

Proposed residential treatment facility in North Snohomish County

Virtual town hall meeting
Tuesday, March 22 6 to 8 p.m.

Town hall norms

- ▶ All meeting participants will be muted.
- ▶ Please click on the link in the chat to ask questions.
- ▶ Questions will be addressed at the end of the meeting as time allows.
- ▶ If we cannot answer your question during the meeting, we will have someone follow up with you.



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Agenda

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| • Facility program overview | • Keri Waterland and Kara Panek |
| • Who will run the facility? | • Wenaha Group |
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| • In summary | • Keri Waterland |
| • Questions | • All |

A photograph of a group of people sitting in a circle on chairs, viewed from a high angle. The focus is on the lower bodies and hands of the individuals. One person in the foreground wears grey jeans and a grey sweater, with their hands clasped. Another person next to them wears blue jeans and a yellow shirt, also with hands clasped. To the left, a person wears black pants and black boots. A semi-transparent light grey circle is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the word 'Background' in a black serif font, with a horizontal line under the letter 'g'.

Background

Washington State behavioral health plan

Previously, people had to go to the two state psychiatric hospitals if they were ordered for longer lengths of treatment.

The state is moving towards community-based treatment facilities.

Community-based treatment facilities provide a place where people can stay close to their families and communities.

Why build a community-based treatment center?



Treat people closer to their homes and communities.



Invest in community-based treatment options

Why Snohomish County?

- ▶ Snohomish does not have the capacity to serve community members on long term involuntary psychiatric orders.
- ▶ As of March 2022, there are six contracted beds in the county.
- ▶ People who get inpatient behavioral health services closer to home have a better support network and are more successful in recovery.
- ▶ While this is a new project for the Health Care Authority, Health Care Authority has contracted with this type of facility for years.

What is civil commitment?

When people are gravely disabled or likely to harm themselves or others, they receive acute psychiatric inpatient treatment in a community hospital or a certified evaluation and treatment facility.

The goal of this level of care is to quickly evaluate, diagnose and stabilize acute symptoms.



Facility program overview

What kind of facility is proposed?

- ▶ A 16-bed facility to provide inpatient evaluation and treatment services.
- ▶ The facility will serve individuals who are civilly committed on 90- or-180-day orders.
- ▶ The facility will enable people to receive mental health treatment close to their home, family, and community.
- ▶ The purpose of this facility to become a part of the community as a resource, a partner, and a good neighbor.

Who will the facility serve?

Individuals 18 and older who are court ordered for long-term behavioral health treatment, under the states [Involuntary Treatment Act](#).

Patients have symptoms of a mood or thought disorder which have resulted in an inability to stay safe and/or healthy.

These are not individuals involved in the criminal justice system.



What kind of treatment will the facility provide?

- ▶ Treatment is individualized and may include counseling, medication management, and other rehabilitative services (for example, independent living skills).

What does “secure facility” mean?

Individuals receiving treatment under the Involuntary Treatment Act require staff escort to leave the facility.

The facility will be secure and locked, with all appropriate policies and procedures to ensure safety of the individuals, staff, and community.

- [Read the fact sheet](#) to learn about specific policies.

Individuals receiving treatment may be unable to care for their own health or safety.

Patients are more likely to be victims of crime than perpetrators.



What happens after treatment is complete?

- ▶ From the time of admission, individuals work with the treatment team to create a discharge plan.
- ▶ Discharge plans include medication management, case management, and medical care.
- ▶ The treatment team works with the discharging patient to help ensure a well-coordinated handoff to pre-arranged housing.



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A settlement between the Tulalip Tribes of Washington and the Health Care Authority stipulates that the Tribes will invest \$35 M in a civil commitment facility of 48 beds or less.

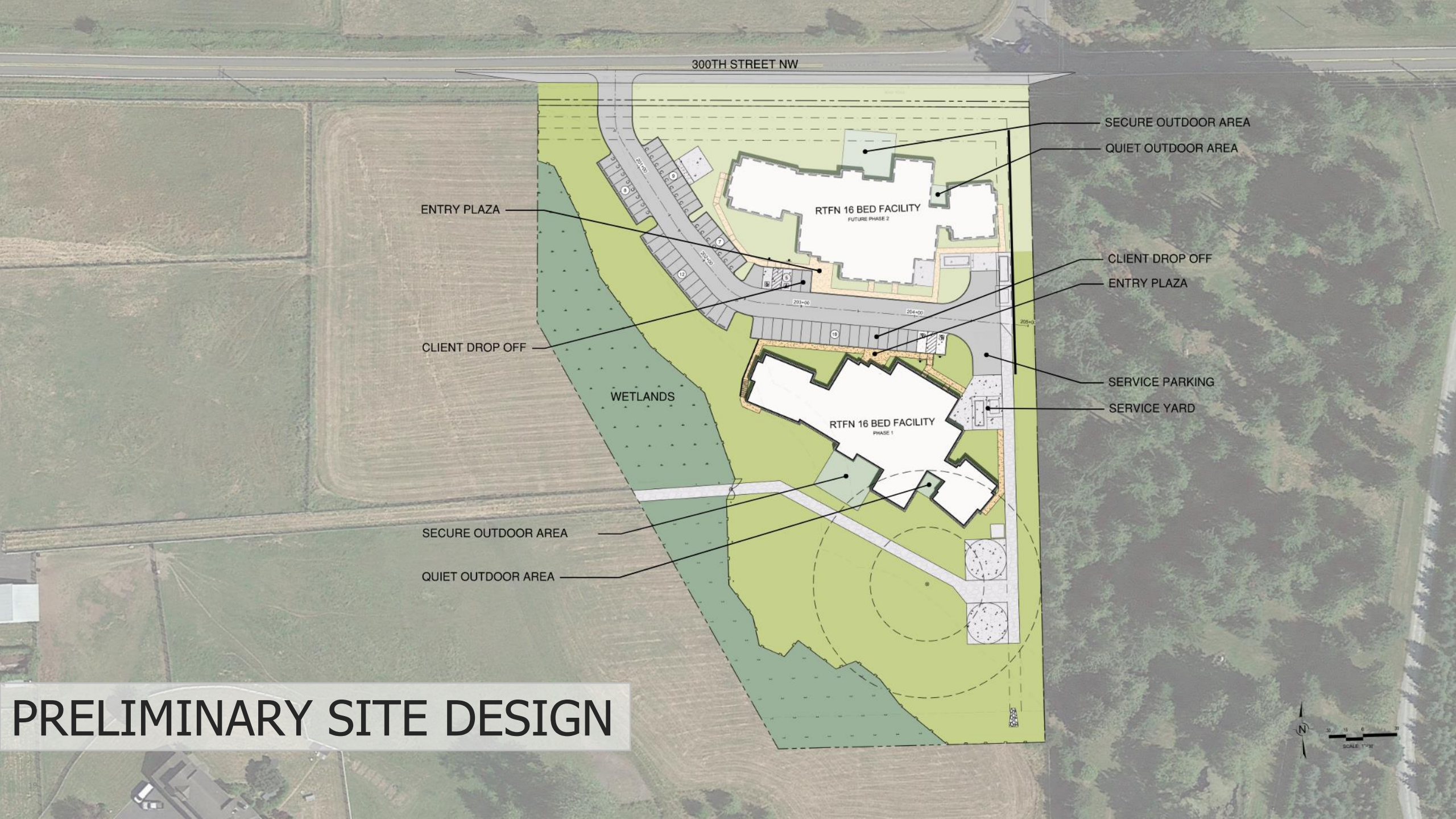
The Health Care Authority will be the owner of the building and hire a behavioral health provider to run the facility.

The Health Care Authority is tentatively scheduled to open the facility in 2024.

The state may build another building in the future if funding is available.



Design/Build
Team



300TH STREET NW

SECURE OUTDOOR AREA

QUIET OUTDOOR AREA

ENTRY PLAZA

RTFN 16 BED FACILITY
FUTURE PHASE 2

CLIENT DROP OFF

ENTRY PLAZA

CLIENT DROP OFF

WETLANDS

SERVICE PARKING

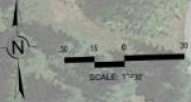
SERVICE YARD

RTFN 16 BED FACILITY
PHASE 1

SECURE OUTDOOR AREA

QUIET OUTDOOR AREA

PRELIMINARY SITE DESIGN



Facility impacts on neighbors

- ▶ This facility provides long-term civil commitment services with minimal visits to and from the facility during the individual's treatment.
- ▶ Traffic impact will be minimal. Shoulder will be created full width of parcel to improve traffic safety.
- ▶ New water system and septic system will not impact the neighbors



WHAT WILL THE BUILDING LOOK LIKE?



FLOOR PLAN



COMMONS & DINING



NATURE NOOK & QUILTED WALL

YOU
MATTER.



TODAY I WILL:



PATIENT ROOM



In summary

- ▶ This facility is not a jail, it is a mental health treatment center for individuals who are experiencing serious mental illness.
- ▶ People who will live in this facility are more likely to be victims of a crime than to have committed a crime.
- ▶ This is a health care facility, and it will enable people to receive treatment out of a hospital and close to their families and communities.
- ▶ The facility is designed with safety and security in mind.

Questions



Click on the link in the chat box.



Email: snohomishrtf@hca.wa.gov.



Visit [the proposed community-based treatment facility webpage](#).



Read [the fact sheet](#).

