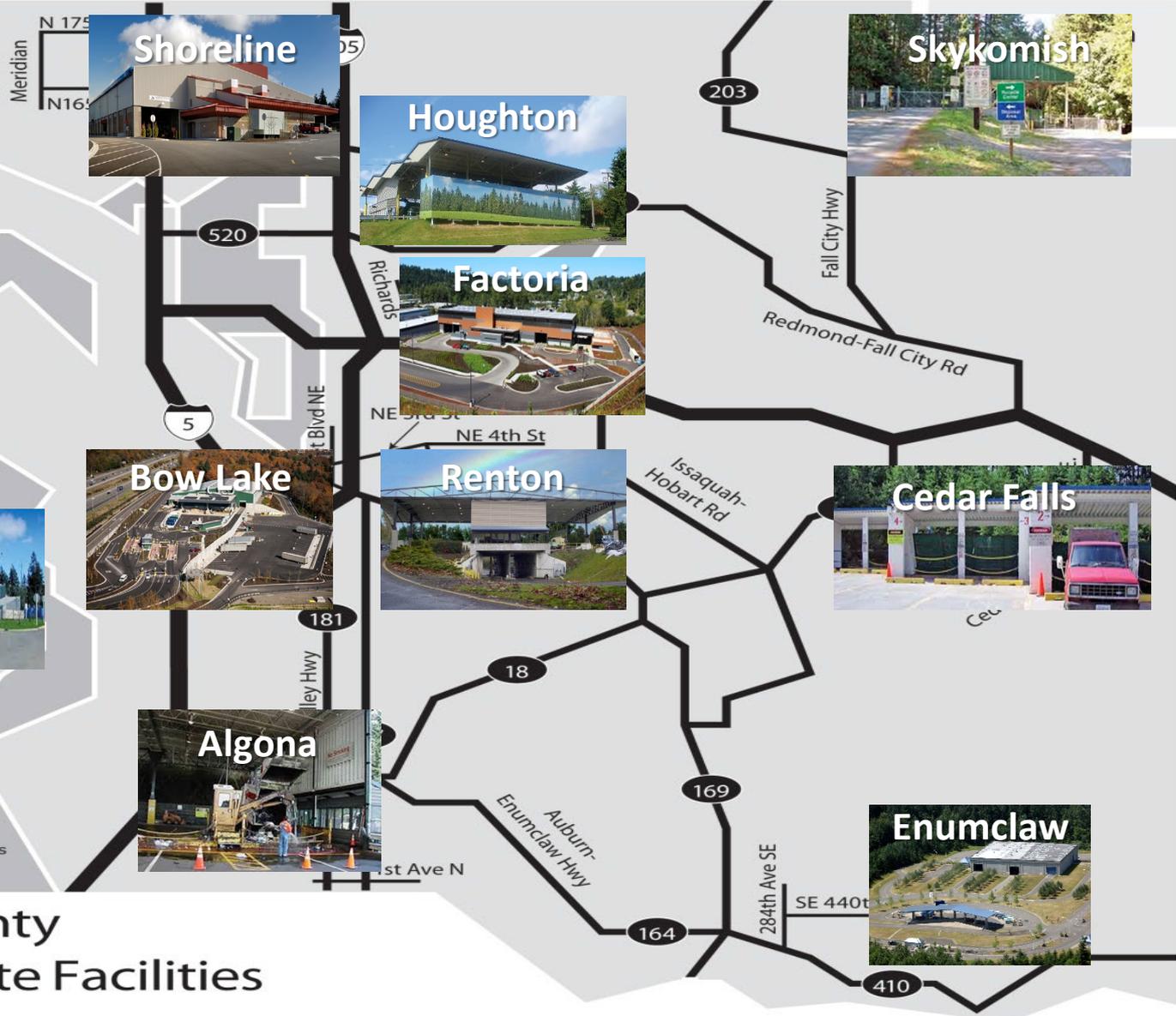




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King County Rural Dropbox
Updated June, 2019

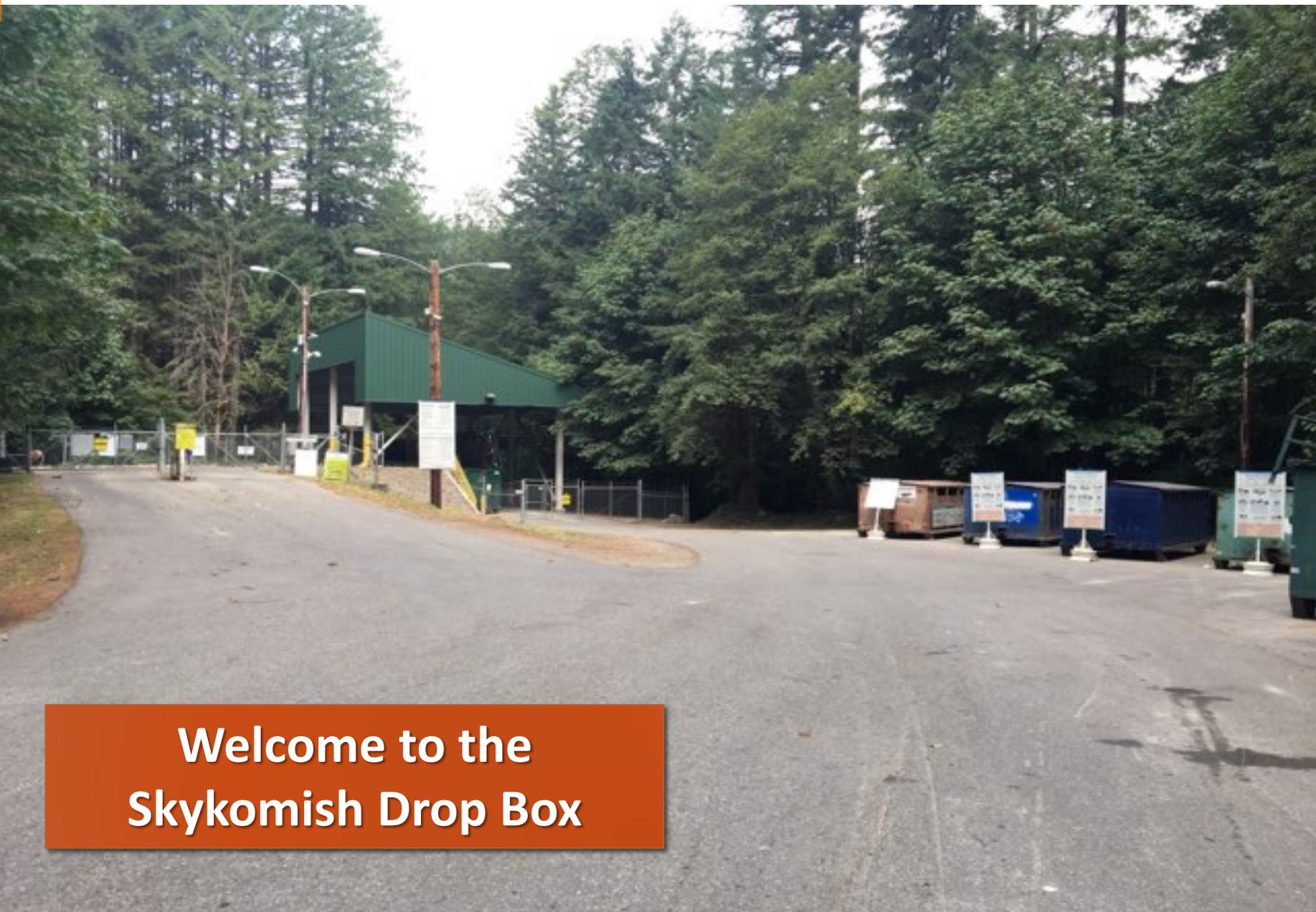


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 **King County**
 Department of
 Natural Resources and Parks
Solid Waste Division

King County Solid Waste Facilities



**Welcome to the
Skykomish Drop Box**



Skykomish Drop Box

Exterior gate to the Skykomish drop box

Fact Sheet

Overview: The facility was built in 1980 on a seven-acre property, which provides for a buffer between the facility and the rail line on the north side, a residential neighbor on the east side, King County Roads field office on the west, and a small helipad and Old Cascade Highway on the south side. It includes a partially fenced no-fee recycling area and a fenced solid waste disposal area with two top-loading drop boxes, each with two stalls. For access to the disposal area, customers use the self-service payment kiosk that accepts prepaid cards or credit cards. The station services residents and businesses from the Skykomish area.

Location: 74324 NE Old Cascade Hwy, Skykomish, WA 98288

Hours of operation:

Winter: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Summer: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. (2nd Sunday in March until 1st Sunday in Nov)

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

Note: No cash or checks. Maximum load size accepted at Skykomish is three cubic yards or one ton.

What happens to the waste? The waste is transported by a private commercial hauler in drop boxes from Skykomish to the Houghton Transfer Station, 56 miles away. From there, the waste is transported by county employees to the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill.

What happens to recyclable materials? Recyclable materials are separated by type and distributed to local, national or international markets for processing into recycled content products.

Notable features:

- It is the most remote solid waste facility operated by King County and is unstaffed. Cameras are used to monitor activities, and King County staff makes regular visits to the site to perform maintenance. In addition, employees from the King County Road Services Division facility next door helps monitor the site.
- The facility received a new roof in 2008 after the old roof collapsed under record snowfall in January of that year.



Signs direct customers to the Recycle Center or Disposal Area



Payment kiosk, service phone and one-time use card deposit box



Payment Options

- VISA
- MasterCard
- King County Solid Waste Card

¡Separe y recicle!

A partir de enero de 2018, los clientes deben separar el **Cartón** para reciclarlo.

King County

Pay Disposal Fee Here
Fee: \$24.25

King County Solid Waste Department
20000 1st Avenue, Everett, WA 98203
(425) 353-3300

Este signo debe estar presente

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Payment Options:

VISA
MasterCard

**King County
Solid Waste Card**

County Solid Waste Center
11111 1st Ave
Burien, WA 98148
Call for more information
or to schedule a pickup
service. For more information
visit www.kingcounty.gov

Need Help?
Call 206-467-7221

Step 1
Insert your card
and PIN

Step 2
Enter amount
to pay

Step 3
Collect your receipt

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**Welcome to Cedar
Falls Drop Box**



Cedar Falls Drop Box

Stalls 1 and 2 for waste disposal

Fact Sheet

Overview: Built in 1990, the facility occupies seven acres of land and is adjacent to the closed Cedar Falls Landfill. The facility includes a no-fee recycling area, a scalehouse, and three top-loading drop boxes with two stalls each. One of the drop boxes is designated for yard waste. The station services residents and businesses from the North Bend and Snoqualmie areas.

Location: 16925 Cedar Falls Rd SE, North Bend, WA 98045

Hours of operation:

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat & Sun: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tues & Thurs: closed

Note: Maximum load size accepted at Cedar Falls is three cubic yards or one ton.

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day

What happens to the waste? The waste is transported by a private commercial hauler in drop boxes from Cedar Falls to the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill, 22 miles away.

What happens to recyclable materials? Recyclable materials are separated by type and distributed to local, national or international markets for processing into recycled content products. Reusable materials (textiles) are donated to local non-profits.

2014 at a glance

- **Who are the customers?** Self-haul customers.
- **Tons of solid waste disposed:** 3,579. This constitutes less than 1 percent of solid waste at all King County transfer stations.
- **Total customer visits:** 19,413
- **Recycling services provided:**
 - Cardboard
 - Textiles
 - Yard waste

- The following can be combined in the large blue "Recyclable Materials" containers:
 - o Paper, including office paper, junk mail, envelopes, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, paper food boxes, cartons such as milk, juice and broth cartons, paper cups, shredded paper if securely tied in clear plastic bags, and hard and paperback books
 - o Aluminum and tin/steel cans
 - o Glass bottles and jars
 - o Plastic bottles, cups, jugs, tubs, pots, food containers, clamshells, trays
 - o Large plastic or steel/tin lids (3 inches or more)

Recyclable materials must be empty (no liquids) and clean (no food).

Recycling Tonnage

Yard Waste	Cardboard	Paper	TAP ¹	Glass	Metal	Total*
305	84	89	26	60	1	566

*This constitutes 4 percent of the recycling at all King County transfer stations. ¹) TAP (tin, aluminum and plastic)



No-fee recycling area entrance sign



Cedar Falls scalehouse: one scale is used for in and outbound traffic

Alternative Formats On Request
206-477-4466 • TTY Relay: 711

your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/cedar-transfer.asp?ID=347









Advantages of rural drop box location

- Location for communities that would otherwise be under served
- Opportunities to educate our customers
- Recycling Services
- Communities appreciate service being available
- Partnership with King County Roads

Challenges of Rural Location

- Customers exceeding load limit
- Little to no control of materials coming into the facility.
Hazardous waste, bio waste, car parts, etc.
- Not Staffed, No Compaction
- Lack of availability of transportation
- Outside of county/contractors C &D
- Securing of Facility
- Maintenance





DANGER
No Entry

No Entry
No Parking



DANGER

USE EXTREME CAUTION!

Children Must
Remain in Vehicle

No Salvaging No Smoking

No salvaging
or scavenging

Prohibido rescatar o remover
artículos de esta propiedad





Improvements/Question

- Upgrade Camera System
- Upgrade point of entry
- Staffing Considerations?
- Add scale?

Protecting our Precious Environment is Job #1!

Skykomish River



Rattle Snake Lake



The closest neighbors to our rural drop boxes are very important!



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