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To Whatcom County Council:

This letter is being written on behalf of all the residents of Freeman Beach, Point Roberts regarding the mandated curbside collection of garbage. You have received individual letters from some of our property owners throughout the year indicating that they do not want or require curbside collection, or that they do not require the current frequency of garbage pickups.

There are 53 households being represented in this letter. Of the 53 households, there are only three owned by Americans, and the remaining are owned by Canadians. No one lives in the Freeman Beach neighborhood full-time or all-year round. Most of the Canadians have been coming to Point Roberts on vacations and weekends to spend time at their family's cottage for many, many years.

With the old solid waste system we had a choice of taking our garbage, recycling and garden waste to the transfer station when necessary, or purchasing tags to affix to our cans when they needed to be picked up. This worked very well for our residents. Unlike most of Whatcom County, Point Roberts' residents were not given any options as to how and when their garbage would be dealt with, despite continued objections to the mandatory collection "fee" being charged on their taxes.

Freeman Beach Property Owners' Association (FBPOA) strongly request the Council to reduce the level of service, because we are not using anywhere close to the level of service that has been mandated.

Yours sincerely,

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