

A day after Wash. landslide, examinations continue

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Geologist Terry Swanson from the University of Washington surveys the damage from a landslide on Whidbey Island near Coupeville, Wash. on Wednesday, March 27, 2013. The slide severely damaged one home and isolated or threatened more than 30 on the island, about 50 miles north of Seattle in Puget Sound. No one was reported injured in the slide, which happened at about 4 a.m. Wednesday. (AP Photo/The Seattle Times, Mike Siegel)

Authorities are assessing the damage and danger from a massive landslide on a scenic Washington state island as nervous residents wait for more detailed information about how safe the area is.

One home was heavily damaged and 33 others were ordered evacuated after the landslide early Wednesday on Whidbey Island, about 50 miles north of [Seattle](#).



A blue workshop that was in a backyard on the top of the hill before it slid down to its current location rests halfway down the bank on Whidbey Island, Wednesday, March 27, 2013 near Coupeville, Wash. A landslide severely damaged one home and isolated or threatened more than 30 on the island, about 50 miles north of Seattle in Puget Sound. No one was reported injured in the slide, which happened at about 4 a.m. Wednesday. (AP Photo/The Seattle Times, Mike Siegel)

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On Thursday, road closed signs were being posted to prevent access to some areas as [geologists](#) continued to examine the scene.



In this aerial photo, a house sits near the edge of a landslide, near Coupeville, Wash. on Whidbey Island, Wednesday, March 27, 2013. The slide severely damaged one home and isolated or threatened more than 30 on the island, about 50 miles north of Seattle in Puget Sound. No one was reported injured in the slide, which happened at about 4 a.m. Wednesday. (AP Photo/Ted S. Warren)

Terry Swanson, a geologist at the University of Washington, says more detailed studies are needed.

Pete Kenny was on vacation on the island, to help move his grandmother. He says crews are going house-to-house determining which ones must stay vacant.



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