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## **Olympia Timberland Library receives HVAC & lighting system upgrades; will remain open as usual during project**

As part of a City of Olympia resource savings and facility improvements project, the [Olympia Timberland Library](#) is receiving upgrades to its heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system and lighting system. The library will remain open throughout the project, which began Tuesday and is expected to finish around the end of the year.

According to contractor Quantum Engineering, the upgrades replace old and failing equipment with new, more efficient equipment and will provide a better indoor environment for the public and library staff. The upgrades are expected to save \$11,500 annually. The anticipated expense to the City of Olympia is \$250,000. The project will receive energy efficiency incentives of \$68,000 from Puget Sound Energy. City staff will be able to monitor and control the new systems remotely, decreasing response time.

Workers will work Monday through Thursday nights from about 10 p.m. to 8 or 10 a.m. the following morning. "During the project, patrons may notice different sections of ceiling tiles removed," said Olympia Timberland Library Manager, Cheryl Heywood. "Full-spectrum lighting, which closely resembles outdoor light, was installed over the last two nights. It's warm, bright and inviting. In here! It's also quieter as the new lights emit less white noise," said Heywood.

The new HVAC system is also expected to generate less noise. "We will have better ventilation and climate control in the building. Current equipment is more than 20 years old and is failing, so these upgrades will be very helpful," said Heywood.

The Olympia Timberland Library is located at 313 8th Avenue SE. For more information, the public is welcome to call the library at (360) 352-0595.