

Frequently Asked Questions

Featherstone Sewage Pumping Station, L16 and Force Main

- 1. What is the best method to obtain current information for the Featherstone Sewage Pumping Station (SPS), L16 and Force Main project?**
 - A. The project website address is <https://www.princewilliamwater.org/featherstone-db-project>. Additionally, a project-specific e-mail address is featherstone@princewilliamwater.org.
- 2. What is a Design-Build project?**
 - A. Design-Build is a project delivery method where the construction contractor and the design engineer work together under a single contract from the very beginning. This collaborative approach allows construction planning and procurement to happen concurrently with design, leading to faster completion, reduced project risks, and better cost control.
- 3. Why is Prince William Water upgrading the Featherstone Sewage Pumping Station (SPS)?**
 - A. There is a need to replace the Featherstone Pumping Station as the infrastructure is aging and the system needs increased capacity to reliably support the community's current and future needs.
- 4. When will construction of the new pumping station and force main expected to start and finish?**
 - A. Construction will begin in Fall 2027 and will be completed in Spring 2030. The 3-year period includes the construction and start-up of the new SPS, construction of the new FM, removal of the old SPS, and completion of the site work and landscaping.
- 5. What procedures do you have to control construction to minimize the dirt tracked onto our roads during construction?**
 - A. The construction contractor will be required to comply with Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control requirements that address this concern. Prince William Water also requires daily cleanup and maintenance of the roadways.
- 6. What is the noise level rated for this location's operation?**
 - A. The design will meet the noise requirements set forth in the Prince William County Zoning Ordinance. The new SPS will incorporate the best available technology at the time of construction related to noise control.
- 7. Will construction activity affect local traffic or roadway access?**
 - A. During construction phase, temporary traffic adjustments may be necessary. However, complete road closures are not anticipated, and continuous access to all private properties and residential neighborhoods will be strictly maintained throughout the project.
- 8. Will residents see construction crews, heavy equipment, or work activity nearby?**
 - A. During construction phase, residents will notice standard construction activity, including heavy equipment, service vehicles, and construction crews operating in and around the pumping

station site and along the force main path. The work area will be clearly fenced off and secured for public safety.

9. What are the hours of construction activity?

A. Typical daily work hours are from 7:00 am- 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

10. Does this project involve property acquisition or easements?

A. Most of the construction will occur within existing Prince William Water property and public rights-of-way. In limited areas where adjustments or temporary access are required, Prince William Water will coordinate directly with impacted property owners regarding necessary permanent or temporary utility easements prior to construction.

11. How will Prince William Water keep the community informed throughout the project?

A. Prince William Water is committed to transparent and proactive communication. We will provide updates through:

- Regular updates on the official project webpage.
- Direct mailers and notifications before major construction milestones.
- Community information meetings and coordination with local Homeowners Associations (HOAs).