

City of Snoqualmie – Sustainability Profile

City Overview

The City of Snoqualmie is the fastest growing city in King County with a population of 10,950. It is known for its scenic beauty and is home to the stunning 270-foot Snoqualmie Falls waterfall, which generates clean hydropower for about 16,000 average homes. The city has 540 acres of designated open space, 34 parks and 25 miles of hiking and biking trails. Snoqualmie is committed to reducing its environmental footprint through its overarching [Sustainability Strategy](#), and is a founding partner of the [King County-Cities Climate Collaboration](#).

Recent Accomplishments

- *Forest conservation* – in 2001, the City collaborated with the Cascade Land Conservancy to protect over 9,000 acres of forested land in and around Snoqualmie Falls from development in the [Snoqualmie Preservation Initiative](#).
- *Walkable Communities* – The City's [New Urbanist](#) Snoqualmie Ridge Development supports pedestrian activity and increased community interaction, with sidewalks, trails, accessible retail, schools and abundant neighborhood parks all in a walkable setting.
- *Green Building* – Over half of the City's new residences, or more than 2000 homes, meet a Built Green level 3 standard. Snoqualmie's new [City Hall](#) was built with LEED principles, including natural ventilation, sustainable materials and radiant-floor heating & cooling.
- *Reclaimed Water* – The City has been using reclaimed wastewater to irrigate City parks, street trees and a golf course for over ten years; the treatment plant also produces Class A organic biosolids, a slow-releasing organic fertilizer available free to residents.



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