

SW HOLLY ST & 47TH PL SW STAIRWAY REPLACEMENT PROJECT

April 2016

IMPROVING SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY AT SW HOLLY ST & 47TH PL SW

Several City-owned stairways were built in the mid-1900s, with some built as early as the 1920s. We periodically inspect each stairway to check conditions and identify a list of needed repairs.

The stairway at 47th Pl SW has been prioritized for safety improvements, scheduled for spring/summer 2016. These improvements will ensure the stairs meet current safety standards, and are a step forward in improving pedestrian connections and accessibility in our city.

PROJECT ELEMENTS

The planned improvements include:

- Removing and replacing the existing stairs with a new staircase made of reinforced concrete, with uniform treads and spacing
- Replacing the landings
- Installing new handrails on each side, with a second handrail at a lower height to accommodate adults and children

CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

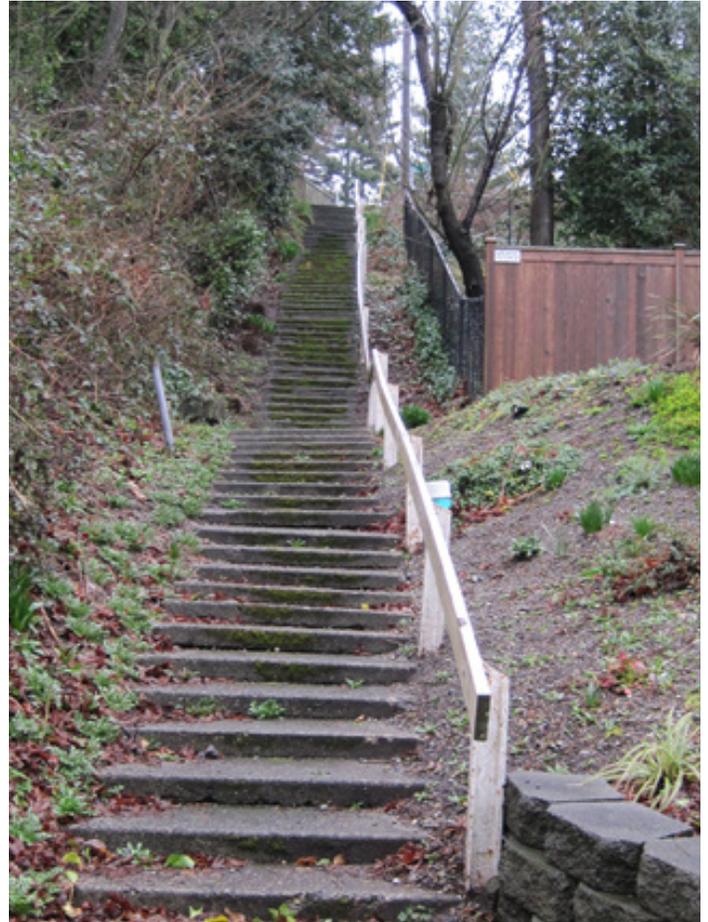
Construction of the new stairway is expected to begin as soon as May 2016 and will take approximately two months to complete, weather permitting.

PROJECT FUNDING

This project is funded by SDOT's Stairway Rehabilitation Fund and the Levy to Move Seattle.

Watch for additional construction information in the coming weeks.

EXISTING STAIRWAY



STAIRWAY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

SDOT owns and maintains more than 500 stairways, totaling over 6 miles, as part of our Stairway Maintenance Program. People use these stairways to shortcut their way up or down a hill and get from one street to another. They connect us to schools, parks, playgrounds, senior centers, and bus stops, and also serve as a place to exercise. Due to the steep and sloping nature of Seattle's landscape, many of our streets are connected by these pedestrian stairways, serving as a vital community resource.

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