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## **Snohomish County Awarded \$1 Million Grant for North Creek Regional Trail Project**

*Grant marks the start of funding for first phase of project*

**EVERETT, Wash., April 6, 2018** – When completed, the North Creek Regional Trail will connect walkers, runners and cyclists to a regional system that includes the Sammamish River and Burke-Gilman Trails in King County and the Snohomish County Regional Interurban Trail in Everett. A \$1 million construction grant recently awarded to Snohomish County Public Works from the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office marks the start of acquiring the funding needed to make that connectivity a reality.

“We are currently finalizing the design details on phase I of the North Creek Regional Trail project and this generous grant gets us one step closer to making these improvements to our community,” Snohomish County Public Works Director Steve Thomsen said. “The trail will be in one of the highest growth areas in the county and it will connect residents to the rest of the region in a non-motorized fashion.”

The North Creek Regional Trail will be located between State Route 524 and 183rd St SE, west of Bothell-Everett Highway.

The current estimate for funding all three phases of the project is \$18 million.

- Phase I - State Route 524 to Sprague Dr - \$5.5 million
- Phase II - Pedestrian bridge structure - \$7.5 million
- Phase III - Waxen Rd to 183rd St SE - \$5 million

The pedestrian bridge structure will be built between Sprague Dr and 192nd St SE and will create a passage over the North Creek. It will also connect the trail to North Creek Park. This structure will be nearly a quarter mile long and will be elevated an estimated 20 to 40 feet above ground.

Plans are also being prepared for three parking areas located along the North Creek Trail.

For more information about the North Creek Regional Trail Project, visit <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/680>

**About Snohomish County Public Works**

The Snohomish County Public Works Department constructs and maintains county roads; controls and manages surface water quantity, quality, and fish habitats; and oversees the recycling and disposal of solid waste. The department's main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, WA 98201. For more information about Snohomish County Public Works, visit [www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks](http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks).

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