

Public Works 2023 Proposed Budget

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Public Works Special Initiatives

- Balance staffing & funding for growing commitments & workload
- Growth management:
 - Solid Waste systems and waste export
 - Transportation concurrency and ST2/ST3 coordination
- NPDES compliance and culverts/fish passage program
- Hybrid workforce norming and office improvements
- Innovative technology solutions:
 - Cartegraph expansion, Automated Vehicle Location (AVL) RFP, CRM implementation, and Open Text public facing records depository testing
- Facilities projects:
 - Arlington Operations Center phase one design
 - Granite Falls Road Maintenance site redevelopment
 - Vactor facility expansion

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Mission

Our mission is to meet opportunities and needs of Snohomish County's residents efficiently, equitably, creatively, and collaboratively.

- As a provider, we are easy to work with and deliver efficient, quality services.
- As a collaborator, we work with regional partners to expand our effectiveness.
- As a steward, we support natural conservation and economic prosperity through innovation.

We do our work with honesty, transparency, respect, empathy, and teamwork.



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Other County Council Questions

- CARES/ARPA funds none requested
- PW hybrid workforce:
 - Operations and field staff remain fully operable
 - ~85% office staff working primarily remote
 - More in-office events this year to improve team collaboration
 - Assessing future business needs for working at the office
 - Developing office floor plans to best support hybrid workforce



Admin Operations

- Director/County Engineer
- Contract Administration
- Budget/Fiscal
- Technology/Public Records
- HR/Payroll
- Special Projects
- Transfer out/SWM Fees
- Debt payments
- \$39M (36.5 FTE)

Road Maintenance

- Pavement Preservation
- Road Signs/Markings
- Bridges
- Drainage/NPDES
- Routine Maintenance
- \$43M (184.5 FTE)

Road Fund \$148M Budget

(410 FTEs)

Engineering Services

- Design
- Survey
- Right Of Way
- Geotech
- Construction
- \$51M (117 FTE)

Transportation & Environmental Services

- Project Planning/Programming
- Environmental Permitting
- Public Involvement
- Traffic Operations
- \$14M (72 FTE)

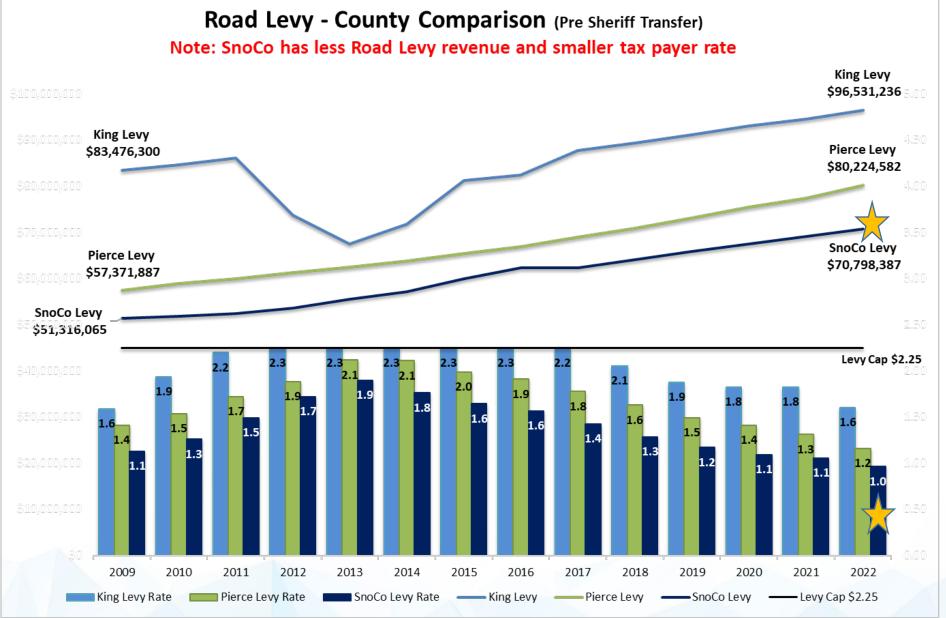


Revenues – Road Fund

Fund	Funding Source	2022 Adopted	2023 Exec Submitted	Change
102	County Road Levy	\$ 71,338,000	\$ 73,000,000*	\$ 1,662,000
102	Grants	\$ 16,886,000	\$ 15,820,000	\$ (1,066,000)
102	Other Revenue	\$ 38,113,241	\$ 45,374,773	\$ 7,261,532
102	Fund Balance Use	\$ 10,450,227	\$ 13,633,972	\$ 3,183,744
	Road Fund Total	\$ 136,787,468	\$ 147,828,745	\$ 11,041,277

^{*}Includes 1% annual increase to County Road Levy





^{*}Road levy rate only \$1 per \$1,000 assessed value (max \$2.25).



^{*}Road levy rate limited to 1% annual increases.

Expenditures – Road Fund

Fund	Division/Program	2022 Adopted	2023 Exec Submitted	Change
102	Admin Operations	\$ 36,256,487	\$ 38,975,506	\$ 3,629,019*
102	Transp. & Environ. Services	\$ 12,366,264	\$ 13,853,982	\$ 1,487,718
102	Engineering Services	\$ 46,915,202	\$ 50,619,386	\$ 3,704,184
102	Road Maintenance	\$ 41,249,515	\$ 43,469,871	\$ 2,220,356
	Road Fund Total	\$ 136,787,468	\$ 147,828,745	\$ 11,041,277

^{*}Includes ~\$3 million in new debt payments for Arlington Operations Center construction bond



Expenditures – Other Funds

Fund	Division/Program	2022 Adopted	E	2023 kec Submitted	Change
188*	Facility Construction	\$ 850,000	\$	2,755,000	\$ 1,905,000
192	Mitigation Fund	\$ 6,927,000	\$	7,824,000	\$ 897,000
507	Pits & Quarries	\$ 2,503,281	\$	10,427	\$ (2,492,854)

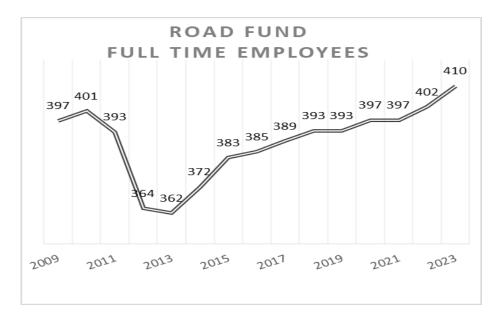
^{*}Fund 188 is for Arlington Operations Center project (year one of multi-year project – mostly design)

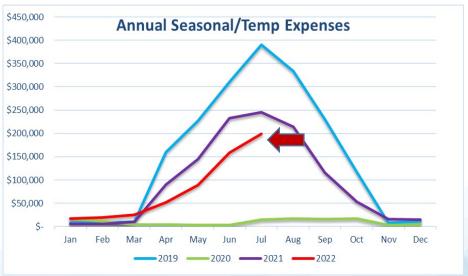


Staffing – Road Fund

Road Fund Proposed FTE Changes:

- Total FTEs: 402 to 410 (+2%)
 - -2 Noxious Weeds FTEs transferred to SWM
 - New FTEs for Road Fund:
 - One (1) TES Transportation Specialist for Road Safety Plan
 - One (1) TES ROW Investigator III for traffic permitting counter
 - One (1) Librarian for records management
 - Half (.5) Supported Employment OA1 promoted to regular OA2
 - Half (.5) Supported Employment OA1 to backfill program
 - Six (6) new FTEs for SWM and drainage work
- Staffing Challenges:
 - Vacancy rate at 10% (began year at 18%!)
 - Ongoing seasonal worker shortage
 - Pay less competitive for certain job classes
 - More limited availability of consultants







Road Fund Questions

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Solid Waste Management

Solid Waste, in coordination with many service providers, oversees county programs and facilities for the proper management of garbage, recycling and household hazardous waste.

- Admin, Planning, Finance, Environmental Services, Household Haz Waste
- Operations and Waste Export
- Submitted budget: \$85 million and 160 FTEs



Solid Waste Tonnage (Blue Line) and Headcount 700,000 600,018 600,000 519,887 510,548 500,000 398,546 400,000 300,000 200,000 100,000 **Budget Budget ─** TOTAL TONS ■ ACTUAL HEADCOUNT (Hours: FTE + OT + Temp) / 2080)

- Tonnage continues to grow at a steady pace (blue line)
- Actual time worked (staffing headcount) flat since 2018 (grey bars)
- Three (+3) new FTEs requested for planning: brings total budgeted FTEs to 160 (+1.9%)
- Ongoing challenges: high vacancies, temporary worker shortage, and high overtime



Revenues – Solid Waste

Fund	Funding Source	2022 Adopted	2023 Exec Submitted	Change
402	Waste Disposal (tip fees)	\$ 67,113,195	\$ 70,886,890	\$ 3,773,695
402	Other Revenue*	\$ 13,708,753	\$ 5,158,135	\$ (8,550,618)
402	Total Revenue	\$ 80,821,948	\$ 76,045,025	\$ (4,776,923)

- 2023 Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) tonnage estimated at 600,018 (2.3% growth from 2022 budget)
- 2023 Residual Recycling Waste (RRW) tonnage estimated at 120,000 (43% growth from 2022 budget)
- 2023 Vactor truck loads estimated at 9,116 (52% growth from 2022 budget)
- *Other Revenue in 2022 included an estimated land sale of \$9M for Cathcart South property (actual proceeds were \$8.5M)



Expenditures – Solid Waste

Fund	Division/Program	2022 Adopted	2023 Exec Submitted	Change
402	Debt	\$ 2,777,913	\$ 820,586	\$ (1,957,327)
402	Capital	\$ 4,439,000	\$ 6,085,000	\$ 1,646,000
402	Admin	\$ 6,041,461	\$ 6,743,839	\$ 702,378
402	Planning	\$ 906,162	\$ 1,378,936	\$ 472,774
402	Household Haz Waste	\$ 1,425,580	\$ 1,410,046	\$ (15,534)
402	Operations	\$ 22,391,586	\$ 23,213,130	\$ 821,544
402	Waste Export	\$ 36,166,020	\$ 41,572,526	\$ 5,406,506
402	Env Services Section	\$ 1,816,987	\$ 2,312,140	\$ 495,153
402	Vactor / Sweepings	\$ 1,094,129	\$ 1,456,301	\$ 362,172
	Total Fund 402	\$ 77,058,838	\$ 84,992,504	\$ 7,933,666



Staffing Changes (FTEs) – Solid Waste

Fund	Division/Program	2022 Adopted	2023 Exec Submitted	Change
402	Solid Waste Management	157	160	+3

- Permanent Staffing
 - Three (+3) new FTEs requested for planning
- Temporary/Seasonal
 - Status quo (target ~30 seasonal/temp workers)
- All regular positions are funded in 2023 budget
- Historically, vacancies range between 5 − 12 FTEs
 - Currently 11 vacant after recent hiring surge
 - Seeing higher turnover for new hires





Solid Waste Questions

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