

Emails pertaining to  
Gateway Pacific Project  
For January 2015

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**From:** Council  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 15, 2015 8:04 AM  
**To:** GPT\_archive  
**Subject:** FW: Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Dale Boe

**From:** [site@supportgpt.com](mailto:site@supportgpt.com) [<mailto:Site@SupportGPT.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 14, 2015 6:16 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Dale Boe

This is a **Support Gateway Pacific Terminal!** letter from Dale Boe.

Dear County Council:

I write to urge you to support SSA Marine's proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal at Cherry Point. Our County and this region desperately need this infusion of high quality family wage jobs that this full service bulk commodity export-import terminal will generate.

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I urge you to stay strong and fair during this time of review and consideration of the Gateway Pacific Terminal project. I am confident that the process set forth by the County, the State and the Federal governments will safeguard the community while helping to deliver much needed jobs to the region. Please remember, our community needs strong leaders like you who know that we can protect the environment without sacrificing good jobs and economic development that our community needs today.

Sincerely,

Dale Boe

3443 pinehurst ct

Bellingham wa. 98226

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**From:** Council  
**Sent:** Friday, January 16, 2015 9:53 AM  
**To:** GPT\_archive  
**Subject:** FW: Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Carl Dietrich

**From:** [site@supportgpt.com](mailto:site@supportgpt.com) [<mailto:Site@SupportGPT.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 16, 2015 9:50 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Carl Dietrich

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Dear County Council:

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Sincerely,

Carl Dietrich

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Ferndale

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**From:** Council  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 20, 2015 8:13 AM  
**To:** GPT\_archive  
**Subject:** FW: Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Kim walker

**From:** [site@supportgpt.com](mailto:site@supportgpt.com) [<mailto:Site@SupportGPT.com>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 18, 2015 8:06 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Kim walker

This is a **Support Gateway Pacific Terminal!** letter from Kim walker.

Dear County Council:

I write to urge you to support SSA Marine's proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal at Cherry Point. Our County and this region desperately need this infusion of high quality family wage jobs that this full service bulk commodity export-import terminal will generate.

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Sincerely,

Kim walker

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**From:** Council  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 27, 2015 8:31 AM  
**To:** GPT\_archive  
**Subject:** FW: Whatcom County Planning Commission appointments

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**From:** Sandra Robson [mailto:sjrer2@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 27, 2015 12:10 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Whatcom County Planning Commission appointments

Dear County Council members:

I have been looking forward to the completion of David Onkels' term on the Planning Commission, so I am disappointed to learn he has applied for another possible term on the Planning Commission because I feel he has shown a lack of real concern for the environment.

I am heartened to see that some others have applied for the Planning Commission. I urge the County Council to see the importance of choosing someone with more concern toward protecting the environment, as well as having a more cooperative attitude.

After my comment here, I have copied and pasted some comments from current Planning Commission member Dave Onkels. The comments are from Carl Weimer's Carl Votes blog post on July 28, 2011, when Mr. Weimer had alerted the public to land clearing at Cherry Point.

On July 22, 2011, Whatcom County ordered SSA Marine to halt its work at Cherry Point. The WA State Dept. of Ecology in its September 23, 2011 letter to SSA/PIT, said the work done was in violation of state law. The DOE also said in the letter: "It will take many years, if not decades for the forest and shrub wetlands to re-establish into a multi-storied canopy and function as they did prior to the clearing activity."

In his comments on Carl Weimer's July 2011 blog post, Mr. Onkels tried multiple times to argue that the area cleared was not a wetlands area; describing one of Weimer's posted photos as a "puddle" photo. Certainly, the DOE in its [September 23](#) letter I referenced above, considered there to be wetlands there. Mr. Onkels did not appear to have concern for the environmental damage done evidenced in the photos, instead his comments seemed to minimize the actions and the resulting damage from those actions by SSA.

Mr. Onkels often comments online on blogs, Herald articles, etc. Many of those comments illustrate his insensitivity to even a reasonable level of environmental protection, and those comments show his antagonistic attitude toward people he disagrees with.

He is, as an individual, entitled to have his own opinion on environmental protection, and is entitled to speak to people in the style he wishes to, but I don't think his ideas of environmental protection represent the level of protection that is truly needed in Whatcom County, and I don't think his communication style is positive for what would ensure the best success for our county's Planning Commission.

I think it's important that in selecting someone to serve on the Planning Commission that they possess at least a modicum of cooperative attitude. From simply reading a number of comments made by Mr. Onkels, there does not seem to be a spirit of cooperation or flexibility with those he disagrees with.

At the bottom of this email, I have copied and pasted some of the comments made by Mr. Onkels on Carl Weimer's blog post back in July 2011.

I ask that you select and appoint someone to the Planning Commission who has higher environmental protection standards than Dave Onkels.

Thank you.

Regards,  
Sandy Robson  
Birch Bay, WA

Dave Onkels' posts he made on Carl Weiner's blog are shown below:

**David Onkels** [July 29, 2011 at 4:08 PM](#)

If permits are required to perform this sort of investigatory work, I can't imagine why SSA wouldn't have obtained them.

I am a little troubled by your repeated use of the term "wetland", a term that has specific definitions (more than one in WCC, by the way) to refer to the property. It is entirely possible, even probable, that no wetland hydrology exists on that site.

If no wetland study has been performed, I think you should edit your post to eliminate the term.

Dave Onkels

Dave Onkel's comment to Carl Weimer:

**Dave Onkels** [July 29, 2011 at 6:51 PM](#)

You're the guy making the assertion, and you want me to look for maps?

I assert that there is new guidance governing wetland delineations, and, in very likely, the site includes no wetlands.

As I wrote, the term "wetland" has specific legal definitions, and you can't demonstrate that wetlands have been disturbed on the site.

Mr. Onkels comment to Carl Weimer:  
**David Onkels**[July 29, 2011 at 9:23 PM](#)

I do notice that you've added a "puddle" photo.  
My original post was limited to your use of the term "wetland" in a context in which I thought it might be inappropriate.

I know there are puddles this year, but I assume you know the difference between puddles and wetlands.

I just think your language was injudicious.

We'll see where this goes.

David Onkels' comment to Jean Melious:  
**David Onkels**[July 29, 2011 at 9:52 PM](#)

Ms Melious,  
My original comment was limited to Mr. Weimer's use of the term "Wetlands."

Nothing more.

Since you want to go there, I wouldn't be surprised if wetland studies using best available science result in substantially reduced delineated wetlands using that best science and the currently mandated guidance with the latest Army Corps of Engineers and NRCS (NCTHS) manuals.

Wetlands cannot be destroyed if they never existed.

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**From:** Council  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2015 8:17 AM  
**To:** GPT\_archive  
**Subject:** FW: Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Mark Konikoff

**From:** site@supportgpt.com [mailto:Site@SupportGPT.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2015 7:28 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Support Gateway Terminal - A Letter From Mark Konikoff

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Dear County Council:

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Sincerely,

Mark Konikoff

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**From:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 06, 2015 9:51 AM  
**To:** David Stalheim; Jack Louws  
**Subject:** RE: GPT Progress on EIS

David,

Thanks for the email on the public correspondence on the County's website associated with the GPT proposal. Below I have tried to address your questions;

- 1) The email correspondence has been updated through the end of the 2014 year. These emails will be available on the website by early next week. We will strive to update this correspondence section on a monthly basis.
- 2) Indexing the correspondence page is a good idea. We have done the best we can with scanning the emails into a PDF and attaching the emails to the website. We are currently working on updating the County's website, in whole, and this will likely give us a greater ability to index some of these documents. I am unsure on the exact mechanics of the new website but PDS is going to work on making the correspondence page more accessible with the new website. The new website is currently scheduled to "go live" the end of the first quarter of this year.
- 3) In regards to all correspondence to the consultants, applicants and DOE on the page, the County is working within the existing Memorandum of Understanding with the Co-Lead Agency as to what information is proactively released on the County's website. The County worked very hard in getting the agreement with the Co-Leads, especially the Corps, to proactively release the amount of information that has been done so far. Please see the MOU at the following link, <http://www.whatcomcounty.us/pds/plan/current/gpt-ssa/pdf/20130918FinalsignedGPTMOUAMENDMENT.pdf> , and the pertinent section is VII. Treatment of Documents.
- 4) The County has been working with the CO-Lead agencies on providing a formal update to the public on the status of the EIS. I anticipate that this will happen within the month. The updated timeline is on the Department of Ecology's website, and is linked on the County's page (<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/geographic/gateway/pacific/>). Timeline is below;
  - *2014-2015 – Prepare draft environmental impact statements (EISs): The contractor, under the direction of the co-lead agencies, is preparing the draft NEPA and SEPA EISs according to the results of the scoping process. The purpose of an EIS is to provide the public and agency decision makers with information on likely adverse effects of a proposed project, as well as reasonable alternatives and measures to reduce those effects.*
  - *First half of 2016 – Issue draft EISs, open public comment period, have public hearings: The draft EISs will be circulated so that the public and other agencies are given an opportunity to comment on their accuracy and content before they are finalized. This process will include public hearings. The co-lead agencies will consider and respond to public comments in the final EISs.*
  - *2017 – Issue final environmental impact statements: The final EISs will include responses to the comments made on the draft EISs.*

Thanks,

Tyler R. Schroeder

Whatcom County Executive Office's Project Manager



Whatcom County Executive's Office

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**From:** David Stalheim [<mailto:stalheim@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 04, 2015 1:09 PM  
**To:** Jack Louws; Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** GPT Progress on EIS

Jack and Tyler,

I'm very disappointed to see that the public cannot access any correspondence regarding the GPT proposal since last May. <http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us/pds/plan/current/gpt-ssa/comment.jsp> That is seven months of conversations that have not been publicly posted. Can you please do fourthings:

- 1) Update the correspondence page monthly?
- 2) Index the correspondence page to make it useful to the public. Reading multiple pages of the same thread in different parts of the document is really not useful. Each thread for a topic should be one item in a log.
- 3) Provide all correspondence to the consultants, applicants and DOE on the page. You are not being transparent when you screen out correspondence. (I am contemplating a sweeping public records request so that I can see what is actually being done, but would prefer to give you the benefit of providing that transparency.)
- 4) Provide an update to the public on the status of the EIS. Where are we with progress on drafting the EIS? When is it anticipated to be released for the public to review?

Thanks.

David Stalheim

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**From:** BBGUN1010@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:35 PM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Cc:** Barbara Brenner; NaDean Hanson  
**Subject:** Fwd: FW: Thank you  
**Attachments:** Thankyou

FYI re: GPT

If this e-mail is about county business, it is a public record subject to public disclosure upon request. Please send all e-mails related to county business to my official county e-mail address, [bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us). Thank you.

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From: [bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us)  
To: [bbgun1010@aol.com](mailto:bbgun1010@aol.com)  
Sent: 1/6/2015 2:49:57 P.M. Pacific Standard Time  
Subj: FW: Thank you

-----Original Message-----

From: Rob Cheesman <[snowden3@aol.com](mailto:snowden3@aol.com)>  
Subject: Thank you  
Date: Tue, 6 Jan 2015 14:49:49 -0800  
To: "[bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us)" <[bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us)>

Dear Council Member Brenner,

On this day when the new congress convenes in the other Washington and Amid these days where it is often difficult to keep the faith for those who consider themselves progressively minded, the headline in today's Herald instills a degree of hope. I refer to the Lummis opposition to the coal terminal. I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for your good effort toward important issues and for your sacrifice you personally make for the greater good of Whatcom County.

Keep up the good fight!

Rob Cheesman

Sent from my iPad=

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**From:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 07, 2015 2:42 PM  
**To:** Denise Smith  
**Subject:** RE: GPT Emails

Hmm, try it now...

Tyler R. Schroeder  
Whatcom County Executive Office's Project Manager



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**From:** Denise Smith  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 07, 2015 2:30 PM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** GPT Emails

I can no longer view your in box.  
I think you will need to reshare or ask IT to give me access again.  
Thanks  
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*Denise Massey Smith*  
Administrative Assistant  
Whatcom County Planning and Development  
5280 Northwest Drive  
Bellingham, WA 98226  
360-676-6907 Ext. 50201

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**From:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Sent:** Monday, January 12, 2015 2:13 PM  
**To:** alice kelly (alice.kelly@ecy.wa.gov)  
**Subject:** FYI

[http://www.bellinghamherald.com/2015/01/10/4069501\\_environment-and-economy-dont-have.html?sp=/99/122/&rh=1](http://www.bellinghamherald.com/2015/01/10/4069501_environment-and-economy-dont-have.html?sp=/99/122/&rh=1)

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**From:** BBGUN1010@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, January 16, 2015 1:15 PM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Cc:** Barbara Brenner; NaDean Hanson  
**Subject:** Fwd: FW: Coal Train Without Shouting Article  
**Attachments:** CoalTrai; Article.pdf

FYI from Brenner

If this e-mail is about county business, it is a public record subject to public disclosure upon request. Please send all e-mails related to county business to my official county e-mail address, [bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us). Thank you.

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From: [bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us)  
To: [bbgun1010@aol.com](mailto:bbgun1010@aol.com)  
Sent: 1/16/2015 12:05:07 P.M. Pacific Standard Time  
Subj: FW: Coal Train Without Shouting Article

-----Original Message-----

Date: Fri, 16 Jan 2015 12:04:15 -0800  
From: Mialee Jose <[mialee@stirc.org](mailto:mialee@stirc.org)>  
To: "BBR >> Barbara Brenner" <[bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us)>  
Subject: Fwd: Coal Train Without Shouting Article

Hi Barbara,

I just discovered I had mistyped your email address. I'm sorry it took me so long to figure that out. Please enjoy the article, attached.

I'll send you meeting notes and some options for the next meeting date, as well, in case you'd like to attend. You are very welcome to!

Take care,

Mialee

----- Forwarded Message -----

**Subject:**Coal Train Without Shouting Article  
**Date:**Fri, 02 Jan 2015 22:07:21 -0800  
**From:**Mialee Jose <[mialee@stirc.org](mailto:mialee@stirc.org)>  
**Organization:**The Stir Center  
**To:**Barbara Brenner <[bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:bbrenner@co.whatcom.wa.us)>  
**CC:**Daniel Solomons <[daniel@stirc.org](mailto:daniel@stirc.org)>

Hi Barbara,

What a pleasure to meet you today! Thank you for taking part in our meeting. I hope you enjoyed it. We certainly appreciated your participation.

I've added you to the email list for the group - I usually refer to it

as the Economy Discussion Group, until we have a catchier name...

Here is the Herald article, attached.

Thanks again for your lively presence! I hope we meet again.

Sincerely,

Mialee

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**From:** Jack Louws  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 21, 2015 12:42 PM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** FW: RESEND: Courtesy copy of letter from Executive Constantine  
**Attachments:** Senators Murray and Cantwell - USACE Permits for Gateway Pacific final.pdf

For the record.

*Jack Louws*  
*Whatcom County Executive*  
*311 Grand Avenue, Suite 108*  
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**From:** [kcexec@kingcounty.gov](mailto:kcexec@kingcounty.gov) [<mailto:kcexec@kingcounty.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 21, 2015 11:25 AM  
**Subject:** RESEND: Courtesy copy of letter from Executive Constantine

**From:** [kcexec@kingcounty.gov](mailto:kcexec@kingcounty.gov)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 21, 2015 11:24 AM  
**Subject:** Courtesy copy of letter from Executive Constantine

Attached is your courtesy copy of a letter from King County Executive Dow Constantine to Senators Murray and Cantwell regarding the Gateway Pacific Terminal proposal. A paper copy has been sent to you via U.S. mail. Thank you very much.

James Bush  
Communications Specialist  
for King County Executive Dow Constantine



## King County

### Dow Constantine

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January 15, 2015

The Honorable Patty Murray  
United States Senate  
448 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Maria Cantwell  
United States Senate  
311 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

RE: **Lummi Nation Request for Denial of Permit for the Proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal Bulk Dry Goods Shipping Facility (Ref. No. NWS-2008-260).**

Dear Senators Murray and Cantwell:

I am writing to request that you review the recent letter and resolution from the Lummi Nation calling on the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to protect treaty rights and deny the permit for the Gateway Pacific Terminal (Ref. No. NWS-2008-260) and that you contact the USACE in support of the Lummi Nation and ask them to deny the permit.

The USACE has a responsibility and obligation to protect treaty rights and to ensure that the proposed action does not adversely impact the rights of the Lummi Nation to harvest salmon and shellfish. Based on the recent Gateway Pacific Terminal Vessel Traffic and Risk Assessment Study, the Lummi Nation finds that the proposed project will result in substantial impairment of treaty rights throughout their usual and accustomed fishing areas, and that these impacts cannot be mitigated.

I have expressed concern in past comment letters, including one directly to the USACE, about the potential negative impacts of the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal on treaty fishing rights, habitat for listed salmon species, water quality, habitat, public health, safety, traffic, and economic development not only at the site of the proposed terminal but along connecting barge and rail routes.

This is truly a statewide and regional issue. Increased barge traffic in the Salish Sea will bring increased risk of water pollution to critical habitat for threatened salmon species harvested by multiple tribes with treaty fishing rights. Significant increases in rail traffic – including the projected potential for 18 mile-and-a-half-long coal trains a day through the heart of King

Senators Murray and Cantwell

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County and other communities along the rail route – will bring traffic and freight delays and potential health impacts to our most vulnerable communities.

King County has come together with 138 state, tribal, and local elected officials from four states and British Columbia to raise awareness of the safety risks of oil and coal trains and their economic, cultural, environmental, and health impacts. One of the core guiding principles of the Safe Energy Leadership Alliance is to protect tribal treaty rights and sacred places from potential harm from coal transport and export.

Please urge the USACE to fulfil its trust responsibility to protect the treaty rights of the Lummi Nation and deny the permits under its jurisdiction for the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dow Constantine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dow Constantine  
King County Executive

cc: Chairman Tim Ballew II, Lummi Indian Business Council  
Councilmember Jay Julius, Lummi Indian Business Council  
The Honorable Jay Inslee, Governor, State of Washington  
The Honorable Peter Goldmark, Washington State Commissioner of Public Lands  
The Honorable Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive  
Lieutenant General Bostick, Commander, U.S. Army Corps of  
Engineers (USACE)  
Colonel John G. Buck, Seattle District Commander, Seattle District, USACE  
Lorraine Loomis, Chair, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission  
Maia Bellon, Director, Washington State Department of Ecology  
Safe Energy Leadership Alliance members

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**From:** Denise Smith  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 22, 2015 7:53 AM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** gpt

Are all your Dec gpt hours on the log? Let me know!  
I got the ch2mhill bill in the mail. Do you have the PDF version?  
Still can't see your gpt folder in outlook.. Think Ben fixed it last time when you were still at PDS!

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**From:** Craig, Kelly (GOV) <kelly.craig@gov.wa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 27, 2015 10:55 AM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** February 17th GPT Quarterly Mtg Agenda

Hi Tyler,

I'm working with Jesus, SSA Marine and Ecology to develop the agenda for our February quarterly meeting and would like to find out what agenda items Whatcom County would like to discuss. If possible, I would like to get this information from you before the end of this week.

Thank you,  
Kelly

Kelly Craig  
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**Website:** <http://oria.wa.gov>

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**From:** Denise Smith  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2015 12:04 PM  
**To:** Ari Steinberg; Tony Viola  
**Cc:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** GPT Staff Time December 2014  
**Attachments:** invoice-gpt-2014-012-20150128.pdf

Please see attached the invoice for Whatcom County staff time in December 2014. This will be sent to Whatcom County Finance for invoicing this week.

Thanks  
Denise

*Denise Massey Smith*  
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**J.E. "Sam" Ryan**  
Director

Request for Invoice

INV: GPT-2014-012

Date: January 26, 2015

Bill To: SSA Marine  
Attn: Ari Steinberg  
1131 SW Klickitat Way  
Seattle, WA 98134

RE: December 2014 -Monthly Whatcom County Staff Time

Fees:

Description	Revenue Account Number	Amount
Whatcom County Health Department Fees	656261.4345.8140	\$
Whatcom County Parks Department Fees	6011.4345.8140	\$
Whatcom County Planning & Development Services Department Fees	2526.4345.8140	\$
Whatcom County Public Works Department Fees	108010.4345.8140	\$
Whatcom County AS Executive Office	1210.4345.8910	\$2,800.00
	<b>TOTAL DUE</b>	<b>\$2,800.00</b>

Prepared by:  (Initials)  
Denise Massey Smith

Approved by:  (Initials)  
Tyler Schroeder

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**From:** Sam Taylor <samwtaylor@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2015 2:14 PM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Cc:** Becky Boxx; Denise Smith; Royce Buckingham  
**Subject:** Re: GPT

All - Following up on this: I realized I kept this material as it may be a public record. It's been sitting on my desk. I would like to get it off my desk.

Should I bring it to Becky for the record?

On Wed, Dec 3, 2014 at 10:07 AM, Tyler Schroeder <[tschroed@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:tschroed@co.whatcom.wa.us)> wrote:

Sam,

I was referred your email from PDS staff and would like to answer your question. The Whatcom County Code outlines a process for Major Project Permits (GPT application) that could involve a recommendation from the Planning Commission to the County Council. Due to this process, it is recommended that you not read this material.

Thanks,

Tyler R. Schroeder

Whatcom County Executive Office's Project Manager



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**From:** Denise Smith  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 03, 2014 9:55 AM  
**To:** Tyler Schroeder  
**Subject:** GPT  
**Importance:** High

Please respond to Sam Taylor's email below regarding GPT.

Thanks

Denise

**From:** Sam Taylor [<mailto:samwtaylor@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 01, 2014 2:22 PM  
**To:** Becky Boxx  
**Subject:** comments on GPT

Hi Rebecca -

Craig Cole mailed me a package related to GPT at my work address but noting I'm a Planning Commissioner. I skimmed the cover letter to note that it appears it's about GPT and jobs, but I haven't read the rest of the packet.

Is the Planning Commission in any way involved in GPT issues that would require me to not read this packet of material? I will not read it if I hear from you that I shouldn't, and I would of course disclose that I received this.

But please let me know if I am okay to read this, otherwise.

Thanks!

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