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Memorandum

TO: Honorable County Councilmembers
Honorable Executive Louws

THROUGH: Mark Personius, Assistant Director, Whatcom County PDS *mp*

FROM: Chris Elder, Planner *CE*

DATE: 10/23/2017

SUBJECT: REACTIVATION OF THE WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Whatcom County Wildlife Advisory Committee presented the 2017 Ecosystem Report to the Natural Resources Committee of the Council on Sept. 12, 2017. One of the recommendations within the 2017 Ecosystem Report was to *extend the duration of the Wildlife Advisory Committee*. During discussion at the Natural Resource Committee, councilmembers expressed their interest to reactivate the Wildlife Advisory Committee and have committee members, as one of their first tasks, reassess the full list of recommendations identified in the Ecosystem Report and come back to Council with a more strategic or targeted list including any specific financial requests associated with that list.

Respectfully, members of the Wildlife Advisory Committee request County Council reactivate the Wildlife Advisory Committee, so that the committee may continue working on wildlife related issues and opportunities in Whatcom County.