



Joint Proclamation

WHEREAS, water is a basic need and essential to the economic, environmental and cultural well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, protection and preservation of this irreplaceable resource for future generations depends upon the ongoing and active involvement of businesses, governments, volunteer organizations and individual citizens; and

WHEREAS, many citizens and organizations work hard to improve the condition of Whatcom County's water resources and those efforts inspire and guide others; and

WHEREAS, those efforts should be emphasized and celebrated as our community prepares to face and overcome new challenges in water protection and management; and

WHEREAS, Whatcom Water Weeks provides such an opportunity.

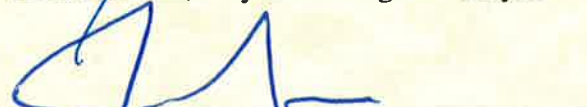
NOW, THEREFORE DO WE, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, Jack Louws, County Executive for Whatcom County, and Timothy Ballew II, Chairman of the Lummi Indian Business Council do hereby proclaim the weeks of September 7-22 as:

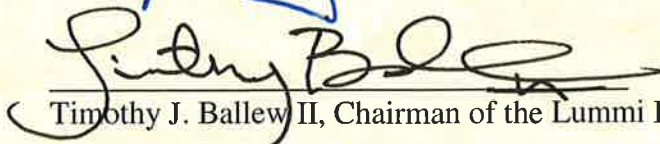
WHATCOM WATER WEEKS

And urge all citizens of Whatcom County to recognize the importance of our water resources and participate in Water Weeks events this year and in years to come.

Signed this 6th day of September, 2013.


Kelli Linville, City of Bellingham Mayor


Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive


Timothy J. Ballew II, Chairman of the Lummi Indian Business Council

