

City of Oak Harbor Clean Water Facility Project



Facility Construction Underway!

Oak Harbor celebrates the future with Clean Water Facility groundbreaking

City officials, guests of honor and project staff commemorated the beginning of facility construction with a groundbreaking ceremony on November 17. This event recognized the community's investment in new infrastructure that will serve Oak Harbor for decades to come. Now the work begins!

The City of Oak Harbor is building a new wastewater treatment facility in Windjammer Park that will:

- Deliver long-term reliable service
- Reclaim valuable resources from wastewater
- Enhance existing public open spaces
- Serve as an important anchor for other projects that will help to revitalize the downtown waterfront

The facility is expected to be fully operational in 2018. The city's unique construction method is allowing construction to begin while design progresses. See schedule inside for additional information.



From left to right: Councilmember Bob Severns, Councilmember James Campbell, Washington State Dept. of Ecology Northwest Regional Office Section Manager Kevin Fitzpatrick, Councilmember Joel Servatius, Councilmember Tara Hizon, Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Paggao, Councilmember Rick AlMBERG, Councilmember Beth Munns, City Administrator Dr. Doug Merriman

Construction cost progress

In September 2015, City of Oak Harbor project staff provided revised, lower construction cost estimates to City Council. The estimates were based on the "60% design milestone" reached in August, and set the stage for future conversations on how expected project costs can continue to be reduced. These lower estimates, which ranged from \$91.3 million to \$110.2 million, are considered a bracket of what the project could cost as individual components are bid and constructed.

The project team will continue to seek efficiencies in design and construction methods to reduce the project cost, which is helpful to overall sewer rates. Continued cost updates will be provided to City Council in mid-2016. In addition to city funds, the Environmental Protection Agency and Washington Department of Ecology have contributed to the funding of the Clean Water Facility, keeping the project as affordable as possible.



Clean Water Facility Construction, 2015 - 2018

What to expect

Work area and equipment

Work on the facility is generally contained to the fenced work area, with deliveries to and from the site. Visitors will see:

- Fencing around the work area
- Heavy equipment, noise, activity and truck traffic around the project site
- Equipment and materials staging

Work hours

- Typically 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. on weekdays
- Weekend work will occur as necessary; the community will be notified in advance of work planned outside typical work hours
- Windjammer Park is open – work will be limited or paused in anticipation of major park events

WINDJAMMER PARK *is open!*



Clean Water Facility construction map

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Working with the community

As part of our commitment to the Oak Harbor community, the project provides:

- Weekly construction updates (sign up by emailing treatmentplant@oakharbor.org)
- Advance notice of construction activities via email, web bulletins and project flyers
- One-on-one problem solving with residents, park users and community members directly impacted by construction activities
- Community drop-in hours (visit our website for more detail on dates and times)

These activities are further outlined in a City Council-adopted Clean Water Facility Good Neighbor Plan. The Plan outlines the City's standing commitment to be a good neighbor while constructing the new facility in Windjammer Park – the "front porch" of the City of Oak Harbor. More information can be found on our website: www.oakharborcleanwater.org.

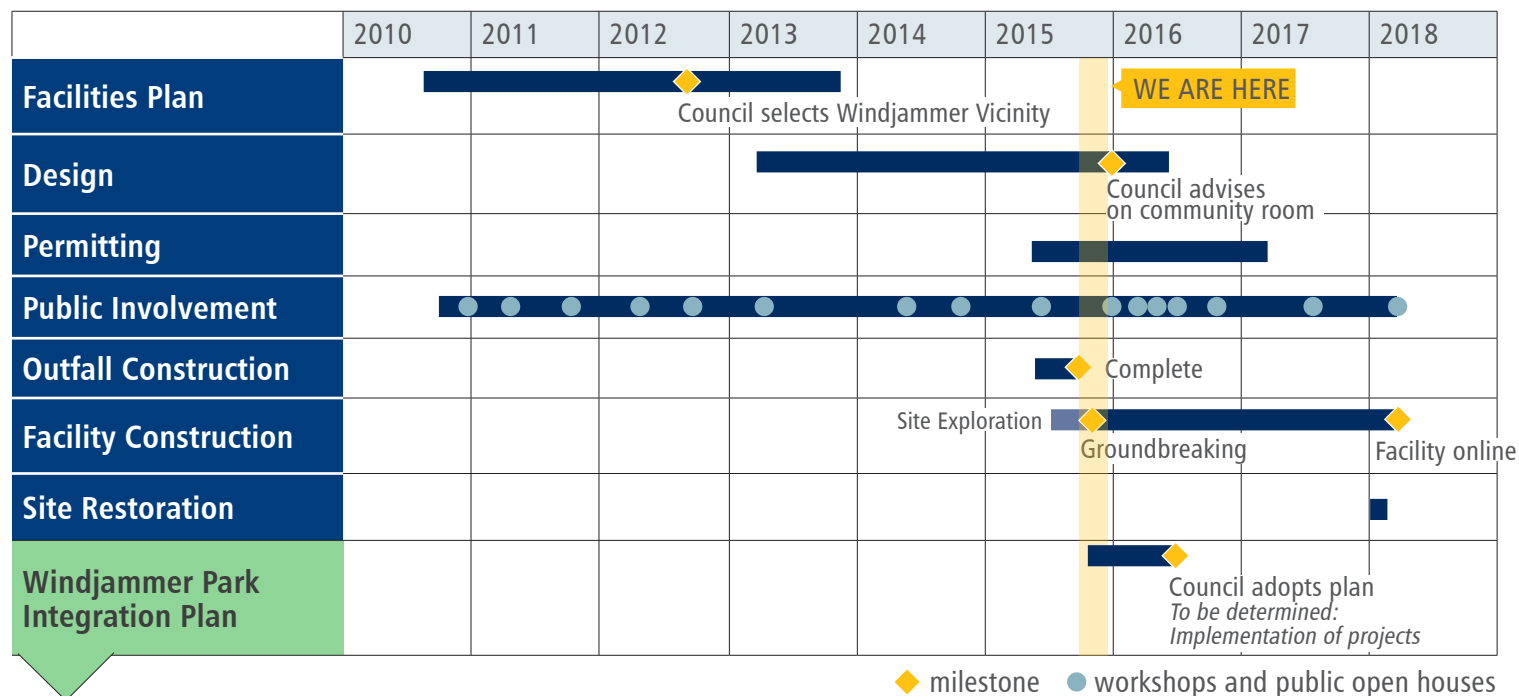
Outfall construction complete

Construction on the new outfall, which will carry treated water from the new facility into Oak Harbor Bay, is complete. Thank you for your patience as we worked at the street end of Southeast City Beach Street.



Project schedule

Crews are getting to work on the new Clean Water Facility. The beginning stages of construction will include deep excavation for the facility's foundation. While construction gets underway, the project team will continue to refine the facility's architecture and landscape design. To learn more about project activities, visit our website: www.oakharborcleanwater.org.



Interested in shaping Windjammer Park's future?

Siting the Clean Water Facility in Windjammer Park presents a unique opportunity to develop a long-term plan for the park, integrating existing and new elements in this special community space. To forward this planning, the City of Oak Harbor is bringing together a group to help guide the future vision for Windjammer Park. The community advisory group will represent the diverse experiences, areas of knowledge, and interests of Oak Harbor.

You can be a part of it!

The group will:

- Review information to understand elements that have been included in previous park plans
- Provide input on the elements included and layout of the future park
- Advise the city on the interests of the community for the future park

If you are interested in joining this group, visit the project website to fill out a statement of interest by Friday, December 11. Contact Steve Powers at 360-279-4511 or spowers@oakharbor.org with questions. The group is likely to meet five times, with the first meeting in late January 2016.

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Want more project information?
Send us an email at treatmentplant@oakharbor.org
or call 360-914-7000 to join our email list and receive
weekly updates.



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