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## Corps replaces Swallows Park restrooms; temporary facilities available

**CLARKSTON, Wash.** – Work began yesterday to replace aging restroom facilities at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Swallows Park, located south of Clarkston, Wash., at Snake River mile 142, Walla Walla District officials announced.

Portable toilets were placed in the park for visitors to use during the construction period. There are also conventional restroom facilities at Swallows Boat Ramp.

Three businesses were awarded Corps contracts related to this project. Atlas Sand and Rock, of Lewiston, Idaho, was contracted to conduct demolition of the old restroom – contract valued at \$4,000. CXT Inc., of Spokane, Wash., was contracted for purchase and set-up of the new restroom, a pre-fabricated structure – total contract value at \$112,226. And, S&S Contracting Inc., of Lewiston, Idaho, was contracted perform plumbing, sewage and utility-upgrade work – contract valued at \$9,752.

“The new facility will be a solid-concrete structure that offers visitors improved sanitation with automatic flush and sink valves,” said Vicky Silcox, natural resources manager at the Corps’ Clarkston office. “It will also be much more vandal-resistant and require less maintenance.”

The existing, 30-plus-year-old restrooms will be torn down this week. Corps officials expect construction on the new restrooms to be completed in about three weeks, barring any unexpected complications.

“We realize that this will be inconvenient for a few weeks as the old restroom is removed and the new structure put in place,” said Craig Rockwell, assistant natural resource manager at Clarkston. “But, the result will be a much more accessible, sanitary and maintenance-free restroom for public use in the park.”

For more information about this project, contact the Corps’ Clarkston Natural Resource Management Office at (509) 751-0240.

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