



Press Release

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Lummi Island Ferry to Return to Service

THE CHANGEOVER:

The Lummi Island Ferry, the Whatcom Chief, is scheduled to return to service on Friday, September 28, 2018 at approximately 6:00 p.m. **This scheduled return to service date is contingent upon successful completion of the remaining shipyard repairs and sea trials.**

To facilitate the Whatcom Chief's return, Public Works will remove the Lummi Island gangway in advance. Accordingly, there will be a day time service outage on Wednesday, September 26, 2018. The last two Wednesday departures made by the passenger-only ferry will be:

- 8:20 a.m. from Lummi Island
- 8:30 a.m. from Gooseberry Point

The passenger-only ferry will return to service at 3:00 p.m.

On Friday, September 28, 2018 the passenger-only ferry will run from 5:40 a.m. until 8:40 a.m. The last two Friday departures will be:

- 8:20 a.m. from Lummi Island
- 8:30 a.m. from Gooseberry Point

All ferry service will stop while the dock modifications, floats, and remaining gangway are dismantled and removed.

The **Whatcom Chief** will return to service for its **6:00 p.m.** run on Friday, September 28, 2018. Both ferry docks will be unavailable for emergency use during this switchover with the exception of passenger-only service at 3 p.m. and 3:10 p.m. to accommodate school children.

This return to service schedule is necessary because of night time tidal conditions and the complexity of this year's changeover.

DRY DOCK SERVICES:

- The passenger shuttle van service will make all of its scheduled runs through Saturday, September 29, 2018. **There will be no shuttle van service on Sunday, September 30, 2018 and thereafter.**

PARKING:

Supplemental parking area at Gooseberry Point: If your vehicle is parked in the parking area adjacent to the ferry queuing lanes (entrance and exit lanes to the ferry), your vehicle **MUST** be removed by Wednesday, September 26, 2018 or your vehicle will be towed at the owner's expense. **No exceptions.**

All cars need to be removed from all other supplemental dry dock parking areas on Gooseberry Point and Lummi Island by the end of the day on Monday, October 1, 2018. Any vehicles left in the supplemental dry dock parking areas after Monday, October 1, 2018 will be towed at the owner's expense. **No exceptions.**

Bless you for your cooperation and patience!

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