



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

Waste Prevention | Resource Recovery | Waste Disposal

Northeast Recycling and Transfer Station

Siting Advisory Group Meeting 9, November 2, 2022

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us this evening to learn more about the Northeast Recycling & Transfer Station project.

Zoom Overview

Video and audio is only enabled for presenters and panelists

Welcoming Remarks

Introductions



Meeting Agenda

- 01** Welcome
Penny Mabie, Consultant
Mary O'Hara, King County Project Manager
- 02** Project Update
Mary O'Hara
- 03** State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) environmental review
Mary O'Hara
Phil Coughlan, Consultant
- 04** Consider community involvement in EIS
Kalyn Brady, King County Public Involvement
- 05** Public Comment
Penny Mabie
- 06** Next steps and wrap up
Penny Mabie
Mary O'Hara

Meeting Goals

The goal of this evening's meeting is to share information about the environmental review process, gain insight from you regarding community involvement activities, and to answer your questions.

Siting Advisory Group (SAG) Business

- Housekeeping topics
- Ground rules

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

Project Update

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Beginning in 2020, the County used a six-step process to evaluate and eliminate sites in order to narrow the possibilities.

Where we are now

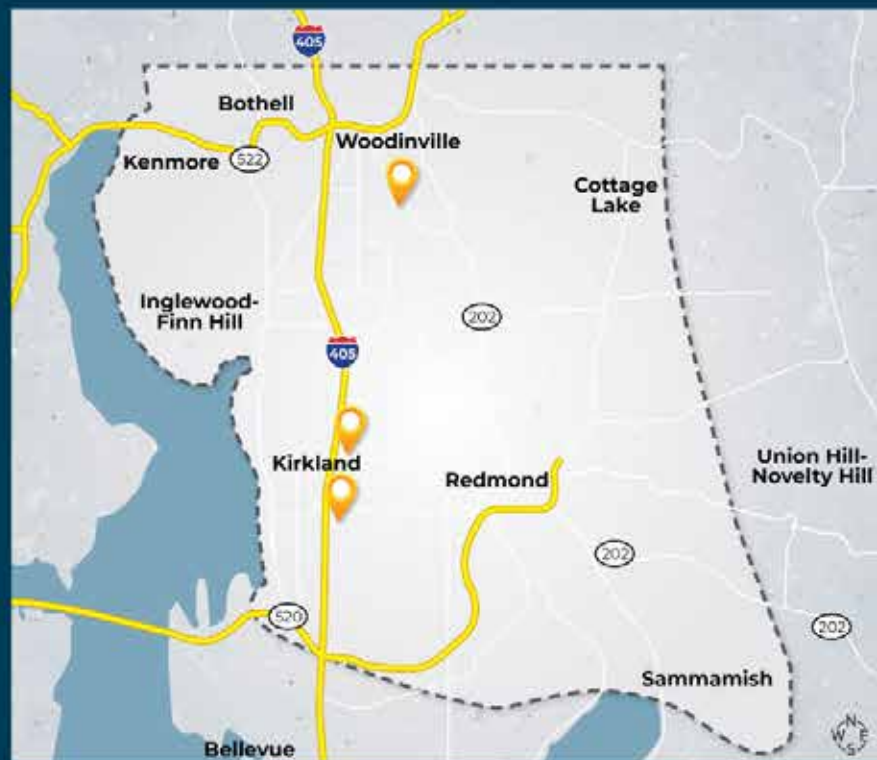




Project update

King County Solid Waste Division will study three site alternatives in the environmental review, as well as a no-action alternative.

- ✔ 11724 NE 60th St, Kirkland
Houghton Transfer Station/Closed Landfill
- ✔ 7024 116th Ave NE, Kirkland
Houghton Park & Ride
- ✔ 15801 Woodinville-Redmond Rd NE, Woodinville
Property owned by Northwest Utilities and five other parcels with portable toilet rentals, manufacturing, automotive services, and vacant land



Environmental review schedule

November 2, 2022	SAG #9 Meeting
Nov. 3, 2022 – Jan. 17, 2023	Scoping: Public comment period
January 2023 – Nov. 2023	Conduct technical analysis and prepare Draft EIS
November 2023	SAG #10
November 2023	Issue Draft EIS
Late 2023	Draft EIS: Public comment period
Spring 2024	Issue Final EIS

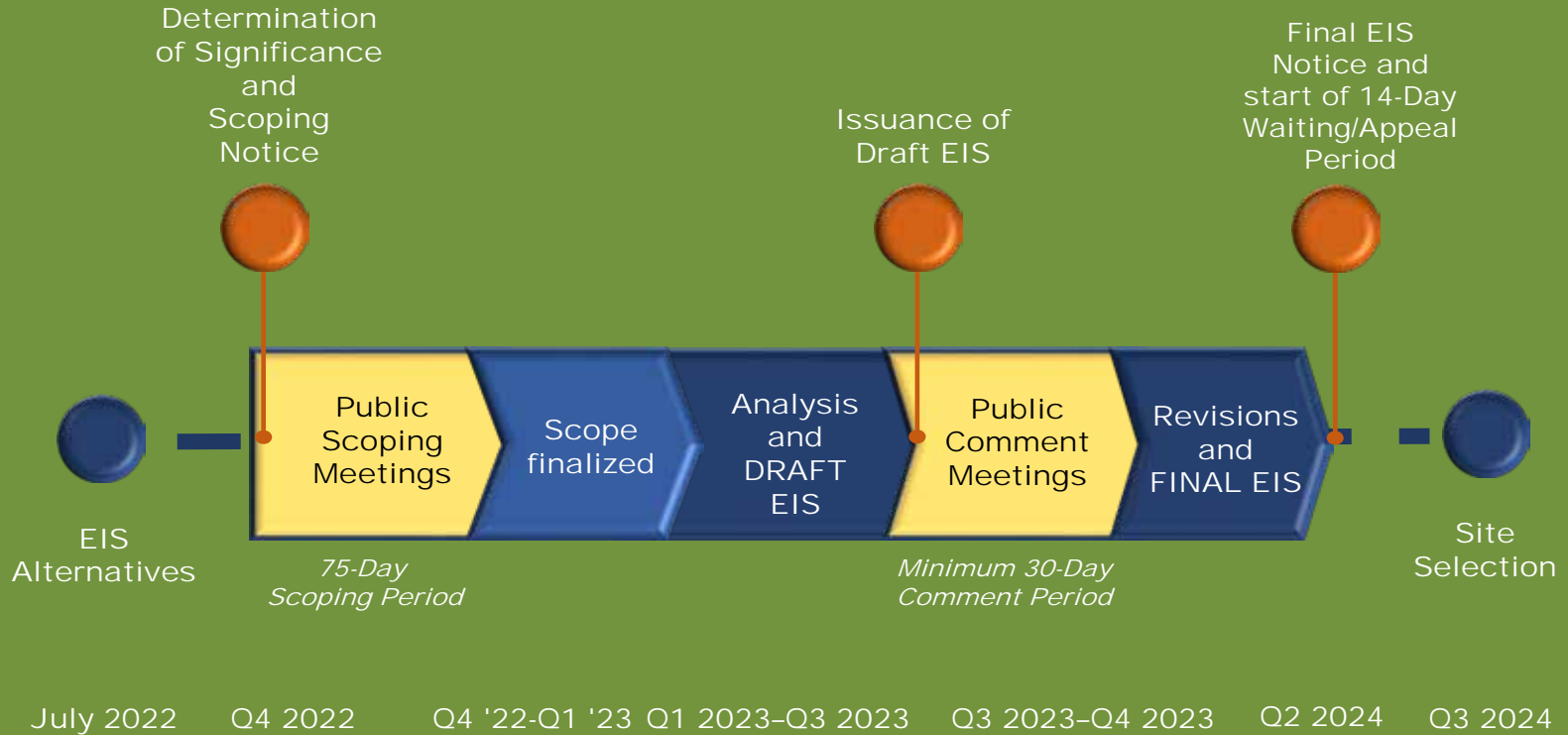
State Environmental Policy Act

- 1 Enacted in 1971, SEPA is a law that requires state and local agencies to identify the potential environmental impacts of proposed actions and plans through a formal review process.
- 2 When potentially significant adverse impacts are anticipated, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required.

The SEPA process identifies and analyzes environmental impacts associated with governmental decisions.



EIS Process



The Decision Making Process



Environmental
Review



Finances



Equity Impact
Report



Socio-Economic
Impact Assessment



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Scoping Phase: Overview

Scoping:

Opportunity for the public, Tribes, jurisdictions and technical experts to give feedback about what should be assessed in the project's environmental review.

Scope of study typically includes:

- Alternatives to be studied
- Elements of the environment to study
- Specific environmental issues of concern
- Potential mitigation (steps to minimize negative environmental impacts)



How to provide meaningful public comment

Comments that help shape the environmental review:

- Are specific and factual
- May suggest a different approach to meet the project need or a different approach to a specific part of the proposal
- Provide information or suggestions about a specific potential impact or potential mitigation

Comments that only express support for or opposition to the project or an alternative are not helpful for informing what the scope of the environmental review should be and are not considered.

Opportunities to provide public comment

Comments can be submitted:

Verbally to a court reporter at a meeting

By comment form at a meeting or online open house

By email: northeast@kingcounty.gov

By mail:

King County Solid Waste Division
Attn: Mary O'Hara, P.E., PMP,
NERTS Project Manager
201 S. Jackson Street
Suite 5701
Seattle, Washington 98104

Break Time



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Community Involvement for the EIS

- Outreach to stakeholder organizations
- Email updates and notification to project subscribers
- Briefings to community groups
- Tabling at local events
- Multilingual mailer to over 120,000 addresses
- Media – social media, multilingual paid ads
- In-person open houses (interpretation available on request)
- Virtual open house (interpretation available on request)

EIS Scoping Public Input Opportunities

- ✔ EIS Scoping Online Open House Available for use by Community: November 3
- ✔ Scoping Meeting #1 (in-person): December 1
Lake Washington High School, Kirkland
- ✔ Scoping Meeting #2 (virtual): December 7
via Zoom
- ✔ Scoping Meeting #3 (in-person): December 8
Brightwater Center, Woodinville
- ✔ Public Input and Scoping Period:
November 3, 2022 - January 17, 2023



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 group 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

- SAG members and community provide input for scope of what to study (November 3, 2022 – January 17, 2023)
- Issue draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) (late 2023)
- Draft EIS public comment period (late 2023)
- Issue Final EIS (Spring 2024)
- Site selection (Summer 2024)
- Begin site design (Fall 2024)



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