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MEMORANDUM

To: Whatcom County Council Public Works & Health Committee

Through: Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director *JH*

From: James P. Karcher, PE, County Engineer *JPK*
Doug Ranney, PE, Engineering Manager *JPK PR DR*

Date: July 27, 2021

Re: Request for temporarily closure of a portion of Gulf Road

Public Works was recently contacted by Pacific International Holdings, LLC ("PIH") with a request to temporarily close a portion of Gulf Road. Public Works often assists community stakeholders with facilitation of solutions and brings this request to the Committee for discussion.

The current request from PIH consists of constructing a gate across Gulf Road near the intersection with Henry Road for the purpose of resolving health, safety and security issues.

Skip Sahlin with PIH requests the opportunity to address Council during this discussion session. He has submitted a formal request package, a letter supporting that request from Cherry Point Industries, LLC & Cherry Point Industrial Park Ltd which are included as attachments to this memo.

Public Works requests a discussion with the Committee for feedback and guidance on how to proceed with this matter.

Please contact Doug Ranney at x6255 with any questions you may have.