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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SUN

RE: GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY: NEW PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY The Board of Mason County Commissioners is pleased to announce there will be a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, October 22, 2007 at 11:00am for the new Public Works Facility, which will be located on a forty-two acre parcel located on the Northwest corner of the intersection of State Route 101 and State Route 102.

Currently, Public Works has employees located in various sites throughout the county. The new facility will consolidate the Administrative Office, the Emergency Operations Center, and the Road, and vehicle maintenance Shop into a single location.

Helix Design Group of Tacoma, Washington prepared the engineering and architural design of the new facility and Rognlin's Incorporated of Aberdeen Washington are presently constructing the new facility, which is estimated to be complete and ready for occupancy this time next year.

Funding for the project is from a loan through the State Treasurer for \$15 million. It will be repaid from the road fund over a period of 20 years.

If you have any questions about the Ground Breaking Ceremony, please contact Public Works at (360) 427-9670, Ext. 450.

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