

**WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL**

NO. AB2008-260A

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator: Kraig Olason	KO	7/1/08	<p>RECEIVED</p> <p>JUL 01 2008</p> <p>WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL</p>	7/8/08	Natural Resource Committee /Council
Division Head: K. Christensen	KO <sup>KNC</sup>	7/1/08		7/22/08	Hearing
Dept. Head: F. Abart	<i>[Signature]</i>	7/1/08			
Prosecutor: D. Gibson	DG	07/01/08			
Purchasing/Budget: B. Bennett					
Executive: P. Kremen					

**TITLE OF DOCUMENT:**  
 RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BOTH THE UNIT RATES AND THE EQUIVALENT SERVICE UNIT VALUE USED TO CALCULATE SERVICE CHARGES IN SUPPORT OF THE BIRCH BAY WATERSHED AND AQUATIC RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

- ATTACHMENTS:**
- Memo
  - Proposed Resolution
  - Draft Funding Plan

SEPA review required? ( ) Yes ( X ) NO SEPA review completed? ( ) Yes ( ) NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? ( x ) Yes ( ) NO Requested Date:
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**SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:** (If this item is an resolution or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

*This proposed resolution establishes unit rates and establishes the equivalent unit used to calculate service charges for the Birch Bay Watershed and Aquatic Resources Management District. This is a companion resolution to the Funding Resolution which authorizes charges for implementing the BBWARM stormwater program.*

<p><b>COMMITTEE ACTION:</b>                  7/8/2008: Forwarded to Council for approval</p>	<p><b>COUNCIL ACTION:</b>                  7/08/2008: Introduced substitute version                  7/22/2008: Council Approved 6-1 Crawford opposed Res. 2008-050</p>
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Related County Contract #:	Related File Numbers:	Ordinance or Resolution Number: 2007-019 & 200 Res. 2008-050
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**SPONSORED BY:** Consent

**PROPOSED BY:** PUBLIC WORKS-Stormwater

**INTRODUCTION DATE:** July 8, 2008

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008-050**

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WHEREAS, on March 13, 2007, the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 2007-019 which created the Birch Bay Watershed and Aquatic Resources Management District Funding Mechanism pursuant to RCW 86.15; and,

WHEREAS, RCW 86.15.160 (4) authorizes a charge for the furnishing of service to those who are receiving or will receive benefits from storm water control facilities and programs and who are contributing to an increase in surface water runoff; and,

WHEREAS, annual revenue is needed to implement the program as defined in the Birch Bay Comprehensive Stormwater Plan; and,

WHEREAS, implementation of the Birch Bay Comprehensive Stormwater Plan is needed to solve many of the current stormwater management problems in the Birch Bay Watershed; and,

WHEREAS, a study was performed to determine the unit rates and equivalent service unit value needed to provide revenue sufficient to support the implementation of the Birch Bay Comprehensive Stormwater Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the value of one equivalent service unit for the Birch Bay Watershed and Aquatic Resource Management District is hereby established to be 4,000 square feet of impervious surface area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following monthly unit rates are hereby established for the Birch Bay Watershed Aquatic Resource Management District:

Density Range	Unit Rate
Low	\$5.02
Medium	\$6.26
High	\$8.72


APPROVED this 22nd day of July, 2008.



WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD  
CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS,  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Carl Weimer, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Daniel L. Gibson, Assistant Chief  
Civil Deputy Prosecutor