

Name: **Surface Mining Advisory Committee**

Membership: 11 Members

Purpose: The committee advises the Whatcom County Planning and Development Services Department and the Whatcom County Council on implementing a surface mining regulatory program consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Enabling Statute(s): WCC 2.120. Established by Ordinances No. 2000-017, 2016-070, and 2019-034

Term Information: 4 years, two term limit, one year separation required. However, If a committee member has completed two consecutive full terms, if a position on the committee remains unfilled for one month, the County Council shall have the right to waive the one year period of separation.

Meeting Information: Meets as needed.

Position #	Name	Term Information
civil or geo-technical engineer with no direct or indirect financial business ties to the industry	VACANT	Term ends 2025 or 2027
surface mining material user	Ryan Devries	1 st term as member of the surface mining industry ended 1/31/2023 2 nd term ends 1/31/2027
Geologist	VACANT	Term ends 2025 or 2027
citizen who lives in close proximity to active mining or mineral overlay areas	Candice Leonard	1 st term ends 1/31/2025
member of the surface mining industry	Brent Cowden	1 st term ends 1/31/2023 2 nd ends 1/31/2027
member of the surface mining industry	Brad Davis	1 st term as Surface mining material user ended 1/31/2023 2 nd term ends 1/31/2025 (2-year term due to staggering end terms of everyone appointed in early 2023.)
Forestry	VACANT	Term ends 2025 or 2027
potable domestic groundwater supply (pref. public water system representative or private well owner)	Kathleen Greenbaum	1 st term ends 1/31/2027
Ecologist	VACANT	Term ends 2025 or 2027
Environmental consultant	VACANT	Term ends 2025 or 2027
Agriculture	VACANT	Term ends 2025 or 2027