

Water Treatment Plant “Meet the Contractor” Open House Neighbor Questions and Concerns, August 7, 2013



Question or Concern	Response or Comment
Traffic and Parking	
Truck traffic on Mapleton, will trucks go in and out?	Plan is to primarily have trucks enter from Mapleton and exit on Kenthorpe. There may be times when this is reversed to accommodate construction activities. In cases where trucks exit the WTP site onto Mapleton, trucks will not be allowed to make left (southbound) turns onto Highway 43.
Trucks parking on Mapleton to unload or wait to enter site. Program has made promises in the past that have not been kept.	Contractor will not allow trucks to park on adjacent streets waiting to enter site. There may be an occasion when it is necessary to temporarily park on the street before entering the site. The contractor will use flaggers during this time.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are we doing to make it safe to walk on Mapleton or Kenthorpe with increased traffic? • Kids and pets running into street • The pre-construction contractor has been speeding on both roads • Will notify us before the speed signs go up? 	<p>Contractors and all subs are required to obey the 20 MPH Construction Speed Limit signs that will be posted. A 5-foot pedestrian/bike way will be maintained through the construction zone</p> <p>The project team will mention this to the pre-construction contractor.</p> <p>Since the signs only apply to the Contractor and subs, notification to neighbors will be a clarification only.</p>
How will construction impact traffic on Hwy 43? It is already gridlock at some times of the day.	The percentage increase in traffic to Hwy 43 during all phases of all projects is very small compared to the normal average daily traffic. Actual work on Hwy 43 is part of the pipeline contract. That work will be done at night. Any construction vehicles leaving Mapleton will be required to turn only right on 43.
Can a sign be installed directing trucks to exit the WTP only to the right onto Mapleton and left onto Kenthorpe?	Great suggestion. This will be done over the next couple of weeks.
Concern over the number of trucks that will be leaving the site that will cause a longer drive time in and out of the neighborhood.	It may be a slightly longer drive time out of the neighborhood if a resident is following a dump truck or other construction vehicle, since these vehicles are only allowed to travel at 20 MPH. All other traffic may travel at the typical speed limit of 25 MPH.

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You must find parking for four adults' vehicles at our home during pipeline construction. There is no place w/in 200 feet for us to park on the street.	Prior to the pipeline project, we will contact you to look at acceptable parking locations during the 1-3 days where you may not be able to park on your property or in your driveway.
Noise	
What can we expect as far as noise from the construction?	Slayden is looking at using equipment that is quieter than the typical equipment used for this type of construction. Noisy activities such as concrete demolition and excavation will primarily occur during the first year of construction. Noisy activities will be intermittent rather than continuous.
What hours do you plan to work? Do you plan to work Saturday or Sunday?	Generally, M-F, 7 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. No Saturday work is planned but may be used to stay on schedule if needed. Contractor may only work from 9 a.m. to 5 a.m. on Saturdays. We do not plan on working on Sunday. If it is required for any reason, the West Linn City Manager must approve first; unless it is an emergency.
Construction	
When will construction start?	Mobilization will begin August 19 th .
What kind of local workforce participation will the contractor have?	We are a local contractor using local subcontractors. For example, subs from Wilsonville, Tigard, Aurora, Tualatin, Portland and Vancouver will be used on this project, in addition to others.
Contractor experience	Slayden Construction Group has a good deal of experience constructing large civil projects including dams, parks, power, transportation, water and wastewater related projects. They have worked in Wilsonville, Corvallis, Bend, McMinnville, Salem, and Oregon City and other communities.
What will happen first?	Mobilization of offices and equipment, excavation of clearwell, pipe corridor and treatment tank. Auger cast pile follows excavation.
Will the piles be driven?	No, auger cast piles will be used. These were chosen because they would have the lowest noise or vibration impact on the surrounding neighborhood.
When will pipeline work start?	Early 2014
Is Slayden constructing the pipelines?	Pipelines are not part of the WTP contract. Pipeline bidding will occur in November, 2014

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Other	
When do we get the payment that we were promised by the City of Lake Oswego? We understood it was due when construction started.	(Refers to the lifting of the Covenants Codes and Restrictions, CCRs, from the Maple Grove Plat) According to the court documents, payment is due upon resolution of the LUBA appeal.
Will the contractor be employing temporary workers? We are concerned about the type of person the contractor is going to be bringing into our neighborhood.	Slayden hires skilled craft labor, many of which have spent years building their construction skills and abilities, much like those in professions outside the construction industry. Many of the jobs are technically demanding and require a great deal of commitment.
Concerned about the potential for hiring disreputable personnel. This is one of the reasons the name badges are important to them.	Slayden follows federal and state laws in all hiring practices. Many Slayden employees have been with the company for many years and our employees exemplify our core values, which are: People Matter, Team Unity, Solutions Driven, Future Focused.
Why do the lights along the pathway have to be 14 feet tall? Do they have to be turned on all night? (nearest neighbor)	The West Linn CDC (55.100(J)(6)) requires that illumination for parking lots and paths, overlap at a height of 7-feet. The height of the lighting standard helps to satisfy this requirement. The land use materials illustrated how lighting along the pathway will not cause glare on adjacent residences. The trail will be lit during all non-daylight hours that it is open to the public. At this time, we are not sure what those hours will be.
How will we keep up with construction progress?	Bi-weekly meetings for updates will begin on Thursday, September 5 and will be held the first and third Thursdays of each month. Meetings will be held at 8:00 a.m. at Burgerville, 18350 Willamette Drive.
Concern about litter along roadways.	The contractor is responsible for keeping the WTP site clean and in good order, as well as ensuring that no mud or debris is tracked onto streets.
Will we have a phone number we can call to talk directly to the contractor 24 hours a day? Right now you get the call center and they tell you someone will call back. Sometimes there is no call back.	The project phone line is in place and is the primary contact for project questions or issues. We will check with Dispatch to make sure that any after-hours calls are being relayed back to the project staff.