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Press Release

Contract Awarded for Construction of Discovery Corridor Wastewater Transmission System

The Clark Regional Wastewater District (District) Board of Commissioners recently awarded a \$19.7 million contract to Tapani Inc. of Battle Ground, WA for construction of the first phase of the Discovery Corridor Wastewater Transmission System (DCWTS). The project includes installation of a new wastewater pipeline connecting the Ridgefield/Interstate 5 junction area to the Salmon Creek Treatment Plant. Ridgefield's existing sewer treatment plant will reach capacity within the next several years and the new pipeline will be essential for continued growth in the region.

"DCWTS is an exciting project for us and an important investment in Clark County's economic future," says Neil Kimsey, District Commissioner, "DCWTS will provide the necessary infrastructure to stimulate economic development and also sustains our long-standing commitment to providing efficient, high-quality sewer service to our customers at the lowest possible cost."

Construction on DCWTS will begin in June 2014 and be complete by 2016. Work will be done in stages, generally progressing from north to south along the corridor. Funding has been provided through a Department of Ecology planning grant and two separate \$10 million low-interest Washington State Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF) loans.

Area residents and business owners can meet the contractor, learn more about the project and hear about potential impacts at two "drop-in style" open houses:

- Tuesday, May 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Safety Complex, 505 NW 179th Street, Ridgefield, WA
- Thursday, May 15th at 6:30 p.m. at Clark County Fire & Rescue, 911 N 65th Avenue, Ridgefield, WA

Local officials and dignitaries will celebrate the kick-off of construction with a special groundbreaking event on Wednesday, June 4th at 2 p.m. The event will be held at the northbound I-5 Gee Creek Rest Area at exit 11.

For more information or to sign up for the project notification list, visit www.crwwd.com/projects/dcwts or contact Shawn Moore at (360) 993-8849 or smoore@crwwd.com.

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