

74324 NE Old Cascade Highway Skykomish, Washington 98288 kingcounty.gov/skykomish

NOTE: No cash or checks

## Summer hours of operation

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8am-5pm	8am-5pm	8am-5pm	8am-5pm	8am-5pm	8am-5pm	8am-5pm

#### Winter hours of operation

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
9am-6pm	9am-6pm	9am-6pm	9am-6pm	9am-6pm	9am-6pm	9am-6pm

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

#### Overview

The facility was built in 1980 on a seven-acre property, which has a buffer between the facility and the rail line on the north side, a residential neighbor on the east side, King County Roads field office on the west, and a small helipad and Old Cascade Highway on the south side. It includes a no-fee recycling area and a fenced solid waste disposal area with two top-loading drop boxes, each with two stalls. For access to the disposal area, customers use the self-service payment kiosk that only accepts prepaid Solid Waste disposal cards or credit cards. The station serves residents and businesses from the Skykomish area.

### Maximum load size

Not greater than three cubic yards (about the size of a pickup truck load).

#### Vehicle length limits

30 feet. No hydraulic lift trailers or lift vehicles allowed. Max combined length limit for vehicles and trailers from bumper to bumper.

#### What happens to the waste?

The waste is transported by a private commercial hauler in drop boxes from Skykomish to the Factoria Recycling and Transfer Station in Bellevue where it is compacted and then transported by county employees to the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill.

#### 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.



Signs direct customers to the Recycle Center or Disposal Area



## **Skykomish Drop Box**

#### Notable features

- It is the most remote solid waste facility operated by King County and is
  unstaffed. Cameras are used to monitor activities, and King County staff makes
  regular visits to the site to perform maintenance. In addition, employees from
  the King County Road Services Division facility next door helps monitor the site.
- The facility received a new roof in 2008 after the old roof collapsed under record snowfall in January of that year.

# 2021 at a glance

#### Who are the customers?

Self-haul customers and the Town of Skykomish Public Works Department.

## Tons of solid waste disposed

991. This constitutes less than 1 percent of solid waste at all King County transfer stations.

#### Total customer visits

3,460

## **Recycling services**

- · Cardboard\*
- The following can be combined in the large blue "Recyclable Materials" containers, must be empty, clean and dry:
  - Paper, including office paper, junk mail, envelopes, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, paper food boxes, cartons such as milk, juice and broth cartons, paper cups if securely tied in clear plastic bags, and hard and paperback books
  - Cans (aluminum, tin, steel)
  - Glass bottles and jars
  - Plastic bottles, cups, jugs, tubs, pots, food containers, clamshells, trays
  - Lids (3 inches or more)

## 2021 Recycling Tonnage

Cardboard	Mixed Paper	Mixed Container	Glass	Total
23	17	5	10	55



Disposal area (4 stalls) exterior gate to the Skykomish Drop Box



<sup>\*</sup> These materials must be recycled at facilities that accept these materials for recycling.