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Snohomish County Agriculture Sustainability Project

What: Snohomish County Agricultural Sustainability Project, a community-based initiative to preserve and strengthen the County's local agricultural economy for the next 100 years.

Who: County Executive Aaron Reardon and regional farmers

When: Tuesday, October 30, 2007, 10 a.m.

Where: The Farm (a working family farm owned and operated by Ben and Carol Krause) 7301 Rivershore Road, Snohomish or www.swanstrailfarms.com/page7512.asp

Visuals:

- **School children navigating the Farm's popular Washington State corn maze: a 12-acre Washington State map with roads, towns and places.**
- **Children and families picking out pumpkins from the Farm's colorful pumpkin patch.**
- **School children and their families petting the animals, playing in the historic barn and enjoying a hay wagon ride.**

Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon will launch the County's Agricultural Sustainability Project during a news conference at the Farm, a 125-acre working family farm along the Snohomish River.

This project, facilitated by Snohomish County's Office of Economic Development with support and oversight from the Snohomish County Agricultural Advisory Board and the local agricultural community, will engage the public in creating an Agricultural Sustainability Plan and a long-term vision of agriculture in Snohomish County.

Executive Reardon will release details of the project including the public involvement process to set priorities for the County's agricultural economy at a series of community engagement meetings.

Editor's note: Press kits, photo opportunities and interviews will be made available.

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