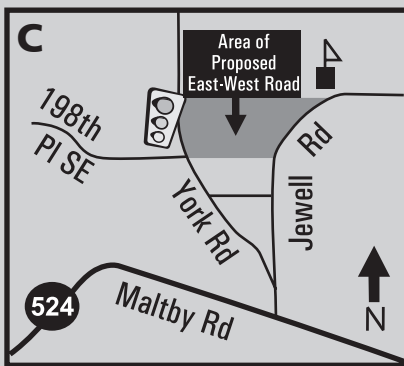
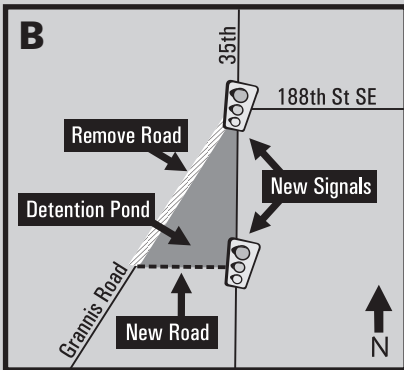
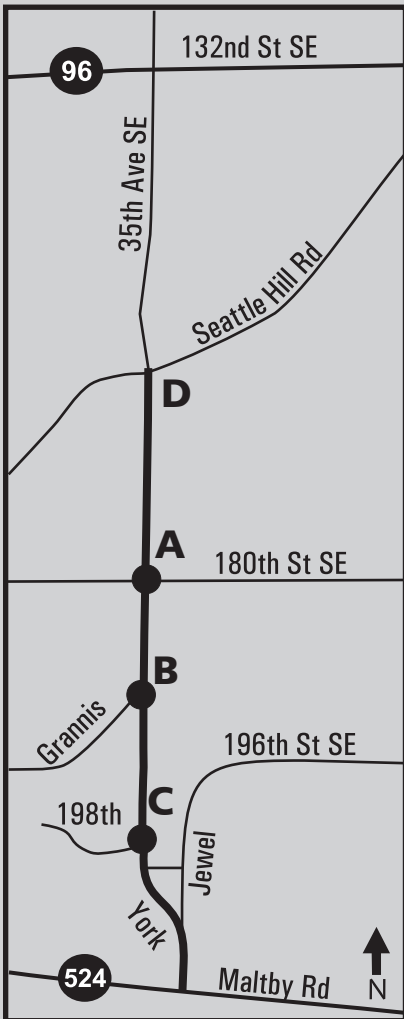


Update on 35th Avenue SE and 180th Street SE Corridor Projects



A – 35th/180th Intersection Revision (2012)

A right-turn lane is planned for all sides of the intersection, along with an upgraded traffic signal, curbs, gutters and sidewalks. Planter strips will be added on the west side of 180th Street SE and on the east side of 35th north of 180th. When the project is complete, each side of the intersection will have one left-turn lane, one right-turn lane and one through lane. Construction of improvements to the 35th Avenue SE/ 180th Street SE intersection is currently funded for construction in 2012.

B – Grannis Road Realignment (2011)

Grannis Road is south of 180th Street SE on the west side of 35th Avenue SE. It meets 35th at a skewed angle making it difficult to travel to or from 35th Avenue SE.

During 2011 Snohomish County plans to realign Grannis Road to connect straight east into 35th Avenue SE. The new intersection will be 270 feet south of the current 35th Avenue SE/Grannis Road intersection. New traffic signals will be added on 35th Avenue SE at 188th Street SE and the new Grannis Road Intersection.

The new intersection will be wider for improved sight distance and will include left turn pockets on 35th and on Grannis. Bike lanes are also planned, along with sidewalks, curbs, gutters and planter strips. Sidewalk ramps will be ADA compliant. All of these changes are designed to improve traffic safety and access for pedestrians and bicyclists.

C – 198th Place SE/Jewell Road

The county has been considering extending 198th Place SE east from 35th Avenue SE to Jewell Road. The property owner that acquired the property in late 2010 approached the county with plans for an alternative public east-west alignment, approximately 300 feet north of the 198th Place SE extension. The County is currently discussing the pros and cons of several options for the east-west alignment to meet the traffic needs in the area and provide appropriate access to the site. All of the options under consideration include a standard four-leg intersection at the north end of Jewell Road, instead of a roundabout.

The options for the east-west alignment will be fully described and addressed in an Addendum to the previous SEPA Checklist issued by the county in August 2010 and will be posted on the project Web page for public review and comment. The county is carefully considering the property owner's proposal. Development regulations require that property owners bear the costs of road and frontage improvements.

Current funding in the 6-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is only for design work and right-of-way plan preparation.

D – You may see survey crews along 35th Ave SE

Snohomish County is in the very early stages of a Design Study for improvements to the 35th Avenue SE corridor between Seattle Hill Road and Maltby Road (SR 524). The corridor is a significant north-south route for Snohomish County residents, and has received intermittent improvements as development has occurred.

The county's survey crew will be working along various sections of the road to determine limits of the public right-of-way, and to map wetlands and streams adjacent to the roadway. If you have property along 35th Avenue SE between Seattle Hill Road and Maltby Road, you may be contacted for permission by county staff to be on your property as they work their way along the corridor. (continued on back)

Contact:

Tina Hokanson
Snohomish County Public Works
Communications
tina.hokanson@snoco.org
(425) 388-3789



www.snoco.org

The process of developing road projects takes several years. Many factors must be considered. They include: location of homes; public right-of-way and wetlands; stormwater runoff, drainage and water quality; Critical Area Regulations (CAR), i.e. buffers; hilly terrain; sight distance; soil compaction; traffic volumes; accident history; location of utilities; and information that residents provide about the area.

A Web page will be posted and updated over time as information is gathered and proposals are drafted. You will find a link on the page where you can register to receive e-mail updates as information changes, and meetings are scheduled. Visit www.snoco.org, search "35th Ave SE Corridor."

E – 51st Ave SE will be closed (Summer 2011)

Little Bear Creek flows under 51st Avenue SE in two locations, through culverts that pose a fish passage barrier. During this summer, excavation to install new fish passable culverts will require road closures of up to 8 weeks. The exact dates of construction are not yet known, but signs will be posted in advance of the work. These culvert replacement projects are funded by King County and managed by Snohomish County as part of an agreement related to construction of the Brightwater Wastewater Treatment Plant.

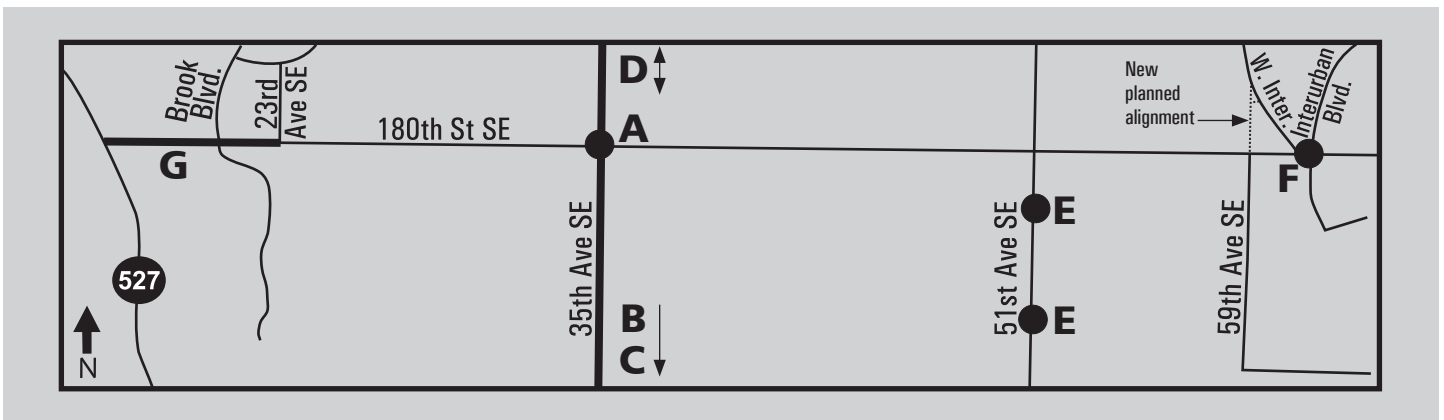
F – 180th St SE/Interurban Boulevard Intersection (2012-2013)

Currently two adjacent branches of Interurban Boulevard intersect the north side of 180th Street SE a short 125 feet from each other. The close proximity of the two roadways causes traffic conflicts. Public Works presented seven alternatives to citizens at a September 2009 Open House. The alternative chosen includes closing West Interurban Boulevard at 180th Street SE. This alternative also includes building a new north/south road on the north side of 180th Street SE from the 59th Avenue SE intersection. Construction is tentatively planned to begin in 2012 and continue into 2013. Visit the county's Web site www.snoco.org, and search "Interurban Blvd" for more information.

G – 180th St SE from SR 527 to 23rd Avenue SE (2013-2014)

The county is in the early design stage of a project to improve conditions for pedestrians and motorists in the area of 180th Street SE between SR 527 and 23rd Avenue SE. There are currently three travel lanes and gaps in the sidewalk. The county is proposing to add two additional travel lanes, and fill gaps in the sidewalk. Construction is planned to begin in 2013. A public Open House will be scheduled during 2012 when more details are available. Visit the county's Web site www.snoco.org, and search "180th" for more information.

Note: Construction schedules are subject to change based on a number of factors that include the availability of funding, length of the permitting process, coordination with other agencies, and weather.



*This paper is recycled & recyclable.
January 2011 (D)*

PRSR STD
US Postage
PAID
Everett, WA
Permit No. 120

Snohomish County
Public Works
TES-Communications
3000 Rockefeller Ave., M/S 607
Everett, WA 98201
Aaron Reardon, County Executive

Update on
35th Avenue SE and
180th Street SE
Corridor Projects