



 **King County**
Department of
Natural Resources and Parks
Solid Waste Division

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Northeast Recycling and Transfer Station

Siting Advisory Group Meeting 5, March 17, 2021

Welcome!

- Zoom orientation
- Closed captioning
- Staff introductions



Land Acknowledgment

We would like to take a moment to acknowledge that the land we live, learn, work and gather on is the traditional territory of the Coast Salish people including the Duwamish People both past and present.

These stewards of this land, their enduring relationship that exists between the indigenous peoples and their traditional lands, who called and still call this land home before we were here and after we have gone, deserve much more than our acknowledgement. However, acknowledgement of the land and people are a great place to start.

We have much gratitude and appreciation for those who have come before us, and who will be here after us and realize the importance of the longstanding history that has brought us here to this point, today. We should constantly reflect as we occupy this space on these indigenous lands and its people, our history our ancestors. Thank you.

Agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- Community survey results
- Review weighting & scoring
- Rank top four sites
- Public comment

Siting Advisory Group (SAG) Business

- New member – Troy Anderson, Woodinville Chamber of Commerce
- Disclosure forms

SAG Member Introductions

- Name and pronouns (she/her, he/him, they/them)
- What are you hearing about the siting process? Any insights to share? (Aaron, John, & Diana)

Ground Rules Reminder

- Foster safe and inclusive conversations by acknowledging and centering historically underrepresented and underserved communities
- Apply creative thinking grounded in equity
- Make space for differing concerns, perspectives and opinions
- When making comments, consider time needed for others to share their thoughts and perspectives (step up / step back)
- Make effort to come to meetings prepared to participate actively

Community Criteria Process

Step	Description	When
P Community values	Gather input on community values from SAG and community	Oct 5 – Nov 20 (SAG kickoff & survey)
P Community criteria	Turn values into community criteria	SAG 2 and 3
P Weight criteria	Validate, prioritize & weight community criteria	SAG 3 and 4
P Scoring sites	Apply community criteria to top 4 Sites using measurement scales	Between SAG 3 and 4
Evaluation discussion	Review results and adjust weighting as needed	SAG 5
Site ranking	Confirm ranking of 4 Sites based on community criteria	SAG 5
Environmental review	Up to 3 top-ranked sites go into environmental review	Spring 2021

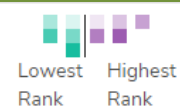
Community Survey Results

Survey Response Data

- 2,431 total responses
- 31 in-language responses
 - Traditional Chinese
 - Simplified Chinese
 - Spanish
 - Russian
 - Farsi
- By area – of 2,431 total responses # answered location question

Community criteria rankings

Community Criteria	Rank	Rank Distribution	No. of Rankings
Site has fewest potential local community impacts (e.g. traffic, noise, odor).	1		1,490
Site has fewest impacts to sensitive areas and avoids environmental red flags (e.g., landslide potential, wetlands, earthquake faults, aquifers that provide drinking water, etc).	2		1,462
Site acquisition has least impact on current or future residential or commercial use.	3		1,466
Location has best travel times at most times of the day within the service area.	4		1,414
Site best accommodates sustainable and innovative design.	5		1,384
Site has most reasonable cost.	6		1,391
Are there disproportionate impacts to historically and currently underserved and underrepresented communities? (Includes Immigrants, people of color, refugees and low-income populations).	7		1,344
Underserved and underrepresented community members and employees are able to conveniently access the site.	8		1,346
Location is within 10 miles from any point in the service area and no closer than 5 miles to any other county recycling and transfer station.	9		1,340



Survey results: site information and specific concerns

- What do you know about nearby schools, playfields, daycare centers, or other places children may be present?
- What do you know about nearby churches, community centers, or other gathering places?
- What do you know about frequently visited small businesses or other establishments?
- Have you experienced nearby traffic congestion? Where? What time of day has greatest traffic congestion?
- What do you know about pedestrians or cyclists in the nearby area?
- Do you have any specific concerns about putting a transfer station at this site?

16111 Woodinville Redmond Rd NE, Woodinville



Size:	13.6 Acres
Zoning:	Industrial
Current use:	Warehouse, Office space
Critical areas:	Seismic Hazard Identified; Potential stream TBD



16111 Woodinville-Redmond Rd NE, Woodinville

- Chrysalis High School is located across the street from the site.
- The Sammamish River Trail is nearby, which is popular for cyclists and pedestrians.
- Concerns over noise and increased traffic, especially for nearby schools and condominiums.
- Proposed site is close to Woodinville wine district, which is a large tourist destination for the city of Woodinville.
- Site access is constrained already and would impact family-owned businesses.

11811 Willows Rd NE, Redmond



**SW CORNER OF
WILLOWS RD / NE124TH**

Size:	15.4 Acres
Zoning:	Business Park
Current use:	Vacant, NW Design District
Critical areas:	Mapped stream along southern boundary; steep slopes; seismic hazard on eastern boundary



11811 Willows Rd NE, Redmond

- The site is very close to 60 Acres Park, which is a large and widely used soccer and athletic fields.
- Concerns about peak-hour traffic. Respondents are worried that trucks and haulers coming and going would increase traffic issues.
- The route is also used by commuting and non-commuting cyclists accessing the Sammamish River Trail.
- The proposed site poses environmental concerns due to its location on a hillside and proximity to a protected wetland area.

7024 116th Ave NE, Kirkland



Size:	5.1 Acres
Zoning:	Park
Current use:	Park and Ride
Critical areas:	None Identified



7024 116th Ave NE, Kirkland

- Lake Washington High School, Holy Family Parish School and Ben Franklin Elementary nearby.
- Concerns over loss of the Park and Ride.
- It is a densely populated area and there are concerns about traffic, especially during rush hour.
- Site proximity to the freeway was considered a benefit.
- The area surrounding the site experiences high levels of pedestrian traffic with nearby schools and is a frequent cycling route.
- Site size is very small compared to other sites.

11724 NE 60th St, Kirkland



Size:	25.4 Acres
Zoning:	Park
Current use:	Transfer station, ball fields, closed landfill
Critical areas:	None Identified



11724 NE 60th St, Kirkland

- Ben Franklin Elementary is nearby.
- Borders Bridle Trails State Park and adjacent baseball fields are widely used.
- The Bridle Trails Shopping Center is nearby, but the area is otherwise largely residential.
- There is peak hour traffic, although the site has easy access to I-405.
- The site is located in a highly residential area with pedestrian and cyclist traffic.
- Concerns about the history of the station siting and previous King County transfer station development plans.

Review weighting & scoring

Results for Consensus Weighting

Northeast Recycling and Transfer Station Siting Study

ID#	Evaluation Criteria				
		Woodinville	Redmond	Park n Ride (Kirkland)	Houghton RTS (Kirkland)
Total Score		38.4	35.4	75.1	75.6
1	Minimize travel time to RTS	6.6	9.9	8.8	7.7
2	Ensure even distribution of services	5.9	5.0	1.7	2.5
3	Avoid disproportionate impacts to U/U communities	4.7	4.9	9.7	9.7
4	Maximize U/U site access	0.6	4.6	9.3	9.3
5	Limit impacts to sensitive areas and avoid environmental red flags	4.8	1.6	12.9	8.9
6	Limit community impacts	5.7	3.3	6.8	5.1
7	Accommodate sustainable and innovative design	9.3	6.0	6.7	8.6
8	Minimize the cost of site acquisition	0.0	0.0	9.0	11.0
9	Limit impact to current/future use	0.8	0.0	10.3	12.7

Break Time – see you in 10!



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Rank top 4 sites

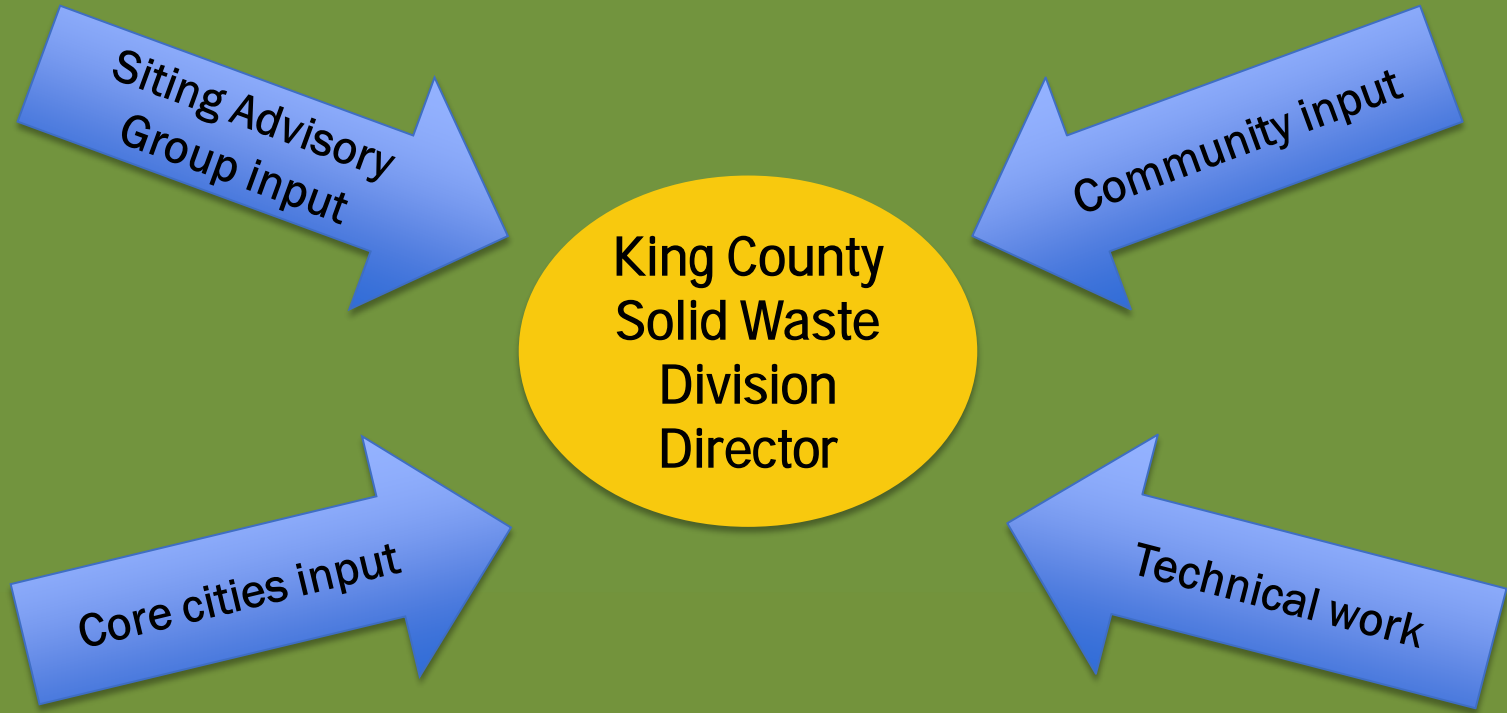
From SAG Charter:

The purpose of the Siting Advisory Group (SAG) is to help develop and apply site selection criteria, identify community concerns and impacts, create public awareness of the project, provide general review and input, and express opinions and preferences to King County decision-makers. The SAG brings together stakeholders and community representatives to provide feedback and input, and express community concerns and opinions to County decision-makers. The committee also exists to be a conduit of information between the County and community members.

Siting Process Next Steps

- Select sites for environmental review
- Conduct environmental review
- Select final site

Role of SAG in Decision-Making Process



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SAG Ranking notes

Consensus:

- Provide SAG weighted scores
- Provide community criteria
- Concerns about commitment to Houghton re: current transfer station
- Regardless of site, include mitigation to make it community amenity

Additional input:

- How many sites to take into environmental review
- Reconsider any of top 15 sites

- Concerns about removal of park n ride & traffic impacts
- Concerns about tearing down a large building (Woodinville)
- Concerns about impacting ongoing development with affordable housing
- Provide information about available mitigation to community
- Proximity to rail corridor

Public Comment



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Public Comment

- Opportunities for observers to make comments to the SAG
- Please raise your virtual hand to indicate a desire to comment
- The committee will listen; not respond
- Time limit will be determined based on number of observers desiring to make comments
- Comments can also be submitted via email, phone or the website
 - www.kingcounty.gov/northeast
 - 206-477-4466
 - Email us at northeast@kingcounty.gov

Next Steps

- Hear county's decision on sites to move into environmental review
- Learn about environmental review process and role of SAG and community
- Next SAG meeting: Wednesday, April 28



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