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Subject: Introducing the Birch Bay Watershed Watchers Adopt-a-Block program

Adopt-a-Block is a collaborative effort between BBWARM, the Whatcom Conservation District, Whatcom County Health Department, the Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce and community volunteers as part of the Birch Bay Watershed Watchers initiative. The program aims to give concerned citizens, businesses, community groups, and environmental stewards the opportunity to adopt portions of their watershed and commit to keeping them free of garbage, debris and other contaminants that would otherwise enter our waterways.

Once volunteers have signed up, Adopt-a-Block kits are available to check out at the Birch Bay Visitor Information Center located at 7900 Birch Bay Drive. The kits are supplied with safety vests, trash grabbers, garbage bags, gloves, brushes, storm drain markers, traffic cones, and more.

Additionally, all Watershed Watcher volunteers are trained to monitor and improve conditions on local roadways, creeks, beaches and bluffs and report problems associated with poor drainage or potential pollution. Year-round residents of Birch Bay are strongly encouraged to participate. Reporting is easy! Take a photo, make some notes and submit via mail, email or our mobile app.

Sign up to be a Watershed Watcher today and receive a yard sign recognizing your efforts to keep Birch Bay clean! For more information, please contact Holly Faulstich at

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BBWARM Watershed Watchers
Adopt-a-Block program



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