Oso Tragedy

Having spent a day at the Emergency Command Center watching our tireless responders, I want the public to know that we have well trained people working around the clock on search and rescue efforts. Snohomish County is also well served by our Director of Emergency Management, John Pennington and his leadership during this tragedy.

I have personally visited the slide area and seen the full destruction and devastation. The County Council is ready to expedite the resources necessary to speed recovery.

Our prayers are with the victims, families and our dedicated search and rescue personnel.

Snohomish County Parks

Our parks system contributes to the health and wellness of our citizens. We have 11,000 acres of parks and trails for you to visit. Today, I’m highlighting four parks with camping facilities for your family, courtesy of Snohomish County Parks and Recreation. This is a fun and inexpensive way to create great family memories.

Wenberg Park, Stanwood

15430 E. Lake Goodwin Road

Regional 45 acre park located on the eastern shores of Lake Goodwin. Features include: Lake front campsites, a fresh water lake, swimming, playground, wildlife viewing, picnic shelters, concession building, restrooms and parking.
Kayak Point Park, Stanwood
15610 MArine Drive
Regional 302 acre park with a 3,300 foot shoreline along a saltwater beach. Features include: Campsites (live on the edge: try camping in a yurt!), boat launch; fishing pier, playground, shelters, picnic areas, trails, parking and restrooms.

River Meadows Park, Arlington
20416 Jordan Road
Regional 145 acre park with large open meadows and forests along the Stillaguamish River. Features include: Campsites (including six rental yurts), board launch, shelters, picnic areas, trails for hiking and wildlife viewing, parking and restrooms.

Flowing Lake Park, Snohomish
17900 48th Ave SE
Regional 38 acre park with many recreational opportunities and day access to Flowing Lake. Features include: 42 campsites, most with water and electrical hookups, four cabins, playground, lake access, boat launch, swimming, shelters, picnic areas, trails for hiking and wildlife viewing, amphitheater, parking and restrooms.

If you would like to reserve a campsite for this summer, preregister quickly as the campgrounds are already filling up. You may register online at www.snocoparks.org

Click on campgrounds under camping and rentals, find the park you want to camp at, then click reserve on the right side of the screen to make your reservation. You may call the Snohomish County Parks Dept. at 9425) 388-6600 Monday through Friday from 830 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with any questions.

Looking for a volunteer
There are many opportunities to serve on boards and commissions in Snohomish County. Currently we are looking for someone to represent our District 4 on the Performance Audit Committee. Committee members must be Snohomish County residents and have backgrounds that demonstrate knowledge or experience that would be beneficial in carrying out the tasks of the committee. Visit the County's new website at www.snohomishcountywa.gov for more information on this or the many other opportunities to help our community.

County Council team
Our citizens are well served by the Snohomish County Council members. I am excited about the opportunities we have at Snohomish County to shape our future. We’re committed to help guide Snohomish County through the challenges facing our county and our residents. Call my office at (425) 388-3494 if you have any questions or if we may be of help with government services.
I hope you found this eNEWSLETTER informative and useful. You can make it even more valuable by suggesting topics and issues for future newsletters. Please contact me at 425-388-3494, or e-mail Terry.Ryan@snoco.org. If you would like to share this newsletter, select the Forward email link below.

Sincerely,

Terry Ryan, Snohomish County Council