

Anaerobic manure digester to power 500 homes in Wash.

Sept. 22 -- A new anaerobic manure digester in Skagit County, Wash., is expected to produce enough electricity to meet the needs of 500 homes.

The digester project in Rexville is being developed by Farm Power, a renewable energy company that is providing the power through Puget Sound Energy's Green Power Program.

The digester is being dedicated on Monday, Sept. 28, according to Farm Power. The facility uses cow manure and other agricultural waste to produce energy. The process also reduces odors found in traditional manure handling, the company said. Along with creating electricity, the digester also creates fertilizer.

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