

Skykomish Cleanup



Construction update

June 30, 2010

Recent activities

- Excavation and backfilling at the 5th Street Bridge was completed last week. The bridge was reopened to vehicles and pedestrians Saturday evening, June 26, two days ahead of schedule.
- Nickels Brothers moved the Wheatley house back to its property today. Crews continued building foundations for the Cascadia restaurant, Ward, Town Maintenance and Community Center buildings.
- Crews completed one of the shallow metals excavations at the east end of the hydraulic control and containment (HCC) system. After the groundwater level drops, crews will grout the east end of the HCC system. This is expected to happen in late July or early August.
- Approximately 40,000 gallons of oil have been recovered this year to date.

What's happening next?

- No construction work will occur over the Independence Day holiday weekend (Saturday – Monday, July 3-5). Construction will resume on Tuesday, July 6.
- Confirmation samples in the excavation area east of the 5th Street Bridge showed some contamination extending into the back of the property north of Town Hall. Crews will excavate this area soon.
- Crews will continue foundation work for the Ward, Wheatley, Town Maintenance, Community Center and Cascadia restaurant buildings.
- Nickels Brothers will move Maloney's General Store back to its original location tomorrow and Friday (July 1-2), and begin foundation work. 5th Street will be temporarily closed while the building is transported across the road.
- In-river work near the bridge, Former Maloney Creek (FMC) East Wetland excavation, and FMC West Wetland excavation will occur during the fish window. Typically, the fish window begins this week, but due to high water flows may be pushed back several weeks. Final permits for in-river work are currently under review by the National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife. Because FMC East typically dries out early, vegetation clearing may begin as early as July 12.
- The amendment to the Consent Decree to restore the FMC East as upland was adopted and finalized. Copies of the amendment and the response to public comment are available at the information repository at the Skykomish Library and at Town Hall.
- Crews are currently completing a shallow metals excavation next to the Skykomish Library. This work should be completed today. An unknown water pipe was inadvertently hit, causing a short water outage west of the library. This pipe was repaired. Shallow metals excavations will also occur on the railyard next week.

Questions or concerns?

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