

✓ On 7/11/2024 2:26:21 PM, WSDOT wrote:

Subject: [Records Center] Public Disclosure Request :: P015465-061324

Body:

RE: Public Disclosure Request of June 13, 2024, Reference #P015465-061324

Dear Bob Ortblad,

In response to your request for records Reference # P015465-061324 dated June 13, 2024, concerning:

Interstate Bridge Replacement

"In November, drilling began under the Columbia River to collect samples to assess soil composition and geologic conditions. This ongoing work is a key step in understanding the state of the riverbed to inform the design and construction of pilings that a replacement bridge will rest upon. Those supports will be the foundation of any new structure, and the geological requirements for their design will provide the program with a reliable picture of what can and can't be safely built. Drilling uses rigs on a floating barge placed parallel to the current bridge about 100 feet to the west. This activity will continue through February 2024 and is not anticipated to cause disruption to residents or river users in the area."

Please send the report and supporting details of IBR's drilling.

We've done a thorough search of agency records; those found responsive to your request have been released to our online [Public Disclosure Request Center](#) for download.

Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence, the records received, or you feel additional records should have been provided, please reply through the online portal.

With this correspondence your request for records is considered closed.

Thank you,

Kate Duckett

Public Disclosure Coordinator

Washington State Department of Transportation