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Park-and-ride lot construction started

Washington County has broken ground on a new Washington County Park & Ride in Endeavor Business Park in Richfield.

Washington County bought 5.74 acres of land in the Endeavor Investments park in 2008 because of its proximity to state highways. The business park, located on Highway 145, is directly off Highway 41 and just a half-mile from the onand off-ramps of Highway

The project will be substantially completed by Nov. 15. It is being funded by Washington County, a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program grant, and a Federal Transit Enhancement grant.

"I'm excited for the project because it will make it easier for Washington County residents to use our Commuter Express or rideshare with each other," said Jon Edgren, Washington County highway commissioner.

The project is replacing the current state park-andride lot at the former Highway View School, which holds about 80 vehicles. The new park-andride will hold up to 280 vehicles.