

# North Transfer Station Odor Evaluation Project

Spring 2024



## Project Background

Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) operates the North Transfer Station, located in Wallingford. SPU strives to be a good neighbor and maintain air quality standards, including controlling odors.

As part of its commitment to being a community-centered space, SPU is working to evaluate odor complaints by assessing current conditions and developing potential solutions for mitigating odors.



*As part of its commitment to be a space that serves the community, SPU is carrying out an odor assessment at the North Transfer Station.*

## Project Updates

SPU hired Jacobs Engineering Group, a national consulting firm with expertise in odor control and a strong local presence, to help with this project. Since Spring 2023, we have:

- Collected warm weather seasonal odor samples in June 2023.
- Evaluated new odor complaints, weather data, and current operating conditions to identify possible operational improvements.
- Modeled site-specific odor patterns and impacts using odor sample results, terrain data, air discharge velocity, and direct weather observations.
- Assessed operational improvement cost solutions and feasibility of implementation based on modeling results.

## Next Steps

This year, we will finish evaluating data gathered to date, share our findings and outline next steps at a virtual workshop. We plan to hold this workshop later this year. For more information on the North Transfer Station and upcoming workshops, please visit our [project website](#).

### To report an odor near the North Transfer Station:

SPU\_North\_Transfer\_Station\_Hotline@seattle.gov | (206) 684-8555

Please include date and time of odor, approximate street address where odor was noticed, and a general description of the odor.