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Memorandum

To:

The Honorable Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive and

The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through:

Jon Hutchings, Director

From:

Joseph P. Rutan, P.E., County Engineer/Assistant Director

Date:

May 3, 2019

Re:

Ordinance Establishing a Speed Limit for several roads in the Northwest

Drive area.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council adopt the proposed ordinance to establish a speed limit of 25 MPH for all roads within the Plat of Country Haven, Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 2 East, W.M., and for Clarkson Lane, over its entire length, Section 10, Township 39 North, Range 2 East, W.M.

Background and Purpose

Whatcom County Public Work received a petition from local residents to establish a speed limit of 25 MPH on Clarkson Lane and determined that given the residential nature of the area, and in keeping with the similitude of other dead end, local access roads in the area, the speed limit should be established. While reviewing the Clarkson Lane petition, staff also reviewed the speed limits on all local access roads in the vicinity of Northwest Drive from West Smith Road to West Wiser Lake Road and found that roads within the Plat of Country Haven, while signed as 25 MPH, have no ordinance codifying the speed limit. After review, it was determined that the speed limit should be established.

Information

This ordinance is necessary to comply with RCW 46.61.415.

Please contact Joe Rutan at extension 6219 with any questions regarding this ordinance.