

## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS), COMMENT PERIOD, AND PUBLIC MEETING

Project Name: Lake Washington Wastewater Lake Line Management Plan (LWWLL)

Proponent and Lead Agency: City of Bellevue Utilities Department

File Number: 22-112187-LE

Location of Proposal: Lake Washington shoreline within the cities of Bellevue, Beaux Arts,

Medina, Hunts Point, Yarrow Point, and unincorporated King County.

**Description of the Proposal:** Bellevue Utilities is developing a management plan to identify long-term operational and capital improvement strategies for the future repair, replacement and maintenance of the existing sewer line located underwater or on land adjacent to Lake Washington. The Lake Washington lake line system includes 14.6 miles of sewer lines, as well as 15 pump/lift stations and 8 flush stations.

**Programmatic EIS**: A "programmatic" EIS will be prepared to inform the Lake Washington Wastewater Lake Line Management Plan (LWWLL). No construction is currently planned or proposed. Future repair, replacement or maintenance activities of the wastewater lake line and associated facilities will require separate project-level environmental review.

**Alternatives:** Note that different areas of the system may have different selected alternatives - there may not be one alternative selected for the entire Lake Washington Wastewater Lake Line system. Implementation will occur over different time horizons.

Four alternatives are evaluated in the DEIS: No Action, In-Water, On-Shore, and Upland.

A complete project description, description of alternatives and background information is available on the project website for the <u>Lake Washington Wastewater Lake Line</u> Management Plan.

**State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) DEIS Comment Period:** Agencies, affected tribes and members of the public are invited to comment on the DEIS. The DEIS process is being provided pursuant to the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) WAC 197-11-455 and will include one virtual public meeting.

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**Comment Deadline:** The DEIS public comment period begins 8 AM on Thursday, April 6, 2023 and ends at 4:30 PM on Monday, May 8, 2023 Pacific Standard Time (PST). All comments related to the project DEIS must be submitted by this date. Comments may be submitted in writing or verbally at the DEIS public meeting. A valid physical mailing address is required to establish status as an official party of record.

You may comment on the alternatives, probable significant adverse impacts, proposed mitigation measures, and licenses or other approvals that may be required. Methods for presenting your comments are described below.

**Written comments** may be submitted online at <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">LakeLineEIS@Bellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">LakeLineEIS@Bellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">LakeLineEIS@Bellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">LakeLineEIS@Bellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">LakeLineEIS@Bellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or via email to <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or <a href="https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line">https://www.engagingbellevue.com/lake-washington-line</a> or <a href="https://www.e

Mailed comments can be sent to: City of Bellevue Development Services Department Attn: Reilly Pittman 450 110th Avenue NE Bellevue, WA 98004

A Virtual DEIS Public Meeting is scheduled from 5-6 pm PST, Tuesday, April 18, 2023. Attendees are requested to register in advance and may sign up to provide an official comment using the following meeting link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_qDsbKptMRyylRXROKbvuFw. Attendees may sign up in advance or at the meeting to provide verbal comments during the meeting. The meeting will be recorded and transcribed, and responses to the comments will be provided in the Final EIS.

Project-related information can be reviewed on the project website at: <u>Lake Washington Wastewater Lake Line Management Plan</u>. Please note there will be separate opportunities to comment on the Lake Washington Wastewater Lake Line Management Plan.

If an individual is planning on attending one of these meetings and needs alternate formats, interpreters, language assistance, or reasonable accommodation requests, please phone at least 48 hours in advance 425-452-6932 (voice) or <a href="Utilities@bellevuewa.gov">Utilities@bellevuewa.gov</a>. For complaints regarding accommodations, contact City of Bellevue ADA/Title VI Administrator at 425-452-6168 (voice) or <a href="adatitlevi@bellevuewa.gov">adatitlevi@bellevuewa.gov</a>. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, dial 711. All meetings are wheelchair accessible.



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