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**Lake Stevens Sewer District
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CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY AT NEW TREATMENT PLANT SITE

Across from the Huber Real Estate office, west of Highway 204 and south of 9th Street SW, you can expect to see increased activity in the form of cleaning, clearing and grading. This is the start of Lake Stevens Sewer Districts' Treatment Plant construction. As the spring continues, you'll see increased activity on site with excavation starting and, ultimately, the inclusion of a visible tower crane. The activity just west of Highway 204 will continue through 2011 before completion of this new water quality facility for the Lake Stevens community.

It should be noted that the District and City are currently actively seeking \$42.5M of additional funding from the Federal Stimulus Package, being discussed in Washington D.C. and Olympia. This would aid the citizens in meeting the economic demands of this project as well as the associated projects that must be built. As these are "Ready to Proceed" projects, the additional requested Federal funding would immediately stimulate local and state economies. It is the District and City's belief that local rate payers should be assisted and recognized in successfully meeting their long-term planning and water quality goals.

Expect periodic updates on the statuses of both the projects and the funding.