

# Enumclaw Recycling & Transfer Station

## Fact Sheet

**Overview:** Enumclaw Recycling & Transfer Station was constructed in 1993 on 25 acres of land located at the south border of the closed Enumclaw Landfill. The station consists of a 40,000 square foot enclosed transfer building with waste compaction equipment, a scalehouse, a recyclable materials collection area with a 10,000 square foot roof canopy, and a public restroom. The station services residents and businesses largely from the Black Diamond, Enumclaw, and Maple Valley areas.

**Location:** 1650 Battersby Ave E, Enumclaw, WA 98022

### Hours of operation

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

Closed: Wed & Thurs

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

**What happens to the waste?** The waste is transported by county employees in trailers from Enumclaw to the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill, 21 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 (household goods and textiles) are donated to local non-profits.

### Notable features

- The building was designed to sustain 90 mph winds.
- To actively involve self-haulers and change the way they think about disposing waste, signs were placed to encourage customers to "Sort it Out" by placing their recyclable materials in the proper bins. 175 additional tons were recovered in 2015.
- Funded by the 1% for Art Program and designed by artists Thompson Brennan and James Pridgeon, an entry gate and sculptural installation entitled "Elemental Cycle" recognizes the history of the local community and reinforces the act of recycling through the artists' use of discarded items from local industry.
- Compactors for cardboard and for commingled recyclable materials reduce the number of truck trips to a recycling facility in Seattle, lowering carbon emissions and transportation costs.



Enumclaw scalehouse



Scale operators greet self-haul customers and accept payments



Receptacles are color-coded – green for cardboard, blue for scrap metal, and orange for clean wood – so customers can sort recyclable materials instead of dumping them directly onto the tipping floor.



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**2015 at a glance**

- **Who are the customers?** 97 percent of visits were made by self-haul customers, who contributed 63 percent of the total solid waste received at the station. Commercial customers contributed 37 percent of the total solid waste with 3 percent of the visits.
  - **Tons of solid waste disposed:** 21,347. This constitutes 3 percent of solid waste at all King County transfer stations.
  - **Total customer visits:** 44,583
  - **Recycling services:**
    - Appliances\*
    - Cardboard
    - Mercury-containing light bulbs and tubes
    - Scrap metal
    - Textiles
    - Reusable household goods
    - Wood (clean, untreated)\*
    - 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).



Compactors for recyclable materials

\* Fees apply

**Recycling Tonnage**

Cardboard	Mixed Paper	TAP <sup>1</sup>	Glass	Metal	Yard Waste	Clean Wood	Appliances	Misc.	Total*
180	246	68	141	228	283	16	26	4	1192

<sup>1</sup> TAP (tin, aluminum and plastic)

\* This constitutes 7 percent of the recycling at all King County transfer stations.

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