



## Press Release

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### Planned Service Outage for the Lummi Island Ferry

The dry dock bids were opened at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, 2010. Necessary contractor verifications and review were completed late Tuesday. The apparent low bidder is Dakota Creek Shipyard of Anacortes. Final contract documents are being executed.

The Whatcom Chief will be on its regular schedule and operating as a vehicle ferry until late evening Sunday, July 18, 2010. This planned service outage is necessary to make modifications to the docks and to set the floats for the contracted passenger-only ferry.

Accordingly, starting on Sunday, July 18, 2010 at 10:20 p.m. the Whatcom Chief will not be in service. The last evening run from the Gooseberry Point side will be 10:10 p.m. and the last evening run from the Lummi Island side will be 10:00 p.m. A contracted passenger-only ferry will begin service at 6:00 a.m. Monday morning, July 19, 2010.

It is anticipated the Whatcom Chief will return from dry dock on Saturday, August 7, 2010.

A more detailed press release regarding the annual dry dock activities will be released later today. The Department will be updating the websites today as well.

The Public Works Department would like to thank everyone in advance for their cooperation and patience during this dry dock activity.

Any questions or concerns may be directed to Mr. Frank Abart, Public Works Director, at (360) 676-6692.

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