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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:

January 11, 2019

Re:

Ordinance Regarding Temporary Re-Opening of Cottonwood Drive at

Morgan Drive to Vehicular Traffic, until the repair work is completed on

Birch Bay Drive.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council adopt the proposed ordinance to reopen Cottonwood Drive at Morgan Drive to northeast bound Vehicular Traffic, until the road repairs for erosion of Birch Bay Drive are completed.

Background and Purpose

Due to recent storms, there was severe erosion to portions of Birch Bay Drive, and for the safety of residents living within the erosion area of Birch Bay Drive and those residents who live on Cottonwood Drive and Cottonwood Court, who's only egress is via Birch Bay Drive, Cottonwood Drive was temporarily re-opened to northeast bound traffic at Morgan Drive. The expected repair time is currently unknown. Upon the completion of the repair work, Cottonwood Drive at Morgan Drive will be closed as provided in Ordinance No. 2001-043.

Information

This ordinance will allow for the temporary re-opening of Cottonwood Drive at Morgan Drive pursuant to RCW 36.32.120.

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