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Beginning this summer, work will start on the improvements to SE 256th Street and 164th Avenue SE, in the vicinity of Kentwood High School and Mattson Middle School. During construction, you should expect traffic delays and/or detours. We appreciate your patience, understanding, and participation during this project. Additional information will be released as the work progresses and at key milestones. For quick status updates, please check out the project website at <http://www.g-o.com/covington/main.html>



For the next year, the contractor will be placing all the utilities underground and clearing the rights-of-way in advance of the road widening improvements. Please be patient and courteous for the safety of the students and the construction workers.

**Project website: <http://www.g-o.com/covington/main.html>**

When this project is completed in late 2008, our community can expect the following benefits:

- Safer travel and less congestion along both 256th St and 164th Ave
- Sidewalks connecting Kentwood, Mattson, and neighborhoods in the area
- Traffic signals on both 256th St and 164th Ave making access to Kentwood easier
- Burial of all utilities enhancing reliability of service to all customers
- New street lights illuminating roadways, bicycle lanes, and sidewalks to enhance safety

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<b><a href="http://ci.covington.wa.us/connection.cfm">http://ci.covington.wa.us/connection.cfm</a></b>