

## A Message from the Port Regarding the Port of Seattle's Flight Corridor Safety Program and Replanting Plan

Dear Airport Neighbors:

We are contacting you because you've expressed an interest in the Port of Seattle's Flight Corridor Safety Program and Replanting Plan, a program that replaces over-height trees with native, low-growing trees and shrubs in Sea-Tac Airport's flight corridor. In late 2016, the Port Commission, responding to community concerns, voted to modify the program, approving work on select Port properties while calling for more community engagement before determining the removal and replanting approach for trees on Port property near South 200<sup>th</sup> Street.

This week, invasive vegetation, tree removal and site preparation work will occur on Port property on the airfield's west-side, with replanting to occur in the coming months.

On **February 1, from 6 to 8 PM**, the Port will host its next open house on the program in the **SeaTac Community Center Banquet Room** (13735 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue S., SeaTac). Interpreters and child care will be available at the open house.

### Stations at the Flight Corridor Safety Program open house will:

- Update the public on removal and replanting work underway on select Port properties
- Seek public input on removal and replanting approaches for Port properties near South 200<sup>th</sup> Street
- Offer information and seek public input on the Port's [Airport Communities Ecology Fund](#) to invest in environmental projects and programs in SeaTac, Burien and Des Moines
- Provide general information about the program's overall timeline and environmental elements

For more information about the program and the modifications made by the Port Commission in late 2016, read the Port's November [press release](#) and visit the program's [webpage](#).

Thank you again for your active interest in the Port's program to ensure safe aircraft takeoffs and landings.

To keep up-to-date about the Port of Seattle and Port-wide activities, please sign-up to receive Connections, the Port's twice-monthly email [newsletter](#).



## Firs Mobile Home Park Relocation Plan Appeal

Thursday evening an appeal hearing was conducted regarding the City's approval of the Relocation Plan for the Firs Mobile Home Park. Each party to the appeal was represented by legal counsel; including the City, the Firs Mobile Home Park residents and Fife Motel, Inc. the property's owner. The parties presented their arguments to the Hearing Examiner. During the comment period several tenants and others spoke on behalf of the Homeowners Association with the assistance of an interpreter.

At the conclusion of the three hour hearing the Examiner announced that the record of the proceedings would remain open for a period of seven days concluding at the close of business on January 26. During this time additional written testimony can be provided. The City will then have seven days to provide written information and responses to any additional testimony received. At that time the Hearing Examiner will take all testimony into consideration and prepare the decision on the appeal.

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## Citizen Advisory Committee Vacancies

The City has immediate vacancies on the following Citizen Advisory Committee. This committee serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council, assisting in decision-making and the setting of City policies. Terms of service varies. It's a great opportunity to make a positive impact!

### **Applications will be accepted until position is filled:**

- **Neighborhood Sidewalk Committee**

Meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM at SeaTac City Hall

If you are interested in serving on this committee, visit the city's website at [www.ci.seatac.wa.us](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us) for additional information or to download an application, or contact the City Clerk's Office at 973.4660. All positions are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

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# POLICE NEWS

## Man Shot While Sleeping

On January 19 at about 12:30 AM, SeaTac and Burien Police officers responded to numerous reports of gun shots near S. 128th Street and 26th Avenue S. One caller in the 12800 block of 26th Avenue S. said their house had been struck multiple times by bullets. When deputies arrived they found shell casings on the ground in front of the house and bullet holes in the exterior walls of the house as well as a parked car. No one was injured at the house.

Within minutes police received another 911 call from the next door neighbor's house saying a man had been shot in the head. Deputies ran to the house and found a 74 year old man in bed with a gunshot wound to the head. Police believe a stray round from the shots next door went through the wall of his house and struck him as he slept. Medics arrived and transported the man to Harborview where he died hours later.

Guardian One the King County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) police helicopter and K9 units were used to try to locate the suspect, with negative results. KCSO Major Crimes Detectives are investigating, assisted by SeaTac Police. If anyone has information about this shooting, please call 911 or the SeaTac Police at 973.4900.

# CONSTRUCTION AND TRAFFIC ALERTS

## Intersection Improvements at Military Road S. and S 200th Street

Construction work by WSDOT is continuing on the Southbound I-5 interchange at Military Road South and South 200th Street. This work will widen and realign the intersection and install new traffic signals to allow for easier access between I-5 and, the Angle Lake Light Rail Station, and the City of SeaTac. Please plan alternate routes around the area if possible. Please contact 440.4DOT (4368) for any noise related complaints or the 24-hour construction hotline at 888.298.2395.

What to expect:

- The intersection will be rebuilt in phases to minimize impacts to the traveling public.
- Motorists should expect travel delays during construction on South 200th Street, Military Road, the southbound I-5 off-ramp to South 200th Street/Military Road, and the South 200th Street/ Military Road on-ramp to southbound I-5 with increased delays during weekday commuting hours.
- Lanes may be reduced during construction. There may also be periodic I-5 ramp closures at this location. Signage and flaggers will help motorists and pedestrians get safely around the work zone. Ramp closures will be announced in advance using electronic message signs.
- Typical work times will be between 7 am and 5 pm on weekdays and nighttime work will also be happening. The City of SeaTac has approved a noise variance for nighttime work for this project.
- Expect noise from equipment breaking up and removing existing sections of asphalt and other activities (trucks, excavators, bulldozers, vector trucks, drill rigs, sawcutting equipment). Lighting will be used to illuminate the work area during nighttime hours.



## Daily Road Closure on Des Moines Memorial Drive

On January 11, Water District #49 started replacing a water main on Des Moines Memorial Dr. between Ambaum Blvd S. and S. 176th Street, closing Des Moines Memorial Drive in this vicinity during the day for approximately 2 months.

The daily road closure will take place on weekdays from 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM, with accommodations made for morning and afternoon Metro buses to pass through the work zone. The work zone will be open for local residents and emergency vehicles to pass through as needed. Please contact Bryan Koehmstedt, Water District #49 District Superintendent, 242.8535.

## Valley View Library January 2017 Events

17850 Military Road S. ~ 242.6044

### Children & Families

#### Family Story Times

Monday, January 23 and 30, 7:00 PM

Thursday, January 26, 10:00 AM

Family program, all ages welcome with adult. Stories, songs and fun!

### Adults

#### Citizenship Classes

Wednesdays 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Learn how to become a United States Citizen. Study for the naturalization test, including civics questions, reading and writing English and practicing your interview skills.

Classes are free, join anytime!

#### Talk Time Classes

Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 PM

Practice speaking English with other English language learners. Learn about American culture and meet people from around the world.

Classes are free, join anytime!

#### Sign Up for ORCA LIFT's Reduced Fares

Tuesday, January 24, 12:30 - 2:30 PM

Drop in to register for ORCA LIFT, a new, reduced fare on Metro buses, Sound Transit Link light rail, and more. Income-qualified riders, ages 19 to 64, can save 50% or more. To see if you qualify, check [www.orcalift.com](http://www.orcalift.com) or call Multi-Service Center at 253.838.6810. Please bring ID and income verification documents.

#### Drop-in to learn about eBooks

Saturday, January 28, 3:00 – 4:00 PM

Learn how to download eBooks, magazines, comic books, movies and other online services from KCLS! Bring your eReader, tablet, phone-or just your questions.

### Valley View Library Book Club - *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd

Tuesday, January 31, 7:00 PM



United Way of King County

### Free Tax Preparation Services

United Way of King County will provide FREE tax preparation services at 27 sites across King County from January 9 to April 20, 2017. Free tax preparation is available for households making less than \$64,000 and filing a basic tax return.

| <u>SeaTac Location</u>  | <u>Days</u>                       | <u>Times</u>   |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| Angle Lake Family Resource Center<br>4040 S. 188th Street<br>SeaTac, WA | Mondays<br>Wednesdays<br>Saturday | 5:00 – 9:00 PM<br>5:00 – 9:00 PM<br>10:00 AM – 2:00 PM |

For more information call 2.1.1 or visit [FreeTaxExperts.org](http://FreeTaxExperts.org).

## Website Links

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upcoming meeting agendas)

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