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County opens new Cathcart operations center

What: Snohomish County is opening its new Cathcart Way Operations Center, which will house about 250 employees. More importantly, it will allow the county to consolidate a number of Public Works maintenance operations, providing cost-savings and timelier responses.

The facility consists of 150,000 square feet of space on a 30-acre site. The new center is located on the site of the county's closed Cathcart landfill and is connected with ongoing Solid Waste operations there. The new center consolidates Public Works maintenance operations from three sites to a single location for efficiency of operations.

Maintenance operations currently located at Paine Field and in Snohomish will be moved to the new facility to better serve the growing needs of south and east Snohomish County. In addition, the county's traffic signal shop currently located in a leased facility in Everett will relocate to the site.

The new maintenance center has been built in and around other Public Works Solid Waste facilities already located on the eastern portion of the county's Cathcart property.

Who: Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon, county staff and other elected officials will speak before touring the facilities.

When: 2-3:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 30.

Where: Cathcart Way Operation Center, 8915 Cathcart Way, Snohomish. The site is accessed via the signal at 83rd Avenue Southeast and Cathcart Way

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