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Reardon: County stands ready on aerospace opportunity

Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon's statement on Wednesday's Boeing announcement:

"Today's news that the Boeing Co. will close its Wichita facility is difficult for the many families involved, especially in light of the current economy. I would not wish such hardship upon anybody.

"Yet, with the KC-46 Tanker program coming to the Puget Sound, Snohomish County stands ready, including continuing to train and provide the most skilled aerospace workers in the state, if not the nation. This decision underscores the fact that the Puget Sound is one of the most competitive regions in the country for aerospace manufacturing.

"The goal for Snohomish County is that we continue to produce world-class airplanes, whether for commercial or defense purposes."

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