public Utilities' Operation Response Center maintains a 24/7 hotline for people to call and report drainage issues. If the completed project near your home isn't draining properly or requires maintenance, please call: (206) 386-1800.

Who is responsible for maintenance of the project?

SPU is responsible for all maintenance needs of this project including watering, weeding, and general upkeep. SPU will also prune trees and shrubs as needed. You will not be asked to pay for or perform any maintenance. In fact, it is important for residents to stay out of the project area to maintain their function. Plants will mature over time and the mix of plants will likely change, The planting strip that is not part of the NDS will be the responsibility of the adjacent property owner as typical for streets in Seattle.

See the following link for more information: www.seattle.gov/transportation/projects-and-programs/programs/maintenance-and-paving/property-owners-responsibilities

Will this project cause my basement to flood or drainage problems around my house?

This project is designed to carry stormwater straight into the ground, not toward yards or basements. SPU uses soil testing information to locate these projects only where the conditions are good for infiltrating stormwater straight down into the ground. If needed, the design of the site may provide an underground liner for extra protection.

Will this project affect street parking?

This project is likely to affect street parking. Seattle Public Utilities knows that parking and 2 Public Utilities knows that parking and 3 Public Utilitie

Will this project attract mosquitoes?

This project will not attract mosquitoes. Mosquitoes need stagnant water (found in bird baths, old tires, dog water bowls, etc.) and natural drainage systems are designed to constantly drain and keep water moving.









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For more information on mosquitoes and prevention, please visit: www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/westnile.aspx or www.seattle.gov/environment/WestNile.htm.

Will my children and pets be safe when the water is collected and stored here?

Natural drainage systems are designed with safety in mind. They will typically drain within 24 hours following a storm and, in most cases, it will be even faster.

COMMUNITY INPUT

How much input do you want from residents?

Community involvement is important to us and we will consult with you during location selection, design, and construction. We want to understand specific concerns and interests from you and your neighbors.

STAY IN TOUCH

SPU is happy to answer questions and provide any information you need to be informed about this project and its impacts to you and your neighborhood.

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Visit: http://www.seattle.gov/utilities/SouthThorntonNDS



