Overview
Kitsap County Surface and Stormwater Management (SSWM) and the Roads Division will replace a culvert carrying the West Fork of Stavis Creek under Seabeck Holly Road NW in the Holly vicinity of western Kitsap County. The new culvert will be a precast reinforced concrete three-side structure. Essentially, a bridge will open up the creek to fish passage.

Over many years, culverts and other structures were built to redirect water for a variety of infrastructure improvements, including flood control and transportation. While this infrastructure improves people’s lives, it also changes the waterways and alters the habitat of native fish. In particular, salmon may encounter human-made barriers that prevent them from reaching their spawning and rearing areas. Small, old culverts are frequently one of the biggest barriers to migrating fish. Replacing failing and small culverts opens up streams for fish passage and at the same time improves the roads and stormwater system.

Construction Summary

Construction Schedule
Construction began in July 2010 and is scheduled to be completed in September 2010. RV Associates is the construction contractor.

Cost
The construction cost is $235,000. The project is funded by Kitsap County Surface and Stormwater Management fees and managed by the Roads Division of Kitsap County Public Works.

Commissioner District
Commissioner District: District 3

Road Closure
Seabeck-Holly Road will be closed to all through traffic August 16 - October 15.

Please follow the detour route along Hintzville Road. The route will be well marked at the project site.

Definitions:
Culvert: a channel or pipe that lets water pass under a road or embankment. Culverts can be made of concrete, steel, or plastic (PVC).

Fish passage: the ability of fish to move freely up and down a river system. A fish barrier limits the fish’s movement, and can partially or completely block migration.