



West Anchorage Snow Disposal Project

Project Management and Engineering No. 19-01

Project Fact Sheet

Overview

The Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) has collected information on potential locations for the placement of snow removed from West Anchorage streets during winter months. The Draft Site Selection Study is now available and MOA has identified a preferred location. Public feedback is important and will be considered during the final site selection process.

Purpose and Need

Purpose: Identify and select a future location for the disposal of snow in the MOA.

Need: The snow disposal site that currently serves West Anchorage is located on land owned by the State of Alaska and managed by the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. Snow storage needs often surpass site storage capabilities. Options to increase the existing site are not available. In addition, site improvements are necessary to meet current water quality standards. In order to make these improvements, MOA and PM&E need a long-term lease for the site. Due to future plans for the site, however, a long-term lease or purchase option is not available.



Site Selection

The project team has completed the preliminary Site Selection Study process. The public is invited to provide feedback on the results of the Site Selection Study, which identifies the preferred location for the new snow disposal site. Each site was required to meet this criteria:



Size: 14+ acres



Centrally located



24/7 operations



Lighting and sound operations enabled



Minimized impacts to residents



Economically viable



Commercial vehicle access



Zoning/permitting appropriate

Site Selection Study and Potential Locations

MOA worked with a local firm to conduct a formal analysis of potential sites, called a Site Selection Study. The Draft Site Selection Study is now available online at www.westanchorage.com. The Study summarizes the process for identifying a new snow disposal site, information gathered, public feedback, site options, site screening criteria, and the reasoning behind the proposed site selection.

As part of the Draft Site Selection Study, information was gathered and two potential locations were identified: Connor's Bog and Strawberry Bog. The public was invited to provide feedback and suggestions for other potential sites for consideration as part of the Site Selection Study.

The Draft Site Selection Study is now available and a preferred location has been identified: Connor's Bog.

Preferred Potential Location: Connor's Bog



Connor's Bog is the preferred potential location for replacement of the West Anchorage snow disposal site. A thorough evaluation of the site was determined to best meet the purpose and need, selection criteria, public input, and other factors.

Advantages:

- Low to no impact on residents and neighbors
- Sufficiently sized and available for use
- No operational restrictions
- Adequate receiving waters

Concerns:

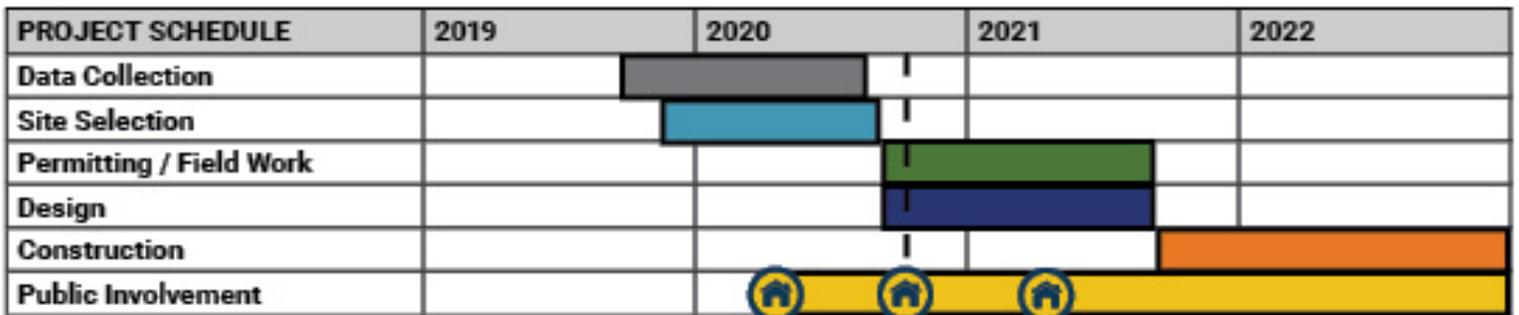
- Required wetlands fill

Schedule & Next Steps

You are invited to attend an Online Open House and Virtual Public Meeting to provide your feedback regarding the Site Selection Study results and the preferred site location for the West Anchorage Snow Disposal Project.



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This schedule is subject to funding availability.

We Are Here

🏠 Indicates Public Open House

We Want to Hear From You!

Please visit www.westanchoragesnow.com to participate in the Online Open House between October 16, 2020, and November 20, 2020 to be updated on the West Anchorage Snow Disposal Project, and provide comments on the Draft Site Selection Study.

All public comments received will be considered by the project team and included as part of the Final Site Selection Study.

There are several ways to leave a comment:

1. Download a PDF version of the Comment Form from the project website at www.westanchoragesnow.com and send your comments to us via email or U.S. mail.



Mail:
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2. Email the project team: info@westanchoragesnow.com

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