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Question (Member Question No. 6):

Regarding the work of “commencing the investigation and design for the upgrading of the Kwun Tong preliminary treatment works”, please advise on the details and estimated expenditure involved. When will the design work be completed for commencement of the project? As the preliminary treatment works occupies the waterfront area, will adjustments be made to the design for the upgrading works so as to tie in with the project “Energizing Kowloon East” and release part of land along the waterfront?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai

Reply:

To cope with the future demand in the district, there is a need to enhance the sewage treatment capacity of the Kwun Tong Preliminary Treatment Works. We are now in the process of engaging engineering consultants to carry out the investigation and design work for the project. The investigation and design work is expected to commence in April 2014 for completion in 2016, at an estimated expenditure of about \$13.3 million. The construction programme and cost of the project will be examined under the consultancy study.

The Drainage Services Department will endeavour to make adjustments to suit the planning of the project “Energizing Kowloon East”, and will request the engineering consultants to give priority to examining the feasibility of the proposed release of a portion of the land along the waterfront.