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**Subject:** Testimony for August 13, 2020 Virtual Whatcom County Planning Commission Meeting  
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Please see my testimony attached.

To: The Whatcom County Planning Commission

Attention: Council Members: Stephen Jackson, Kimberley Lund, Robert Bartel, Jim Hansen, Dominic Mocerri, Atul Deshmane, Jon Maberry, Kelvin Barton, Natalie McClendon,

Subject: Your Virtual Public Hearing Thursday, August 13, 2020

Special Interest: I Support Cherry Point Jobs

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Please accept my testimony below:

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- . Which support the many small businesses and retails establishments in Bellingham, Ferndale, Lynden, Blaine, Custer, Sumas and Everson.
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Respectfully,

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