

Dear Ship Canal Project Stakeholder:

Seattle Public Utilities and King County are working together to build an underground storage tunnel to prevent polluted water from overflowing into the Lake Washington Ship Canal during heavy rain.

The 2.7-mile, approximately 14-foot diameter Ship Canal Water Quality Project tunnel will capture and temporarily hold more than 15 million gallons of stormwater mixed with some sewage that currently overflows in Ballard, Fremont, Queen Anne, and Wallingford during heavy rains. When the storm passes, flows will be sent to the existing West Point Wastewater Treatment Plant in Magnolia.

What's happening now?

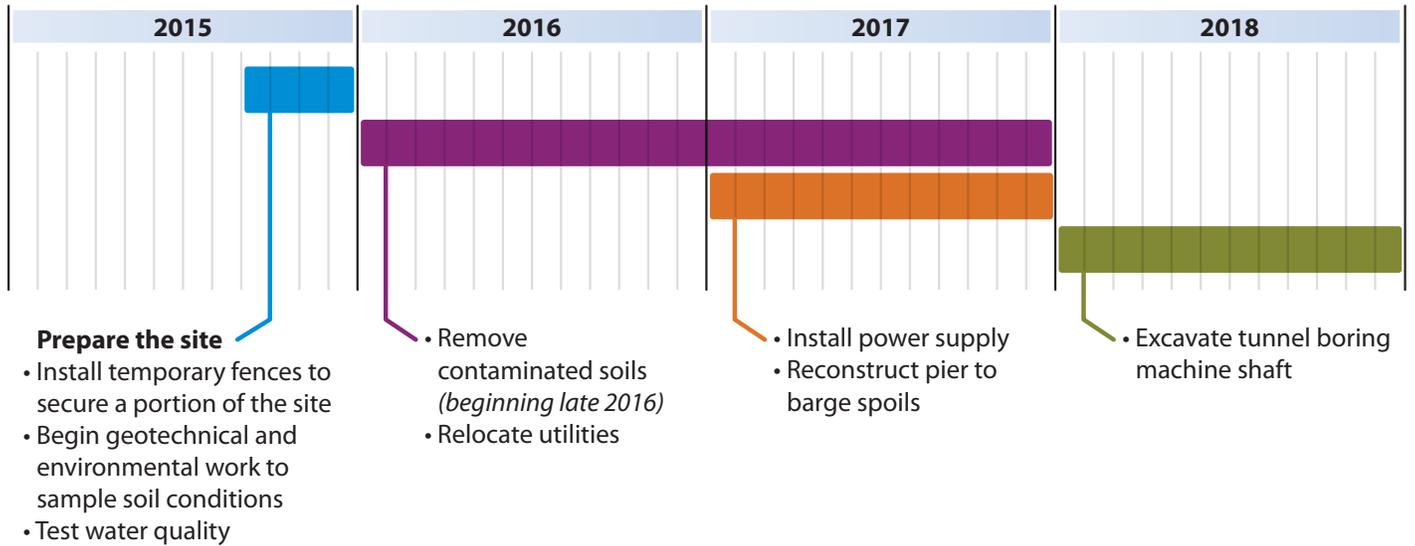
SPU is obtaining a few properties needed to construct the Ballard portion of the Ship Canal Project, including the site of the former Yankee Grill near Shilshole Avenue NW and NW Market Street and an adjoining property. We have a lot of work to do before construction can begin.

Over the next several months we will continue the process of acquiring the full site. In the meantime, we have "use and possession" of the property, which means we are responsible for the safety and security of the property, and we can start initial work. In the near term, you will see fencing installed, as we begin preparing the site for early work (see reverse for timeline).

Pre-construction area



Timeline



What you can expect during pre-construction work?

- Construction equipment, such as drilling rigs, and vehicles onsite
- Periodic construction related noise
- Crews working onsite during weekday, daytime hours



▲ Removal of contaminated soils at North Transfer Station



< Geotechnical work in Ballard southwest of Shilshole Ave. NW

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. For more information about the Ship Canal Project and to watch a short project video, visit www.seattle.gov/util/shipcanalproject or contact us at SPU_ShipCanalProject@seattle.gov or 206-684-7413.

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