

From: [Jeff Hegedus](#)
To: [Dana Brown-Davis](#)
Cc: [Todd Donovan](#); [Barry Buchanan](#); [John Wolpers](#)
Subject: RE: Info from UTC - AB2020-486
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 1:54:04 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Hi Dana, yes and thank you. There are actually two issues that I am working on as follow-up to our last PW&H Committee meeting. One issue is the minimum level of service, as expressed below, and the other is the solid waste excise tax.

Regarding the minimum level of service, I am working with both the UTC and Cando to identify the issues of attempting to implement a minimum level of service of once per month vs. twice per month, and what a UTC approved rate for such a service might be. Since the UTC would have to go through a formal tariff revision process to establish a rate for once per month service, which they just went through to reduce the current rate, they can right now really only provide an estimate. During our initial public process several years ago, their estimate was '\$3-4' less per month than the twice per month cost, which is now at \$16.52. I will continue to attempt to refine this for committee consideration.

Also, as requested by the UTC, and in conjunction with the Treasurer, I am working with Cando to attempt to reconcile the 2019 solid waste excise tax question. Cando is working hard to provide information, and the current estimate is that taxes collected exceeded taxes remitted, for the whole year, by \$0.44 for each of the 1,910 households subject to the twice per month service level requirement. I will continue to work with Cando to refine this calculation, and report out following final UTC and Treasurer review.

So, we are on it, as requested, but need a little bit of time still. Please feel free to call if there are any questions. Thanks, have a great day, Jeff.

Jeff Hegedus, RS, MS, MBA
Environmental Health Supervisor

Whatcom County Health Department
509 Girard Street, Bellingham, WA 98225
Office: (360) 778-6000 | Direct: (360) 778-6044
Mobile: (360)296-6380
jhegedus@co.whatcom.wa.us
www.whatcomcounty.us/health
www.facebook.com/WhatcomCountyHealth

My incoming and outgoing email communication is subject to public disclosure laws.

From: Dana Brown-Davis
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:43 PM
To: Jeff Hegedus
Cc: Todd Donovan; Barry Buchanan
Subject: Info from UTC - AB2020-486

Hello, Jeff:

Regarding AB2020-486: Discussion of proposed ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 8.10, Solid Waste and Residential Recycling Collection, regarding solid waste collection in Point Roberts, WA

I just went back and listened to Todd's motion from last Tuesday and the above item was moved and approved to "hold and try to get some information from the UTC on what the rates would look like if there was a two can default and a one can option and go back to the community and see how that looks".

Is this something you will be looking into for the Council/County? Please advise.

Thank you.

Dana