# Issaquah Highlands / Preston / Snoqualmie Ridge Area: 75

Area Information for Assessment Roll

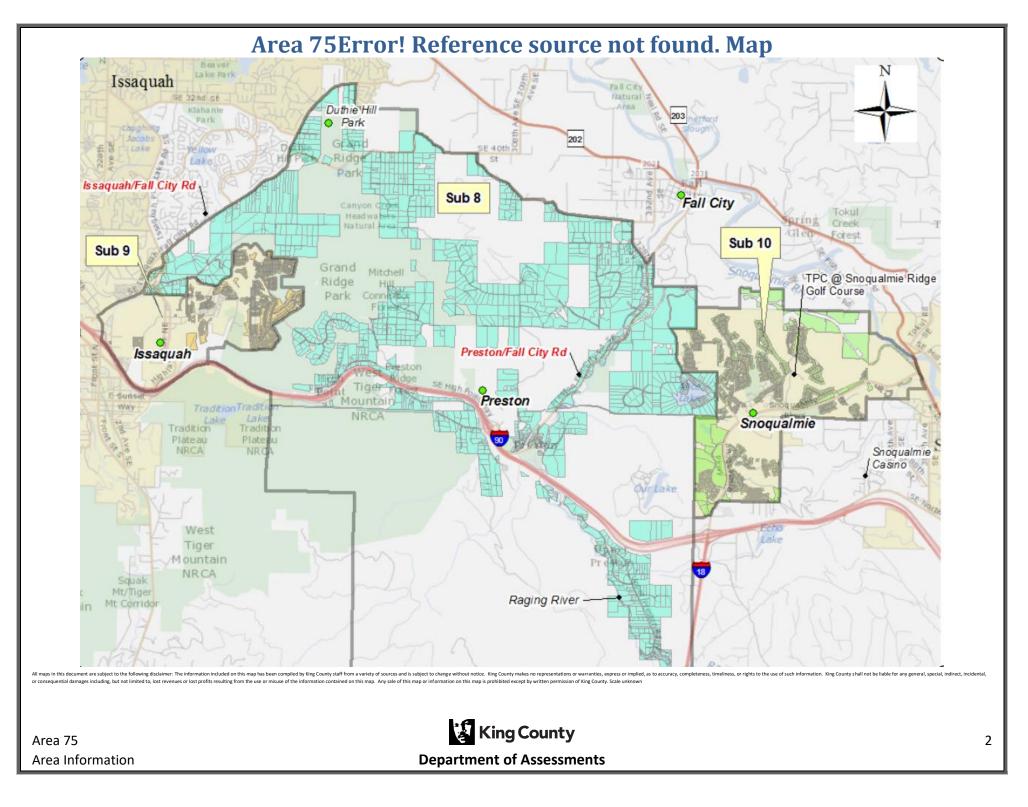




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### Area Information Area 75 - Issaquah Highlands / Preston / Snoqualmie Ridge

Area 75 is located just east of Lake Sammamish's southern portion, where it expands in the north and easterly directions along the I-90 corridor. Area access to freeways and major commercial centers varies from fair to good depending on proximity to I-90, with commute times to Bellevue typically approaching 30 minutes or more. Recreational access to rivers, lakes, and mountains is excellent for all properties, making this an ideal area for outdoor enthusiasts. This area includes three unique Sub Areas, each very distinct. Sub Area 8 is the largest, most diverse, and least developed of the Sub Areas. It is largely rural in character and includes the small town of Preston near I-90. It is located in the center portion of Area 75 between Sub-Area 9 and Sub-Area 10. Both Sub Areas 9 and 10 are large platted urban villages.

**Sub-Area 8** is the largest sub-area, extending over 6 miles from west to east and over 3 miles from north to south. It is typically very rural with large estates and acreage sites throughout and includes waterfront parcels on the Raging River and a small lake, Lake Alice. Housing is typically single-family, ranging from cabins to high-end luxury structures, including several manufactured homes. Individual prices range significantly based on the home's age, quality, style, and size, together with the land's location, environment, and size. Homes were built from 1900 to the present, with a quality of construction ranging from grade 1 to 13 and total living from approximately 760 to 8,500 square feet.

**Sub-Area 9** is located in the western portion of Area 75 in the City of Issaquah. This sub-area is commonly known as "Issaquah Highlands." It was developed as an urban-village concept "having a lifestyle of convenience" with mixed-use zoning, medium-density development, and good public transportation. It is pedestrian friendly with a network of sidewalks, developed trails for walking and biking, open spaces, parks, and shopping. Area development began with the platting and construction of mostly residential housing, which has been active through the present day. To attract buyers from various economic backgrounds, abundant opportunities for choices in quality, size, and type of housing are available—these range from apartments to condominiums, townhomes, and single-family residences. Adding value to many properties are views of the Olympics, surrounding territory, and Lake Sammamish. Homes were built from 1998 to the present, with one home built in 1910 included. Construction quality ranges from grade 7 to 12, with varying total living areas.

**Sub-Area 10** is located at the very eastern portion of Area 75 in the City of Snoqualmie. This sub-area is commonly known as "Snoqualmie Ridge." Though some commercial amenities are not as extensive as Issaquah Highlands, Snoqualmie Ridge is similar in age and was also developed as an urban-village concept. Housing types include apartments, condominiums, townhouses, and single-family residences. Some examples of the many fine amenities in this area are excellent Cascade Mountain and Snoqualmie Valley views. Another significant amenity is the highly rated Jack Nicklaus-designed "members only" TCP Snoqualmie Ridge Golf Course. Within Snoqualmie Ridge are community parks, trails, open spaces, and shopping. The commercial area was specifically planned to support the residences of this community, including a grocery store, restaurants, various shops, a library, and a school. Homes were built from 1998 to the present, with quality of construction ranging from grade 7 to 13 with varying total living areas. The sub-area is serviced with good public transportation and freeway access to I-90.



## **Area 75 Housing Profile**



Grade 5/1923/Total Living Area 920



Grade 6/ 1910/ Total Living Area 1,460



Grade 7/ 2005/Total Living Area 1,890



Grade 8/ 1998/Total Living Area 2,550



Grade 9/ 2008/ Total Living Area 2,250



Grade 10/2003/ Total Living Area 3,780

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Grade 11/2015/Total Living Area 4,420



Grade 12/2005/Total Living Area 5,370



Grade 13/ 1994/ Total Living Area 6,730



### **Glossary for Improved Sales**

#### **Condition: Relative to Age and Grade**

- 1= Poor Many repairs needed. Showing serious deterioration.
  2= Fair Some repairs needed immediately. Much deferred maintenance.
  3= Average Depending upon age of improvement: normal amount of upkeen
- 3= Average Depending upon age of improvement; normal amount of upkeep for the age of the home.
- 4= Good Condition above the norm for the age of the home. Indicates extra attention and care has been taken to maintain.
- 5= Very Good Excellent maintenance and updating on home. Not a total renovation.

#### **Residential Building Grades**

| Grades 1 - 3<br>Grade 4 | Falls short of minimum building standards. Normally cabin or inferior structure.<br>Generally older low quality construction. Does not meet code.                |
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| Grade 5                 | Lower construction costs and workmanship. Small, simple design.  |
| Grade 6                 | Lowest grade currently meeting building codes. Low quality materials, simple designs.  |
| Grade 7                 | Average grade of construction and design. Commonly seen in plats and older subdivisions.   |
| Grade 8                 | Just above average in construction and design. Usually better materials in both the exterior and interior finishes.  |
| Grade 9                 | Better architectural design, with extra exterior and interior design and quality.  |
| Grade 10                | Homes of this quality generally have high quality features. Finish work is better, and more design quality is seen in the floor plans and larger square footage. |
| Grade 11                | Custom design and higher quality finish work, with added amenities of solid woods, bathroom fixtures and more luxurious options.                                 |
| Grade 12                | Custom design and excellent builders. All materials are of the highest quality and all conveniences are present.   |
| Grade 13                | Generally custom designed and built. Approaching the Mansion level. Large amount of highest quality cabinet work, wood trim and marble; large entries.           |