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RE: Montlake CSO Control Project

Dear Mr. Phillips, Ms. West, and King County WTD; Ms. Eastberg, Ms. Acosta, and the Seattle Parks and Rec. Board of Park Commissioners; and Mr. Mockos and the SPU CSO Program:

John Phillips, CSO Program Manager for King County, presented aspects of the King County 2018 CSO Long-term Control Plan Update that is underway. In discussion with the Montlake Community Club Board of Trustees, he shared information about sites that may be considered for development of a Montlake CSO storage tank in the King County 2018 Long-term CSO Control Plan Update. The Montlake Community Club, Montlake Community Center Advisory Board, and numerous individual members of the Montlake Community would like to offer our enthusiastic support for selection of the Montlake Playfield (at the Montlake Community Center) as the preferred location to develop a CSO storage tank.

We appreciate that Montlake is an important area to control CSOs in the King County's Protecting Our Waters program. Selecting the Montlake Playfield site to place a CSO storage tank presents an extraordinary opportunity to improve one of Seattle's parks at the same time, creating lasting benefits for the community that will meet the needs of generations to come.

We anticipate that necessary improvements to support the project would improve drainage and make the football field, track, baseball and the multi-use fields behind the Community Center usable throughout the year. We are aware of the disruption that would occur during construction for approximately three years. However, we feel confident in our collective abilities to fashion a Construction and Traffic Management Plan that will mitigate the impact while the tank is being built.

Currently, the Montlake Playfield is used by both members of the community and school athletic programs, including sports teams from Seattle Prep. We appreciate that Seattle Prep's needs would need to be accommodated during construction per its MOU with the Parks Department. Poor water drainage at the site, however, prevents use of the fields and the track for much of the year. Attached are photos of the track from earlier this season to illustrate the current challenge.

As you continue to refine the LTCP priorities and project sequencing, we hope that you will consider the SR520 construction schedule and explore benefits that might be achieved through collaboration with WSDOT. Please know that we would welcome, and even encourage, an expedited construction timeline if this would make sense.

We hope that this input is helpful, and we look forward to collaborating with you to support the design and planning of the upcoming Montlake CSO Control Project.

Best regards,



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Attached: photographs of the Montlake Playfield from October, 2016

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The Montlake Playfield, October 2016 (#1)



The Montlake Playfield, October 2016 (#2)