



# Whatcom County

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## Legislation Text

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**TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Code and Comprehensive Plan, requiring a site-specific geotechnical analysis when mineral extraction is proposed within 500 feet of a gas or petroleum transmission pipeline

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:**

A zoning code amendment and comprehensive plan text amendment requiring a site-specific geotechnical analysis when mineral resource extraction is proposed within 500 feet of a gas or petroleum transmission pipeline, in response to a Council directive to determine the minimum safe distance between surface mining and pipelines to ensure pipeline integrity during seismic events. Final approval of these amendments would occur as part of concurrent review of comprehensive plan amendments from 2021.