



**Water shapes  
our lives,  
so let's work  
together to  
shape Seattle's  
water future.**

*Photo courtesy of the Seattle Department of Transportation.*

**S**hape Our Water is a community-centered project to plan the next 50 years of Seattle's drainage and wastewater systems. Seattle Public Utilities invites you to look with us beyond pumps, pipes and green infrastructure to imagine the benefits investments will bring into our everyday lives.

### **Vast, invisible, essential: drainage and wastewater systems shape our city**

Seattle Public Utilities builds and manages a drainage and wastewater system that affects how Seattle looks, feels and functions as rainwater falls and water flows through city streets, creeks, pipes and lakes all the way down to the Puget Sound.

How does drainage and wastewater infrastructure impact neighborhoods, streets and parks? Access to jobs and the health of small businesses? Beyond keeping natural waterways clean and preventing flooding, future drainage and wastewater investments can create many different community benefits and make Seattle more just and equitable for everyone who lives here.

### **Water is our greatest resource. We believe Seattle's water future should be planned together as a community.**

Shape Our Water aims to break down barriers to involvement in planning and hear from those who have not previously had a fair opportunity to shape drainage and wastewater decisions. Together we can guide Seattle towards becoming a more resilient, innovative city that supports all of its residents.

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### **Rain or shine, we need your help to prepare for tomorrow**

Over the coming decades Seattle will face huge challenges and big planning questions. How do we manage our waters in the years to come? How do we respond to climate change? Population growth? What about housing affordability and displacement? Flooding and potential earthquakes? How can we make our water system more resilient in the face of change? What are our priorities? **More importantly, what are your priorities?**

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