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Memorandum

To: The Honorable Satpal Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive and
The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director *JH*

From: James P. Karcher, P.E., County Engineer *gpk*

Date: March 11, 2021

Re: **Ordinance for Establishing a Speed Limit on Northshore Road**

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council adopt the proposed ordinance to establish a speed limit of 30 MPH for Northshore Road from the intersection with Northshore Road to the easterly side of Smith Creek.

Background and Purpose

The Whatcom County Sheriff's Office has requested that this speed limit be established and the County Engineer has agreed that it is necessary to formally establish speed limits within this area in order to be consistent throughout this corridor. Additionally, the Lake Whatcom Park continues to draw many visitors to the area and Public Works has received multiple complaints about speeding traffic in the area.

Information

This ordinance will allow for the installation of speed limit signs and is necessary to comply with RCW 46.61.415 to establish speed limits on certain County roads.

Please contact Douglas Ranney II, P.E., Engineering Services Manager at extension 6255 with any questions regarding this ordinance.