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Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood Successfully Complete Maple Rd and Ash Way Drainage and Intersection Project Ahead of Schedule

Project eases flooding at intersection, will not need second season of construction

EVERETT, Wash., Oct. 29, 2018 – Maintaining access to the Alderwood Mall area, including the Maple Rd and Ash Way intersection, is extremely important for Lynnwood residents and the Snohomish County economy as a whole. The City of Lynnwood and Snohomish County, which partnered on the Maple Rd and Ash Way Drainage and Intersection Improvements project, will reopen the intersection this week ahead of schedule and under budget. The project was jointly funded by Snohomish County Surface Water Management funds and the City of Lynnwood.

“The Maple and Ash project was a critical component of our transportation improvement plan,” Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers said. “Our close partnership with Lynnwood and the good weather allowed us to get this done early. We want to thank everyone for their patience as we completed the project.”

The project reconstructed 700 feet of Maple Rd and 600 feet of Ash way on 772 steel pilings which raised the intersection approximately five feet higher. It is designed to ease flooding which routinely resulted in closures during the rainy fall and winter seasons.

“This was an important project for area residents, commuters, and businesses,” District 3 Snohomish County Councilmember Stephanie Wright said. “Being able to solve the flooding issues, and to do so ahead of schedule, is a truly great outcome.”

The intersection was originally scheduled to open during the second week of November for the holiday shopping season with more construction in spring 2019 to complete the project.

“This intersection is an extremely important access point for the Alderwood area, I-5 and SR 525 freeway corridor,” Lynnwood Mayor Nicola Smith said. “Completing this project early and eliminating another closure next spring is great news for our residents.”

The project area also includes a portion of the Interurban Trail, which will reopen as well.

To celebrate, the public is invited to attend a ribbon cutting celebration on November 7, 2018 on the south spur of the intersection on Ash Way. Speakers at the event include Snohomish County Public Works Director Steve Thomsen, Smith and Wright. The construction work was completed by IMCO Construction.

Come celebrate the intersection's opening with us!

What: Snohomish County Public Works and the City of Lynnwood are hosting a ribbon cutting event to celebrate the completion of this intersection and drainage improvement project.

When: Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: On the south spur of the Maple Rd and Ash Way intersection.

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.

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