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Facility Repairs Cause Three Week Service Disruption at North Snohomish County Recycling and Transfer Station

Granite Falls Drop Box to extend hours to accommodate customers

EVERETT, Wash., February 20, 2020 – Repairs at the North County Recycling and Transfer Station (NCRTS) will result in changes to service hours for two Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities for three weeks. NCRTS will be closed to all hand-unload vehicles Monday through Friday, March 2-22, during the repairs while the Granite Falls Drop Box will extend its hours of operation to seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to accommodate NCRTS customers. Both will return to normal operating hours following the completion of the project.

“We want to make sure that all customers have access to Solid Waste services and that these repairs have minimal impact,” said Snohomish County Solid Waste Director Matt Zybas. “We are doing this now to avoid service disruptions during the busier spring and summer seasons.”

Note that mechanical-unload vehicles and recycling services at NCRTS will not be affected by the project or service disruption. Hand-unload services are where the customer has to physically remove refuse from the vehicle by hand, as opposed to vehicles with mechanical dumping ability such a hydraulic lift or pushing mechanism.

NCRTS originally opened in 1986 and the push pits where customers with hand-unload vehicles dump their refuse has worn out. During the repairs, the county will re-line the push pits walls and replace the blades that push the refuse to the compactor chutes. Mechanical-unload vehicle service hours will remain the same at NCRTS as they use a different part of the facility to dump refuse.

Facility locations:

- North County Recycling and Transfer Station – 19600 63rd Ave NE, Arlington
- Granite Falls Drop Box – 7526 Menzel Lake Rd, Granite Falls

There are additional facility locations throughout the county. For more information about Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities, visit www.snohomishcountywa.gov/465

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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