

Whatcom County Public Works

Lummi Island Chip Seal Road Maintenance



Road Work Planned for Summer 2020

- Project starts around July 6.
- Exact start date is subject to change.
- If you want to learn more about chip sealing, visit www.whatcomcounty.us/maintenance-operations or call us at 360-778-6200.



Ferry parking lot will be used for staging during chip seal.



Gravel being stored in preparation for chip seal road work later this summer.

Ferry Service During Chip Seal Work

Two large trucks will be given priority loading several times per day. This will allow the project to be completed faster, and in the most efficient way possible. Flaggers will be on site to ensure safe loading and unloading anytime equipment is being transported.

The ferry will remain on its current COVID-19 schedule, and continue to make additional trips to alleviate traffic buildup. If you have a time-sensitive schedule, we recommend getting in line early or crossing on one of our early morning trips.

Here's What You Need to Know

- Every paved county road on Lummi Island is planned to be chip sealed this summer.
- Use alternate routes during construction or plan for delays.
- Slow down to at least 25mph in work zones.
- Avoid distractions when driving through construction areas.
- Leave plenty of room between your vehicle and the one in front of you to avoid flying rocks.

Avoid Parking Along Affected Roadways

Loose gravel or chip sealant could damage vehicles left near roadways. Don't park within two feet of the edge of road pavement during construction, including places like the grange hall, post office, Willow's Inn, or Frank's Beach.

About the Chemicals We Use

We use a state-approved, water-based binder that includes elements to help the rock chips stick into the road and reduces the amount of loose rock on roadways. Warm, dry weather allows the binding and drying process to happen faster. Cool weather slows the process.

