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Bruce,

Below is a summary of my conversations with Dan O'Brien, a Civil Engineer with The Burien Dept. Of Public Works, who is one of two people that work on Storm Water Management.

It took a few calls to actually connect on the phone.

I explained the drainage situation on 24<sup>th</sup> and 151<sup>st</sup> St.

o Water redirected by a number of asphalt berms placed by the City to prevent water from entering properties on 24<sup>th</sup> and 151<sup>st</sup> St.

o The long distant the water has to travel to the west down 151<sup>st</sup> St before reaching the City's catch basin.

o Street runoff directed down our street 151<sup>st</sup> PL.

o The infrequent maintenance and cleaning of the culvert across from the top of our road and the catch basins located to the west of the 1 way sign on the north side of the 1 way loop road.

o Water redirected by the culvert to the south side of the loop road which then runs down the hillside onto the Devaney's property.

Dan visited the site on a day it was raining moderately and confirmed my observations. He also acknowledged how the situation can become much more severe during heavy rain events.

Dan agreed to place berms at 2 locations on the south side of 151<sup>st</sup> ST to redirect the water away from our road. He agreed to place a berm to the west of the 1 way sign on the south side of the loop road (I marked the location with white spray paint... approx. 200 feet) to prevent water from flowing down the hillside. Finally. He agreed to place the culvert and catch basin on the City's list of location to receive regular monitoring and maintenance.

Dan said the work would be likely done in the next two months but no later than the end of the summer. Dan said these interim measures should be monitored for their effectiveness and we should re-contact the City if they are not effective.

Dan acknowledged the long-term solution would be the extension of the City's storm sewer line and placement of additional catch basins but this would be expensive and the funds are not currently in the City's budget.

I think a follow up letter to the City from the Seahurst West Community with the comments above will help keep the pressure on the City to fix the situation.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

I will continue to monitor the situation to make sure the agreed upon work is completed, is effective and that regular maintenance is performed by the City.

Thanks, Marc