

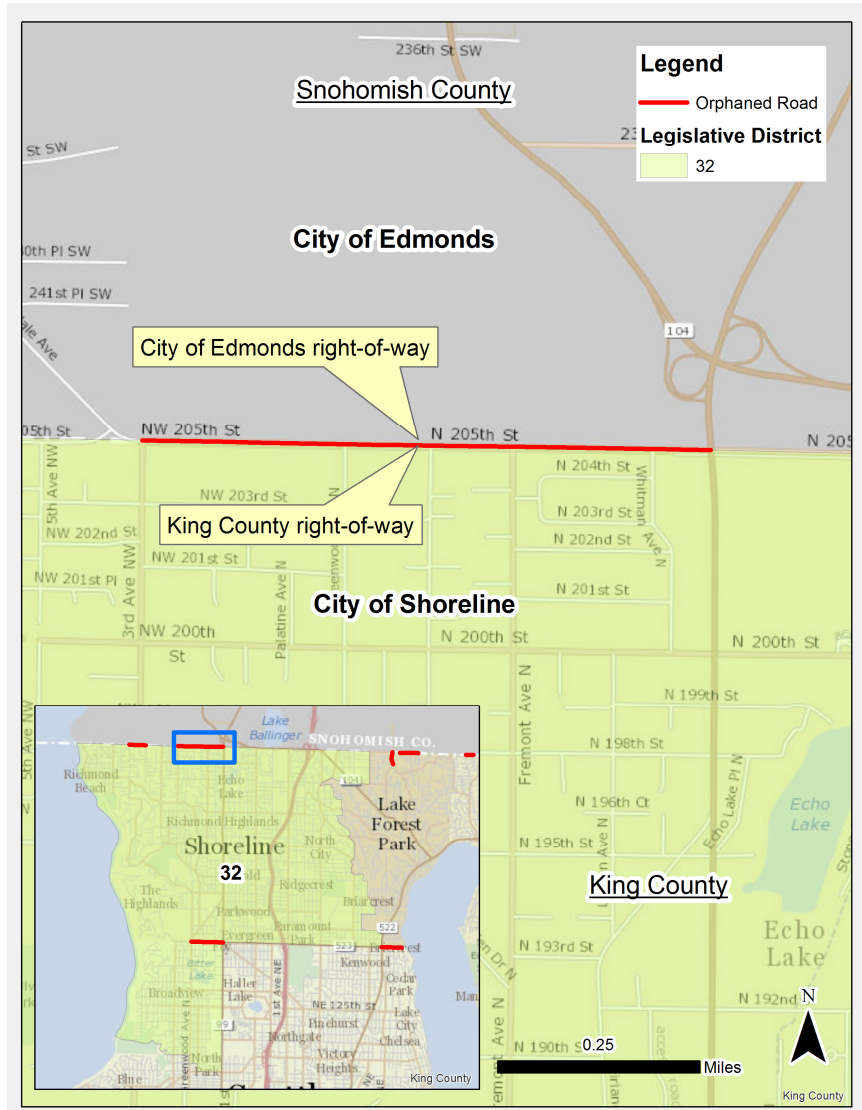
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Proposed state law amendments (RCW 35.21.790; 35A.21.210) would allow transfer of segments leftover from incomplete annexations by cities.

Orphaned roads are road rights-of-way that are half-streets, parts of roads completely surrounded by cities, and small segments of road located on or within the Urban Growth Boundary, but were not transferred from county responsibility to a city.

Why it is important to transfer orphaned road segments to cities?

- It is difficult for counties to maintain roads in urban areas. Ownership of some roads is along the center line. It is impractical to maintain only half a road, and there are liability issues with split streets.
- Sending crews extended travel distances into urban areas to provide service on small road segments is inefficient, and it is costly as it is time is not spent on critical corridors in the county's core service area.
- Important road maintenance may be delayed or deferred where there are multiple agencies with different priorities and funding cycles. Delayed maintenance may mean deteriorating road conditions and a shorter road life.



This orphaned road in the 32nd Legislative District, N 205th St, is maintained by King County but is surrounded by the city road networks of Shoreline and Edmonds.

The road network in the 32nd Legislative District is disrupted by three separate orphaned road segments

Road users deserve consistent and dependable maintenance that cannot occur with the existence of orphaned road segments.

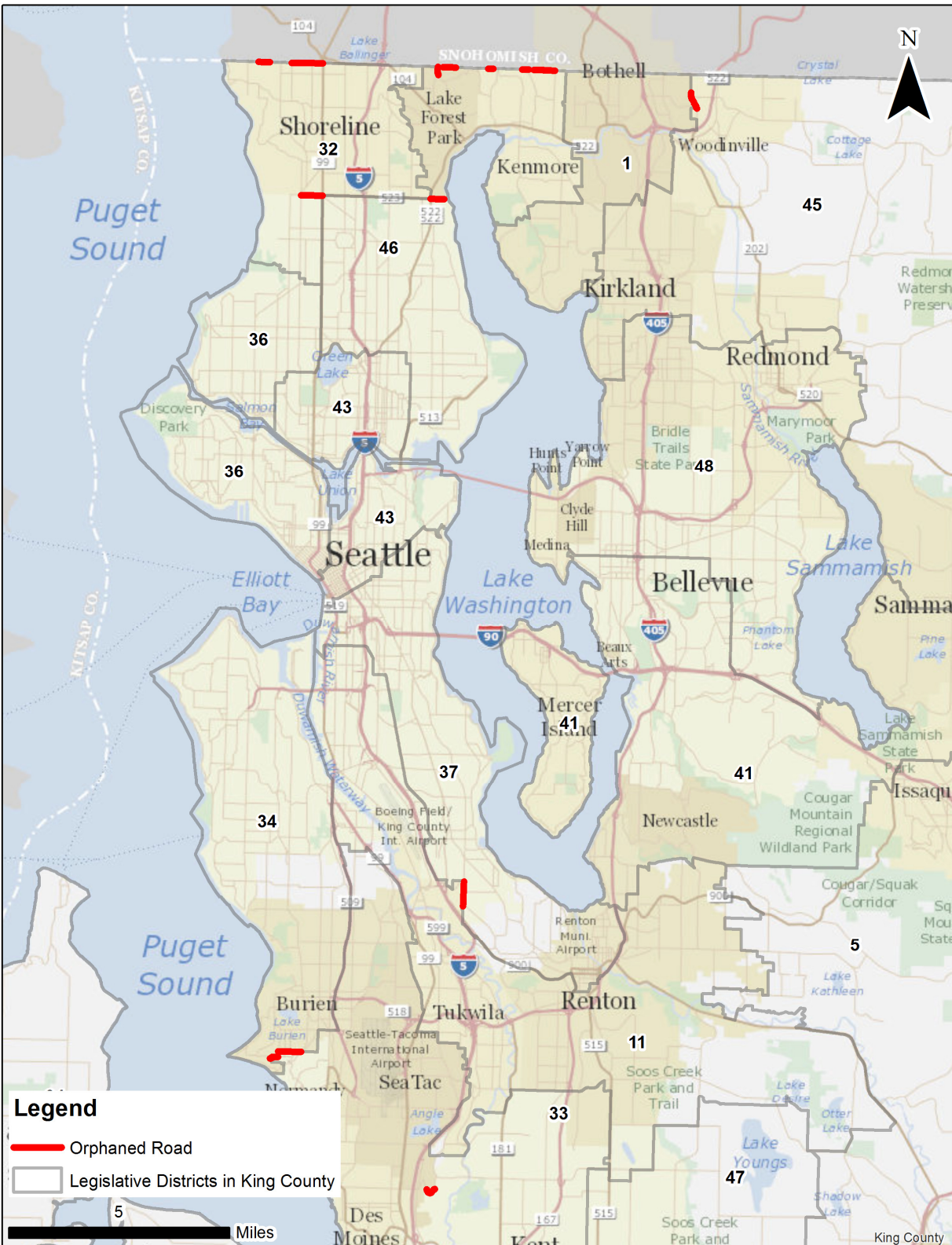
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Orphaned Roads

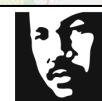
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In King County, there are over 60 road segments and 20+ miles (440 football fields) of orphaned roads. The 14 road segments identified on the map below are the orphaned roads that would be addressed by draft bill S-3551.2/16.



For more information:

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/transportation/roads/>



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