

Chief Sealth Trail Green Stormwater Infrastructure



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Project Description

Chief Sealth Trail Green Stormwater Infrastructure will be a water quality project in the Othello neighborhood. Located near the intersection of 39th Ave S and S Kenyon St, this will make landscape and drainage improvements to better manage the area's runoff. This project is an SPU partnership with Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and their Safe Routes to School program. After SDOT builds a new sidewalk at this location, SPU will install the green stormwater infrastructure.

Project Schedule

- **Early 2022** – Planning begins, with community feedback on project options
- **Late 2022** – Choose preferred project option
- **2023** – Design process
- **2024** – Start of SPU project construction

What Is Green Stormwater Infrastructure?

Green stormwater infrastructure projects include rain gardens, bioretention, and constructed wetlands. They typically use a combination of plants and special soils to manage water runoff from streets and homes. These projects temporarily hold and filter stormwater, improving downstream water quality for recreation and aquatic species like salmon. They can also reduce street flooding.

What are the Project Benefits?

- Manage stormwater runoff from 25 acres of urban area
- Healthier Lake Washington
- Open space improvements
- Enhance the use of the Chief Sealth Trail
- May reduce nearby street flooding



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