Construction of the Arbutus Attenuation Tank

The Wastewater Treatment Project includes construction of the Arbutus Attenuation Tank, an underground concrete tank that will temporarily store wastewater flows during high volume storm events to reduce the number of sewage outflows. Site clearing is anticipated to begin February 21 and take approximately three weeks. This work is taking place now before the bird nesting season begins. Construction of the tank is anticipated to begin later in the spring and will take approximately 14 months to complete.

The Arbutus Attenuation Tank will be located on CRD-owned land in Haro Woods that is already partially cleared and has been previously disturbed during the construction of existing sewers. This site was chosen to minimize impacts to trees. Once construction is complete, the site will be planted with vegetation appropriate for the local woodland setting.

What to Expect

- Removal of trees and brush within the construction site and laydown area will be completed by arborists.
- Construction of a temporary laydown area with site offices and facilities that includes the installation of geotextile cloth and clean crushed drained rock to protect the area.
- Excavation and concrete works for the underground tank.
- Connection to the existing conveyance system.
- Temporary construction fencing will be erected around the site during construction. Public access will be restored once construction is complete.

Work Hours

- Monday to Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Traffic Impacts

- Work will be contained to the site and there may be minimal traffic impacts.
- Pedestrian access to the trails within the site will be restricted for public safety during construction and restored upon completion.

About the Wastewater Treatment Project

The Wastewater Treatment Project will provide tertiary treatment for wastewater from the core area municipalities of Victoria, Esquimalt, Saanich, Oak Bay, View Royal, Langford and Colwood, and the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations by the end of 2020.

Thank you for your patience as this work is completed.

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