



**WHATCOM COUNTY
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2012-02**

**POSTING OF GATEWAY PACIFIC TERMINAL
PUBLIC RECORDS TO DESIGNATED WEBSITE**

WHEREAS, Whatcom County adheres to the Public Records Act as defined in RCW 42.56; and

WHEREAS, Public records are defined as any writing which contains information relating to the conduct of government or the performance of any governmental or proprietary function of the County Executive and determined to be of public record; and

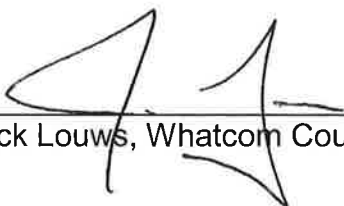
WHEREAS, the County Executive would like to make available in an accessible, open and transparent manner all public records related to the Gateway Pacific Terminal Project that are releasable under the act, adhering to the contract obligations as described in the MOU between Whatcom County, Department of Ecology, and the Corp of Engineers. Such records will be made available to the public via a designated website; and

WHEREAS, the designated County website for viewing public records related to the Gateway Pacific Terminal project is located at the following website address:
<http://www.whatcomcounty.us/pds/plan/current/gpt-ssa/index.jsp>.

WHEREAS, public records related to the Gateway Pacific Terminal project will be posted in a consistent and timely manner to the designated website available for public access; and

NOW, THEREFORE, By virtue of the power vested in me by the Whatcom County Home Rule Charter, I hereby declare that Whatcom County documents releasable under the public records act, pertaining to the Gateway Pacific Terminal project will be posted to the aforementioned designated website in a consistent and timely manner.

DATED this 24th day of July, 2012.



Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive