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## **Snohomish County Seeks Information for Potential Tire Recycling Event**

*Survey will inform size and scope of potential free event*

**EVERETT, Wash., September 12, 2022** – Snohomish County is trying to find where the rubber meets the road. The Solid Waste Division of Public Works is researching the need for a future countywide tire recycling event through an anonymous public survey for Snohomish County residents. The short survey will help county staff understand the demand, size, and scope, and help in applying for a state grant to host an event. The URL for the survey is <https://bit.ly/tiresurvey>.

“The recycling of old tires is important as it prevents potential negative effects on the environment and local fish. Properly disposing of tires reduces this impact and helps save salmon habitat, salmon, and orcas. Tires also take up a lot of space in landfills, and recycling creates new products from a limited resource,” Snohomish County Solid Waste Director David Schonhard said. “If we know how many residents have old tires they need to get rid of, then we can better serve the public by providing effective service options to responsibly recycle them.”

If successful in obtaining a state grant, Snohomish County may hold an event that will accept standard size vehicle tires, without rims, free of charge. The event would be limited to Snohomish County residents (businesses would be excluded).

Currently the county accepts up to five tires per customer for a fee at designated Solid Waste facilities as part of garbage services.

The data collected is anonymous and will also be used in submissions for possible grants to help fund the event.

### **About Snohomish County Public Works**

Snohomish County Public Works is responsible for approximately 1,600 miles of county roads, more than 200 bridges and manages about 200 traffic control signals. The department also processes nearly 600,000 tons of garbage per year. Its mission is to focus on safety and mobility while practicing fiscal responsibility and preserving the environment. Public Works has won numerous state and national honors for its work and is the largest department within Snohomish County government with approximately 500 employees plus seasonal staff. Its main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, WA 98201.

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