

STATUS REPORT - CAPITAL PROJECTS

City of Homer - Public Works Department - July 2013

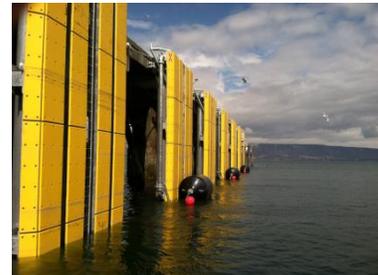
The following projects have been completed this year or are under construction:

Homer Natural Gas Trunk Line Extension – The gas trunk line from Anchor Point through Homer is more than 50% complete. The trunk line is expected to be complete this year.

Homer Natural Gas Main Extensions – The first year's construction of the gas mains in the "core" area has begun. The work is progressing generally from west to east, with service lines being installed as mains are being completed. All core area gas mains are expected to be complete this year.

City Building Conversions to Natural Gas – Cost estimates and funding has been established by the City Council to convert key City facilities that will have access to natural gas this year. These facilities include the sewer treatment plant, public works, animal shelter, library, city hall, and airport terminal. Conversion should be completed this winter.

Deep Water Dock Fender Replacement – New heavy-duty fenders and floating camels were installed on the face of the Deep Water Dock by Jay-Brant General Contractors. This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues.



Downtown Restrooms – Foundation work has begun on the restroom at the intersection of Pioneer Avenue and Bartlett Street. Construction on the restroom planned for WKFL Park will begin in the next few weeks. This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues. The work is being completed by Steiner's North Star Construction.

Spit Restrooms – Construction of the restroom at the approach to the Deep Water Dock has begun with the foundation and utility services complete. This facility will also include a guard shack and a shelter for cruise ship passengers. The foundation for a second restroom at the End of the Road Park is also underway. This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues. The work is being completed by Steiner's North Star Construction.



DWD Trail/Cruise Ship Bus Staging Area – The construction contract for this project has been awarded to North Star Paving and Construction. Work will start after Labor Day to minimize impacts to summer activities on the Spit. The Staging area will be paved this summer, with the trail being completed early next summer. This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues.

Spit Trail Extension – The construction contract for this project has also been awarded to North Star Paving and Construction. Work will start after Labor Day to minimize impacts to summer activities on the Spit. The paving of the End of the Road Park parking improvements will be completed this summer, with the trail being completed early next summer. This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues provided through ADOT.

Spit Trail Boardwalk Replacement Project – The construction contract for this project has been awarded to Puffin Electric. Work will start after Labor Day to minimize impacts to summer activities on the Spit. The improvements will be completed this summer. This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues provided through ADOT.

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Harbor Entrance Shore Protection Improvements – Bids for the construction of this project will be opened this month. Work will start after Labor Day to minimize impacts to summer activities on the Spit. This shore protection will solve shore erosion problem and allow for the Coal Point Trail to be constructed (providing access from the proposed Spit Trail to Coal Point Park). This work is funded by cruise ship passenger head tax revenues provided through ADOT.



City Beautification Project – The Parks and Recreation Department has again provided thousands of plants for City flower beds and local business barrels and planting areas. The crews at Parks and Recreation will also be planting 200 peony bushes around town - donated by a local commercial grower. Weeding and watering of these beds will continue throughout the summer.

2013 Street Repaving Project – Due to very wet weather at the end of the 2012 construction season, this project was postponed until this year. Various local streets were repaved, including portions of Soundview, Fish Dock Road, Ice Dock Road, Smokey Bay Way, Klondike Avenue, W. Fairview, Town Heights Lane, Greatland Street, and FAA Drive.

Karen Hornaday Park Picnic Shelter Improvement – The last item of Phase I of the Karen Hornaday Park Improvements is the construction of a new picnic shelter. With the help of the Karen Hornaday Park Committee, Public Works is bidding the construction of this facility. The shelter will be constructed after Labor Day.

Beluga Slough Trail Improvement – This project was constructed in 2012. The only remaining work is to install interpretive signing. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is assisting in the design of this signage and they should be installed before the end of the summer.



Small Boat Harbor System 5 Electrical Improvements – This project will be constructed this fall. The project is funded 50% by State grant; 50% by City bond proceeds. The work will provide improved water and electrical service to the large commercial vessels that moor at this facility.

Small Boat Harbor Float Replacement – This project will be constructed next year. Design is almost complete; bidding will be initiated in August. The project is funded 50% by State grant; 50% by City bond proceeds. The work will provide improved floats in the Small Boat Harbor, including A, J, R, and S float replacement; and utility improvements.

Small Boat Harbor Ramp 3 Replacement – This project will be constructed next year. Design is almost complete; bidding will be initiated in August. The project is funded 50% by State grant; 50% by City bond proceeds. The work will consist of the removal of the existing approach trestle and ramp and construction of a new shorted trestle and longer covered ramp.

Crittenden Road/Waddell Street Paving Project – This project was approved by a majority of benefiting property owners. The work consists of improving road and drainage to Urban road standards. The project is funded by property owner assessments and contributions from the Homer Accelerated Road and Trail Program (HART).

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Redwood Tank Demolition – Although the identification of asbestos in the roof of this facility has complicated its removal, this 40 year old wood tank is scheduled for demolition this year.

Sewer Treatment Plant Headworks Intake Screen Replacement – The original treatment plant headworks (screening and solids removal at the beginning of the sewer treatment process) is being upgraded to facilitate better treatment.

Library Vestibule Improvements – Improvements have been made to the library vestibule to reduce noise and increase energy efficiency at the library. The improvements included sealing the partition between the hallway and the arctic entry and creating soffits over the beams that extended through the partition.



The following projects are in the process of being designed:

- New Water Storage Tank
- Shellfish Water Main Extension
- Kachemak Drive (Phase III) Water Main Extension
- Homer Spit Cast Iron Water Main Replacement

The design of the following projects is anticipated to begin soon:

- New Harbormaster's Office Building
- New Satellite Fire Station at the Water Treatment Plant
- Feasibility Study – Deep Water Dock Expansion
- Homer Spit Barge Haul Out Facility
- Chip Pad Runoff Water Quality Improvements
- Old Town Pedestrian Improvements