



MEMORANDUM

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

Through: Elizabeth Kosa, Director *EaK*

From: Roland Middleton, L.E.G., Special Programs Manager *RM*

Date: May 13, 2026

RE: Ferry District Advisory Committee

Requested Action

Requesting the County Council acting as the Board of Supervisors for the Ferry District to designate the existing Whatcom County Ferry Advisory Committee as the Ferry Advisory Committee for the Ferry District.

Background and Purpose

Engrossed House Bill 2588/RCW 36.54 states, "If a county transitioning from a county-owned ferry system to a county ferry district has an existing, locally established ferry advisory committee, the governing body of the ferry district shall designate the existing committee to fulfill the requirements of this section."

Future amendments to WCC 2.145 (Whatcom County Ferry Advisory Committee) are necessary to ensure full representation on the WCFAC for the new county-wide district. Discussion of future amendments are planned this summer during one of the special work sessions.

Please contact Roland Middleton, at extension 6212, or Elizabeth Kosa, at extension 6282, if you have any questions or concerns regarding this item.