

Meeting Summary

Neighborhood Construction Update Meeting – West Linn



Meeting number: 017

Date: Tuesday, May 6, 2014

Time: 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Location: Burgerville, 18350 Willamette Drive, West Linn

Facilitator: Eryn Kehe

Attendees: Four treatment plant neighbors attended the meeting.

Project team staff:

Dennis Koellermeier – City of Tigard

Christian Colman – Slayden Construction Group

Katy Fulton – City of Lake Oswego

Ron Candell – Slayden Construction Group

Tom Lebo - Brown and Caldwell

I. Welcome & introductions

Eryn welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the agenda.

II. Today's topics of interest

Eryn asked the attendees what topics they wished to discuss at the meeting. The brainstorm of topics included:

- 1) Shoring methods for sheet piles - update
- 2) Website clarification – road closure information
- 3) Fire Department training at the treatment plant
- 4) Road closures during the pipeline construction on Mapleton Drive
- 5) Noise postcard notification – is the noise new or different?

Discussion is included in Sections III-V below.

III. Three Week Look Ahead

Christian indicated that Slayden is predominantly working on the northeast of the site, forming and pouring walls for the mechanical dewatering, gravity thickener and solid storage tank.

They are finishing work on the overflow slabs in the clearwell, forming/pouring walls for the ballasted flocculation, along with the shoring towers to support the roof formwork for both structures.

Work will begin on pouring concrete in the electrical building. The auger cast drill rig will resume drilling more piles shortly to support some of the piping on the site. This will complete the piles for Phase A of construction.

The three week look ahead can be found [here](#).

IV. Updates on previous action items

Katy provided additional information on the property damage claims process, and referred to the City of Lake Oswego property damage claim form. She mentioned that on the claim form it does specify that a claim must be filed with the City of Lake Oswego within 180 days after the occurrence of the incident or event. For more information, claimants should contact their insurance company or seek legal advice.

Katy also mentioned a few “new” items listed on the three week look ahead, including:

- May 14 – increase in unusual noise during work hours – pipe cutting to install new fittings and valves. Work should take one day to complete. Noisiest work will occur in the morning hours during pipe cutting. Postcard and email sent to neighbors about the work.
- The June 3 update meeting will be replaced with the Meet the Pipeline Contractor meeting. More information to follow, including time and location.
- Pipeline construction update – work scheduled to start on HDD portion first (north of Mary S. Young Park), with Mapleton Drive pipeline work to take place next year (Winter 2015).
- Site mobilization at HDD staging area at end of Mapleton Drive, to begin early June.
- Highway 43 exploratory digging for utility locates, mid-May through June, 9am-3pm, some night work within intersections.

Partnership staff provided the following updates on previous action items.

Item #	Date raised	Question or concern	Response or comment	Status
16.1	4/15/14	Are the transformers for the electrical building above ground or below ground? Are they closed off? Concern from an attendee about the noise impact for nearby neighbors to the plant.	<p><i>They are located above ground. The transformers are designed to not need to be fan cooled, which helps mitigate noise.</i></p> <p><i>The upgraded treatment plant is designed to be much quieter with sound panels, thicker walls for new structures and additional landscaping to provide a buffer.</i></p> <p><i>5/6:</i> <i>Tom mentioned that the transformers will have a screening wall around them and are upsized to reduce the requirement for cooling.</i></p>	Closed
14.3	3/18/14	“Vibratory hammer” – process for installing the sheet piles in early February – have you found other methods?	<p><i>Christian stated that the area for future shoring is on the west side of the existing sedimentation basin and it is to support the new wash water structure. The work was originally scheduled for next year, but it could occur sometime this summer in July/August. The plan for shoring has not yet been determined. Once we have looked at it we will let neighbors know.</i></p> <p><i>5/6:</i> <i>Christian stated that Slayden has discussed bringing the washwater recovery work forward in the schedule, which would require shoring to support the existing sedimentation basins. Christian stated that bringing this work forward would be a risk and they will not pursue advancing it, so it will likely occur in Phase B, as originally scheduled, possibly in February 2015. Slayden’s modeling representatives are looking at different shoring scenarios. They are not sure of the amount of shoring needed, but are looking at alternatives. Once the engineering and sequencing of the work is determined, we will let neighbors know.</i></p>	Closed

V. Topics of interest discussion (from II, above) and action items

Questions and responses provided during the meeting are listed below. **Action items** are listed in the second table below.

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Is the claims form on the project website? It is stressful and time consuming to complete the form.	<i>No, the form is not on the website. The process that is in place for all City of Lake Oswego claims is to contact Scott Matthew at the City of Lake Oswego on 503-635-0220 or email smatthew@ci.oswego.or.us. Scott will either email you the form or mail it to you.</i>
Is there a reference or way you can state whether the noise is new/ different/more/ less and help describe it more specifically? If possible, can you mention the duration, in the postcards and notifications? The unknowing is difficult for neighbors and causes stress.	<i>The postcard was sent as a notification to neighbors that work will be unusually noisy on May 14, due to the pipe cutting. It is likely the noisiest work will occur in the morning during the pipe cutting. At this stage, it may only take a few hours. The Partnership will continue to provide as much specificity as possible in the updates, but things frequently change on-site. The Partnership will also continue to highlight in the email updates, when a new activity is anticipated, and the location of the activity.</i>
Report from neighbor on Kenthorpe of a “rumbling noise” during the middle of the night that sounds like it is coming from the plant/construction site. What could this be?	<i>Christian stated that there is a dewatering pump that runs 24/7, however this is unlikely to cause noise as it is located in the base of the clearwell. It may be an air compressor that turns on for a short period every hour; however this is confined within the existing administration building. It is not a new noise or addition since construction.</i>
Report from neighbor that for about 3 months there has been little cell phone reception in his house. Could this be because of construction or new equipment on site?	<i>No, this is unlikely. It would be best to contact your cell phone provider.</i>
On your website, it appears the next Burgerville meeting is scheduled for the morning, is that correct?	<i>No, this may be an error. The next meeting will be May 20, from 6pm – 7pm. The Partnership will update the website listing.</i>
How far is the closed zone on Mapleton Drive during pipeline construction? Report from an attendee that believed there would be minimal places where the road is closed.	<i>During pipeline construction on Mapleton Drive, the road will be closed in the work zone during work hours (7-7, M-F). The work zone is about 150 feet long. At the end of the day, the trench will be either temporarily patched or plated and road re-opened to through traffic.</i>
When will there be specific emergency response training for the new plant, not just on the tower cranes? Concern that the new plant is a potential target and hazard in the community.	<i>Slayden has previously requested emergency responders to train at the site, but it is up to TVF&R as to when or if they would like to train on the site. Tom stated that neighbors can contact TVF&R and request for training.</i>
Will there be cameras on site on the new plant? What will the camera radius be, where will they be located and will they be watching the neighbors’ yards? Concern about privacy and that there is a heightened security threat.	<i>Dennis stated that there will be fixed cameras on site. Staff monitoring the security cameras are supervised. The class of security has not changed from the current plant to the new plant. Most of the security for the plant will be hardened with enclosed structures, fencing and landscaping.</i>
It appears there are half a dozen closures along the pipe alignment on the website, is that what it will be like in West Linn? (Attendee asked question on behalf of a neighbor)	<i>Katy mentioned that the Google map on the website indicates where work is currently underway in the project – from Gladstone to Tigard. You can zoom into the area of interest and view where work is occurring, current road detours and closures (in red) and single-lane closures with flaggers (orange). There are currently no detour routes in West Linn as work on the pipeline has not yet started.</i>
What will you offer for neighbors near the HDD site during the 24 hour continuous pullback work? Noise travels up Mapleton Drive from the river, also across from 99E in Gladstone.	<i>There will be a relocation package for immediate neighbors located within 300 feet to the HDD site during the pipe pullback, as this will occur for 24 hours per day for up to three days. At this stage, pullback is expected to occur sometime in December.</i>

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VI. Wrap up and next meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 6p.m.** at Burgerville, 18350 Willamette Drive, West Linn.

The **June 3 meeting will be replaced with a Meet the Pipeline Contractor Meeting.** Location and time to be confirmed.

Thank you to those who attended the meeting. Thank you to Burgerville for providing the meeting space, cookies and coffee.