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## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

### Green Duwamish River Ecosystem Restoration Upper Springbrook Creek Project

The City of Renton in partnership with the US Army Corps of Engineers is continuing to proceed with constructing the Green Duwamish River Ecosystem Restoration Upper Springbrook Creek project. The project includes the replacement of a degraded roadside ditch along the north side of South 55<sup>th</sup> Street with a new constructed channel and a new fish passable box culvert to replace the existing undersized culvert that conveys Upper Springbrook Creek across South 55<sup>th</sup> Street. The project will improve fish rearing, spawning habitat, and improve passage across South 55<sup>th</sup> Street.

Project construction started on **May 27, 2011** and is expected to be completed in **October 2011**.

The first phase of work to excavate a new channel in the on the north side of South 55<sup>th</sup> Street is underway. The contractor to relocate the CenturyLink (formally Qwest) fiber optic ductbank that runs down South 55<sup>th</sup> Street started work on July 15, 2011 and is anticipated to be completing the work associated with the relocation of the fiber optics utility by July 29, 2011, or early the following week. The work is occurring in the area of where Upper Springbrook Creek crosses South 55<sup>th</sup> Street. The fiber optics utility has to be relocated so that the existing stream culvert crossing of South 55<sup>th</sup> Street can be removed and the installation of the new 10-foot by 5-foot box culvert needed to improve fish passage across South 55<sup>th</sup> Street. Relocating the ductbank requires setting up specialized equipment to move the ductbank and excavating a 220 feet long trench and installation of a sheet pile wall. During excavation, steel plates will be temporarily placed over the trench to allow vehicular access along the road and into driveways. The new box culvert installation will start in late August and be completed by or before September 30, 2011.

Project construction will occur during the day and will be restricted between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Safety is one of our highest concerns. We know there is a lot of interest in the project, but we request individuals to stay out of areas marked or taped off, as this is an active construction area.

Through traffic on South 55<sup>th</sup> Street will be maintained at all times; however, there may be periods during construction when the contractor may need to restrict access to driveways during working hours. The contractors will make every effort to restore driveway access as quickly as possible. South 55<sup>th</sup> Street will be restricted down to one lane during the relocation of the fiber optics utility and installation of the new box culvert. The CenturyLink contractor (Terra Technologies LLC) will work to minimize any temporary blockages, but you may experience some delays when travelling through the construction in this area. The contractors working on this project, PSI Inc. and Terra Technologies LLC will notify you 24 hours in advance if construction is expected to block your driveway for an extended period of time.

This project is funded by the US Army Corps of Engineers with matching funds provided by the City of Renton Surface Water Utility. If you have any questions about the project, please call the Steve Lee, Surface Water Utility Division interim Project Manager, at 425-430-7205 until August 10, 2011, and Allen Quynn, primary Project Manager, at 425-430-7247 after August 10, 2011.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during the project construction.