

Snohomish County

Official Local Voters' Pamphlet February 12, 2019 Special Election

as requested by Fire District 1



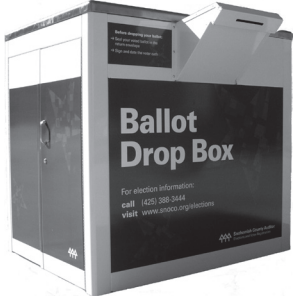
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Ballot Drop Boxes - Open Now



Only the boxes below will be open for the February Special Election.

Boxes are open 24/7 until 8pm on Election Day, February 12.

No postage needed.

Arlington (near library)

135 N Washington Ave

Bothell (QFC parking lot)

22833 Bothell Everett Hwy

Everett (Courthouse Campus)

Rockefeller Ave & Wall St

Everett (McCollum Park and Ride)

600 128th St SE

Lynnwood (in front of City Hall)

19100 44th Ave W

Mill Creek (in turnaround near post office)

159th PI SE and Mill Creek Blvd

Mukilteo (near library)

4675 Harbour Pointe Blvd

Smokey Point (near Lowe's)

3300 169th PI NE

Postage

Postage not required to return your ballot through the mail!

If mailing, make sure your ballot is in the postal box before the last pick-up time on Election Day.

Know When Your Ballot is Arriving

Want to know what's coming to your mailbox? USPS® Informed Delivery® subscribers get to preview their mail before it arrives. Register at informedelivery.usps.com so you can too.

Election Services

Snohomish County Elections has the same services as accessible voting sites and can help with voter registration issues or elections questions.

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Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm
Election Day, February 12, 8am - 8pm

Accessible Voting

Accessible voting equipment will be available to allow voters who cannot vote independently by mail to vote a private, secure ballot.

Accessible voting equipment is available during the hours listed below:



Snohomish County Auditor's Office

3000 Rockefeller Ave
1st Floor Admin West Building
Everett, WA 98201
Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm
Election Day, February 12, 8am - 8pm

Lynnwood Sno-Isle Library

19200 44th Ave W, Lynnwood
Monday, February 11, 10am - 7pm
Election Day, February 12, 8am - 8pm



For TDD service, please call 711.

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www.snohomishcountywa.gov/signup

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**Fire District 1
Proposition No. 1**

Dissolution of Snohomish County Fire District No. 1

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Snohomish County Fire District No. 1 passed Resolution No. 09052018-01 concerning a proposition to dissolve the fire district. This measure would dissolve the fire district effective December 31, 2019, thereby allowing all fire and emergency medical services and administration to be performed exclusively by South County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority which has provided such services since its formation on October 1, 2017.

Should this proposition be:

Approved
Rejected

Explanatory Statement

This measure would dissolve Snohomish County Fire District 1 (the “District”). The District ceased providing fire and emergency medical services on Oct. 1, 2017 when voters approved the creation of South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority (known as South County Fire). Since that date, South County Fire has been the exclusive provider of fire and emergency medical services within the District. South County Fire, a separate governmental entity, is governed by an elected seven-member board.

The District is no longer needed for purposes of providing fire and emergency medical services or for the collection of taxes. Dissolving the District will eliminate unnecessary expenses of operating and managing the District.

Dissolving the District will have no impact on fire and emergency medical services, which are now provided by South County Fire.

Argument in Favor

Vote Yes on Proposition 1.

In 2017, the voters in Fire District 1 and Lynnwood approved a plan forming a regional fire authority to improve service for area residents. The regional fire authority is called South County Fire (SCF). SCF makes Fire District 1 unnecessary, and Proposition 1 will dissolve Fire District 1.

When voters approved the 2017 plan, the Lynnwood Fire Department dissolved immediately. Fire District 1 can only dissolve by a vote of the people. Fire District 1 is no longer necessary because all of its functions are now performed by SCF. SCF provides all of the fire suppression and emergency medical service to the unincorporated area previously served by Fire District 1. That makes Fire District 1 unnecessary.

Dissolving Fire District 1 is a rare opportunity to make your local government more efficient by eliminating an unnecessary layer. Dissolving Fire District 1 will save money because now it is just a shell that provides no services and takes money to maintain. When Fire District 1 is dissolved, the money it used will instead go to SCF to benefit your fire service.

Fire District 1 provided good service for many years, but the voters merged it with the Lynnwood Fire Department in 2017 to create a better successor agency, SCF. Fire District 1 is no longer necessary, and we ask you to vote yes to dissolve it. To learn more visit www.southsnofire.org.

Vote Yes on Proposition 1.

Argument prepared by: Jim Kenny and Michael Cavanaugh

Argument Against

No statement submitted.

After repeated recruitment attempts, no volunteers against the ballot measure came forward to write a statement.

To get involved in future committees, sign up for Elections Newsflashes via email and/or text message at www.snohomishcountywa.gov/signup.

How do I vote my ballot?

Fill in the oval as shown. Use blue or black ink. Do not use a felt pen.

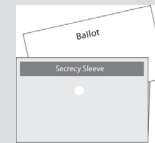


Remove the top stub.

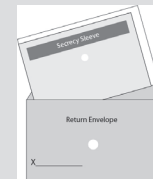
Please do not remove any other portion of your ballot.
Ballots returned with portions missing require extra handling.



Place your voted ballot in the secrecy sleeve -
ballot will extend beyond the sleeve.



Place secrecy sleeve into return envelope.



Sign and seal return envelope.

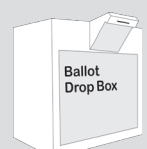


Place envelope in the mail
before the last pick-up time
on Election Day -
No postage necessary.



or

Drop your ballot at any open
Ballot Drop Box, Accessible
Voting Site, or the Auditor's
Office. No postage necessary.



Statements are printed as submitted.

Additional Instructions

1. Remove stub at top of ballot.
Please do not remove any other portion of your ballot.
Ballots returned with portions missing require extra handling.
2. Place your voted ballot into the white secrecy sleeve.
Ballot will extend beyond the sleeve.
3. Place the secrecy sleeve into your return envelope.
4. Sign and date your return envelope. All signatures are verified.
5. Return your ballot as soon as possible.

Option 1 - Mail your ballot so it is postmarked by Election Day, February 12.

Make sure it is in the postal box before the last pick-up time on Election Day.

Return postage is paid - no stamp needed.

Option 2 - Bring your ballot to an open 24-hour ballot drop box (see inside for locations).

It must be in the drop box by 8pm Election Day, February 12.

No stamp required.

6. Confirm your voted ballot has been received at www.myvote.wa.gov.
7. Call or email Snohomish County Elections if your ballot is damaged, lost, or spoiled.