Project update
Construction will begin this year on Snohomish County’s North Road improvement project. You are invited to an Open House on March 6, 2014 to see plans and schedules and to discuss the project with County staff.

The 1.8 mile corridor between 164th Street SW and Filbert Road (SR 524) currently has two travel lanes and intermittent sidewalks.

This project includes widening the roadway to add a 12-foot wide center turn lane, 5-foot wide bike lanes along both sides of the corridor, and five-foot wide sidewalks. Planter strips will also be added where there is enough right-of-way.

The first signs of construction
The Snohomish County Public Utility District and Comcast have already relocated their equipment, and Puget Sound Energy is almost finished. You are likely to see county surveyors in the area reestablishing the edge of right-of-way and placing stakes in preparation for the clearing that will follow. Homeowners who live along the corridor should remove from the public right-of-way any landscaping items that they want to save. If you have right-of-way questions contact Jane Scott, Public Works Real Property Specialist, 425-388-6686.

The construction contractor will begin work this spring
Once a contractor is hired in late March, a project schedule will be developed. Our goal is to limit the construction to one mile of road at a time. Most of the work will occur during the day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. We should have more information about the schedule at the open house on March 6.

The County is partnering with the Alderwood Water & Wastewater District (AWWD) to reduce impacts during construction. AWWD’s participation in the construction will include: relocation of portions of the water and sewer mainline, replacement and upgrade of 16 fire hydrants, and water service lines to 150 adjoining properties.

AWWD anticipates up to three scheduled water outages per customer. The outages will last for between 2 and 8 hours. Customers will be notified via door hangers three days before the water is shut off. Updates will be posted on the county’s North Road project Web page.

Traveling through the construction zone
Pedestrians will have access through the construction zone within a delineated temporary asphalt walkway. The temporary walkway will be along one side of the road only, and will be ADA accessible.

Travel lanes through the construction zone will shift depending on the work being done. When the contractor is working on the east side of the road, travel lanes will be shifted to the west side of the corridor, and vice versa. The road bed through the construction zone will be rough, and the speed limit will be reduced to 20 M.P.H. Please prepare to add extra time to your travel plans.

Mail delivery and garbage pickup
Mail boxes will be moved to temporary locations near the new outer edge of the roadway during construction. Mailboxes will be rearranged after construction to be on the same side of the road as the corresponding homes. The county is coordinating with the post office. More information will be available during construction.

Waste Management Northwest (WMNW) is aware of the project. We have found on past projects that WMNW personnel are resourceful and usually able to take care of their routes through construction zones.
What will it take to rebuild this almost 2-mile-long corridor?

A look at some numbers:

- 700 pages in the construction contract
- 300 pages of detailed plan drawings
- 18,000 approx. cubic yards of dirt to excavate
- 27,000 approx. cubic yard of dirt to import
- 32,000 tons of asphalt pavement
- 16,000 feet of trenches for drainage pipe
- 200 catch basins to install and hook up
- 3 detention ponds
- 1 100’ x 20’ x 9’ underground drainage vault
- 18 pullouts for mail delivery
- 3.5 miles of curb and gutter
- 3.5 miles of sidewalks
- 50 curb ramps
- 34 retaining walls
- 125 driveway approaches to rebuild

North Road will be widened to include a center turn lane, bike lanes and sidewalks

164th Street SE/SW road work

During 2014 Snohomish County is partnering with the City of Mill Creek to rehabilitate 164th Street SW/SE between Interstate 5 and State Route 527 (Bothell-Everett Highway). A Federal preservation grant is helping fund the work.

The 164th St SW/SE project includes rebuilding 80 sidewalk ramps and repaving the corridor. Please drive carefully through the work zone and allow extra time to get to your destination. You can find more information on the county’s project Web page: www.snooco.org, search road projects or on Mill Creek’s Web site, www.cityofmillcreek.com, search 164th St.