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Whatcom County Executive Boards and Commission Vacancies – 3/31/17

The following vacancies on boards and commissions are filled with appointments by the Executive and confirmed by the County Council, and are without compensation unless otherwise noted. All members must be registered voters and residents of Whatcom County. **Applications are available in the Executive's office; Whatcom County Courthouse, 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 108, Bellingham, phone #(360) 778-5200, or on the web at: <http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us/1584/How-to-Apply>**

AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD

3 Vacancies. This Committee assists in the implementation of numerous policies and tasks relating to protecting and enhancing the long-term viability of agriculture. The thirteen members of the AAC meet monthly from October through April and serve a four-year term.

AMERICAN'S WITH DIABILITIES ACT (ADA) COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy – Committee provides guidance to the County regarding making its facilities and programs accessible to those with disabilities. Committee meets monthly on the 4th Thursday and members serve a three year term.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES BOARD

1 Vacancy – Applicant must be representative of public, private, or voluntary agencies, local governmental units or a citizen knowledgeable about developmental disabilities. The Board serves in an advisory capacity to the Whatcom County Health Department; it provides recommendations related to services for individuals with developmental disabilities. Board members meet 4th Monday on alternating months and serve three year terms.

EMS OVERSIGHT BOARD

1 Vacancy – Finance/Budget Citizen Representative (this position is one of 3 board positions that is jointly appointed by the County Executive and the Bellingham Mayor). The board makes recommendations to Whatcom County and the cities and fire districts of Whatcom County regarding administration, operations, levels of service and EMS budgets. Meetings are held on a quarterly basis.

LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3 Vacancies – 1 Whatcom County Lodging Tax Recipient and 2 Whatcom County Lodging Tax Collectors. This committee serves in an advisory capacity to the County Executive, advising on recommendations for use of this special fund as allowed in RCW 67.28.180. The committee meets at least twice a year.

MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy – Citizen At Large. The committee, guided by sound science and the needs of the Northwest Strait marine ecosystem, and consideration for citizens of Whatcom County, will address local marine issues and recommend remedial action to local authorities. The committee will build awareness of issues, and gather support for remedies. Members meet monthly and serve a four-year term.

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

1 Vacancy – Business/Industry representative. This board serves in an advisory capacity to the Health Department on all issues related to the County Health Department and its programs. Meetings are bi-monthly on the first Thursday; four year term.

PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS (PDR) OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy. Applicant position is for an individual with real estate experience. This committee provides oversight and evaluation of the Agricultural Purchase of Development Rights program for Whatcom County. This program enhances the protection of the County's farmland, enhances the long-term viability of agricultural enterprises within the County and provides public benefit by retaining properties in permanent resource use. Meets on a quarterly basis, as needed; four-year term.