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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive and

Honorable Members of the County Council

Through: Elizabeth Kosa, Director Cak

From: Doug Ranney, P.E., County Engineer DWR

Date: September 24, 2025

Re: 2026 Annual Road Program

Requested Action:

Introduction on October 7, 2025, followed by a Public Hearing and adoption on October 21, 2025.

Background and Purpose:

RCW 36.81.130 requires the adoption of the 2026 Annual Road Program (ARP). Adoption of this program is an element of the County budget process. The ARP consists of an Annual Construction Program (ACP) and cost thereof, an annual maintenance plan and cost thereof, and a road equipment purchases and major repairs plan and cost thereof.

The 2026 ACP is identical to the 1st year of the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (2026-2031), which is on a concurrent approval timeline with the ARP with Introduction on October 7, 2025, followed by a Public Hearing and adoption on October 21, 2025.

Information:

A proposed resolution is enclosed for your consideration. In addition, each project on the ACP that has funding available in 2026 has a project summary sheet for your information.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact me at extension 6255.