

WSDOT puts surplus lands up for public auction

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OLYMPIA - The Washington State Department of Transportation will auction its surplus property Tuesday, April 28. WSDOT is selling 18 parcels of land across the state varying in size from a small piece of land adjacent to a highway to larger view lots in Puget Sound.

The Washington State Legislature has asked WSDOT to review its inventory of unused land and sell what is no longer needed for highway purposes. Disposing of the property reduces WSDOT's liability and upkeep of the parcels, as well as generating revenues for the motor vehicle fund.

WSDOT has the ability to use the auction process to sell its surplus properties on the open market. This auction is the first of two WSDOT will conduct this year, with the potential for more within the next four years.

All bids, mailed or delivered in person, must be received at the Real Estate Services Office by 1:15 p.m. April 28, 2010. Bids received after the scheduled time and date will not be accepted or read.

WSDOT is hosting an open house for one of the residential properties that includes a single family home. WSDOT will host an open house for this property from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday April 18. The property is located at 3275 State Route 9 in Skagit County.

Those interested in learning more about the surplus properties and WSDOT's bidding procedures may visit our [Real Estate Auction web site](#). The site contains brief property descriptions including parcel size, current zoning classification, tax parcel numbers and the minimum bid.

Information about the land topography, landscaping, use restrictions and other features like existing utilities is also available on the site.