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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

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

Date: December 20, 2021

Re: Ordinance for the Legal Establishment of a Speed Limit for a Portion of

Nulle Road

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council adopt the proposed ordinance to for a 30 mph speed limit on Nulle Road from Summerland Road to East Lake Samish Road.

Background and Purpose

During a review of speed limits it was discovered that Nulle Road is currently posted at 30 mph from Summerland Road to East Lake Samish Road, but there is no ordinance legally establishing this and Ordinance 1987-027 established this speed limit as 40 mph. Public Works feels 30 mph is an appropriate speed limit for this section of road, but will leave the 40 mph speed limit in place for Nulle Road from East Lake Samish to Pacific Highway.

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.