

Willamette Water Supply

Our Reliable Water Future

Orenco Woods Nature Park (OWNP)

While the upper-Tualatin River will continue to be Hillsboro's primary water source, the City of Hillsboro is partnering with the Tualatin Valley Water District and the City of Beaverton to develop the Willamette River at Wilsonville as an additional water supply source by 2026.

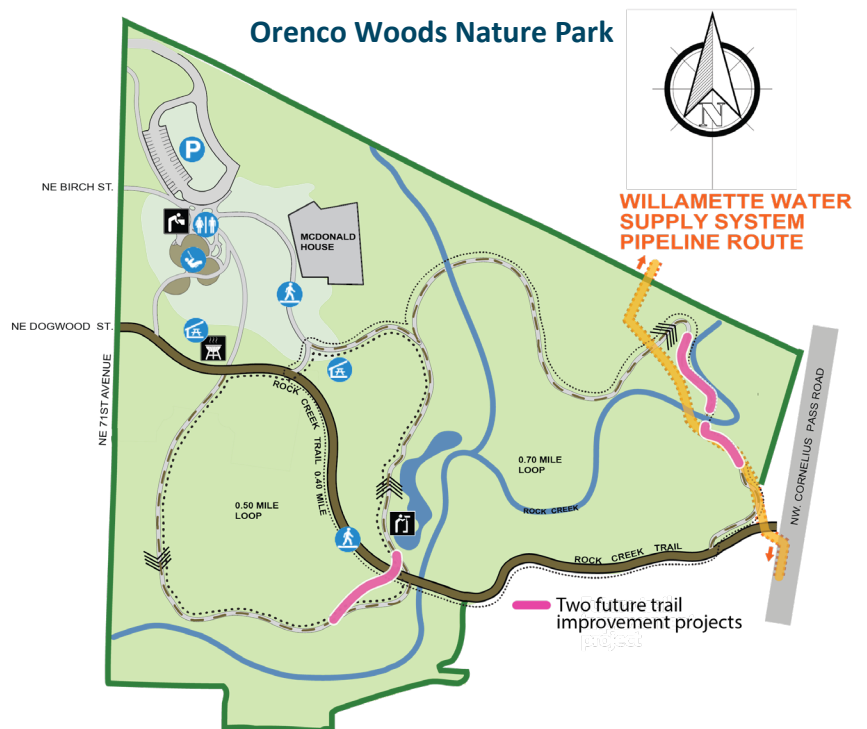
Part of the new Willamette Water Supply System (WWSS) includes installing a 3.3-mile section of large diameter water pipeline on Cornelius Pass Road between Frances Street and just south of Highway 26. About 900 feet of this section of the pipeline will cross the northeast corner of OWNP (see graphic to the right.)

The park will remain open during construction.

Pipeline construction is anticipated to begin in early 2023 and be completed late in 2024. The trail improvements will increase public access during high-water events and protect habitat for fish and wildlife.

WWSP developed the OWNP Wildlife Protection and Adaptive Management Plan to identify ways to protect wildlife during pipeline construction. Additionally, the WWSP intends to hold quarterly public briefings during construction.

The OWNP Wildlife Protection and Adaptive Management Plan and history of public briefings can be found here: www.ourreliablewater.org/orencowoods-nature-park



Our Future Water Supply

The WWSS will include a modified water intake on the Willamette River at Wilsonville, a state-of-the-art water treatment facility in Sherwood, water supply tanks in Beaverton, and more than 30 miles of large-diameter transmission water pipeline traveling from Wilsonville to Hillsboro. The entire system will be built to modern seismic standards and designed to withstand the impacts of a large earthquake or other natural disaster. This new system will begin serving water in 2026.

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