

**Lower Coal Creek Flood Hazard Reduction Project**  
**2017 Summer Construction Debrief – Draft Meeting Summary**

November 15, 2017 from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM  
Newport Yacht Club - 81 Skagit Key, Bellevue, WA 98006  
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**Purpose:** The purpose of this meeting was to hear residents' thoughts on the construction of the bridge at upper Skagit Key this past summer. The City of Bellevue's goal was to use residents' feedback to improve their experience next summer when Bellevue constructs new bridges at Cascade Key and Newport Key. Below is a summary of the feedback the City of Bellevue received during this meeting.

**What went well in 2017 regarding the construction of the bridge at upper Skagit Key?**

- Holding community meetings from 5:30-6:30 PM works well (note: the Skagit Key neighbors meeting was also at 5:30-6:30 PM).
- The construction was noisy, but it was not unbearable.
- The construction crews were friendly.
- The equipment was stored on the side of the road.
- The construction crew and contractor "did a good job."
- "The City was very clear and responsive when I contacted them about my concerns with the impacts from drilling the shafts."
- The project manager was very approachable.

**What was frustrating about the construction of the bridge at upper Skagit Key in 2017?**

- Garbage trucks had trouble maneuvering on the streets due to equipment and other trucks.
- A cement truck tried to back up into a resident's driveway, which could have damaged the driveway.
- Trucks and other vehicles were "constantly backing up."
- There were delays with the start of construction.
- It was difficult to drive on the road between the trucks and cars parked on the street.
- Residents who did not live in the immediate vicinity of the Skagit Key bridge were not notified about the drilling, even though they were affected by it.
- There seemed to be a lack of coordination among the franchise utilities, since it seemed like electrical, gas, and phone workers were "constantly" digging up and refilling the street.

**What are your concerns regarding the construction of new bridges at Cascade Key and Newport Key in 2018?**

- How will garbage collection take place, especially on Cascade Key where half of the street needs to be closed? Will we need to move our bins?
- How will traffic be controlled in and out of Cascade Key?
- How and where will construction equipment and materials be stored in 2018? This is especially concerning on Cascade Key.
- Whom can we call if there are problems with Puget Sound Energy or operational issues?
- How will drilling the shafts for the new bridges affect neighboring properties?

**What are your recommendations for Bellevue regarding the construction of new bridges at Cascade Key and Newport Key in 2018?**

- Include construction schedule updates in emails.
- Do not use door flyers/hangers. While they may be effective, there are security concerns with using them.

- Website updates and email alerts are more up-to-date than newsletter articles.
- Alert residents as to what time and date drilling will take place.
- Support for getting a temporary traffic light installed.
- Install an additional street light since it's hard to see around the corner on Cascade Key.
- Ensure that pedestrians can still use Cascade Key during construction.
- Rent out the Newport Yacht Club parking lot to store construction materials and equipment (this has been done in the past).
- Include buffers in the project schedule to allow for delays.
- Work with "Block Captains" to disseminate messages and announcements.