



LAKE WHATCOM WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT  
1220 LAKEWAY DRIVE  
BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON 98229

REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA

*February 27, 2013*

8:00 a.m. – Regular Session

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY  
At this time, members of the public may address the Commission. Please state your name prior to making comments.
3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
4. CONSENT AGENDA
5. SPECIFIC ITEMS OF BUSINESS:
  - A. Lake Whatcom Invasive Species Update – Clare Fogelsong from the City of Bellingham
  - B. Interlocal Agreement with City of Bellingham – 2013 Lake Whatcom Invasive Species Program
  - C. Discussion: Re-Conveyance of Land from DNR to Whatcom County
6. OTHER BUSINESS
7. MANAGER'S REPORT
8. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY
9. ADJOURNMENT



## LAKE WHATCOM WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

### AGENDA BILL

DATE SUBMITTED:	February 20, 2013		
TO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS			
FROM: Patrick Sorensen	MANAGER APPROVAL <i>Patrick Sorensen</i>		
MEETING AGENDA DATE:	February 27, 2013		
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:	5.A.		
SUBJECT:	Lake Whatcom Invasive Species Update		
LIST DOCUMENTS PROVIDED ⇒ NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING AGENDA BILL: _____	1. _____		
	2. _____		
	3. _____		
TYPE OF ACTION REQUESTED	RESOLUTION <input type="checkbox"/>	FORMAL ACTION/ MOTION <input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATIONAL/ OTHER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

#### **BACKGROUND / EXPLANATION OF IMPACT**

Clare Fogelsong from the City of Bellingham will be providing the Board with an update on the City of Bellingham's Aquatic Invasive Species Program and other issues related to Lake Whatcom.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

n/a

#### **RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

Discussion

#### **PROPOSED MOTION**

n/a



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MEETING AGENDA DATE:	February 27, 2013		
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:	5.B.		
SUBJECT:	Interlocal Agreement with the City of Bellingham – 2013 Lake Whatcom Invasive Species Program		
LIST DOCUMENTS PROVIDED ⇒ NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING AGENDA BILL: _____	1. Draft 2013 Aquatic Invasive Species Interlocal Agreement		
	2.		
	3.		
TYPE OF ACTION REQUESTED	RESOLUTION <input type="checkbox"/>	FORMAL ACTION/ MOTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATIONAL/ OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>

**BACKGROUND / EXPLANATION OF IMPACT**

Last year, through the annual budget process, the Board agreed to contribute up to \$50,000.00 towards the administration of the City of Bellingham's 2012 Lake Whatcom Invasive Species Program.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Previously, the District agreed to contribute financial resources towards the reimbursement of the City's resources in the administration of their Aquatic Invasive Species Program at Lake Whatcom. Both the District and the City utilize Lake Whatcom as their primary drinking water source and have a joint and common interest in protecting the quality and safety of the environment associated with the Lake. The aquatic invasive species effort was initiated in fiscal year 2012. As reflected in the attached agreement, the City will continue to be the party responsible for administering the program.

Periodic written reports will be presented to the District by the City regarding requested reimbursement contributions. A renewal of this program agreement will come back to the Board at the beginning of each year so long as we are financially participating. Resources have been provided for in the 2013 Budget.

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

To approve the 2013 version of the attached Interlocal Agreement with the City of Bellingham.


**PROPOSED MOTION**

To authorize the General Manager to sign the 2013 Interlocal Agreement between the City of Bellingham and the District in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 towards the funding of the Lake Whatcom Aquatic Invasive Species Program.



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### AGENDA BILL

DATE SUBMITTED:	February 21, 2013		
TO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS			
FROM: Patrick Sorensen	MANAGER APPROVAL 		
MEETING AGENDA DATE:	February 27, 2013		
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:	5.C.		
SUBJECT:	Discussion: Re-Conveyance of Land from DNR to Whatcom County		
LIST DOCUMENTS PROVIDED ⇒	1.		
NUMBER OF PAGES	2.		
INCLUDING AGENDA BILL:	3.		
TYPE OF ACTION REQUESTED	RESOLUTION <input type="checkbox"/>	FORMAL ACTION/ MOTION <input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATIONAL/ OTHER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

#### **BACKGROUND / EXPLANATION OF IMPACT**

Commissioner Citron requested that this item be included on the agenda for discussion.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

n/a

#### **RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

n/a

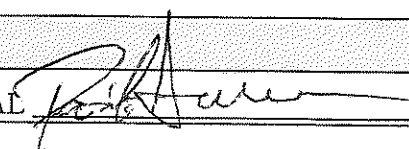
#### **PROPOSED MOTION**

n/a



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FROM: Patrick Sorensen	MANAGER APPROVAL 		
MEETING AGENDA DATE:	February 27, 2013		
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:	7		
SUBJECT:	Manager's Report		
LIST DOCUMENTS PROVIDED ⇨ NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING AGENDA BILL: _____	1. Manager's Report		
	2. _____		
	3. _____		
TYPE OF ACTION REQUESTED	RESOLUTION <input type="checkbox"/>	FORMAL ACTION/ MOTION <input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATIONAL/ OTHER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

#### **BACKGROUND / EXPLANATION OF IMPACT**

Updated information from the General Manager in advance of the Board meeting.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

#### **RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

None required.

#### **PROPOSED MOTION**

None

## General Manager Comments

February 27, 2013 - 8:00 a.m.

### Important Upcoming Meetings:

- **Meetings Associated with the Lake Whatcom Management Program:**
  - **Policy Group Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireplace Room in the Municipal Court Building (east side of building) located at 625 Halleck Street. The Agenda topics have not been set as of this date. Remember, all Policy Group Meetings are publicly noticed by the District.
  - **Joint Councils/Commissioners Meeting:** Scheduled for March 28, 2013 in the Bellingham Central Library Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m.
  - **Management Meeting:** There is not a meeting scheduled at this time.
  - **Staff Technical Team Meeting:** The next meeting has not been scheduled yet.
- **Next Regular Board Meeting:** Is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Next Employee Staff Meeting:** Is scheduled for Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room. Commissioner Weide is scheduled to attend. Scheduling is rotated by alphabetical order each month.
- **Washington Association of Sewer & Water Districts Section III Meeting:** The next Section III meeting will be held at Bob's Burger & Brew in Tulalip on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 starting at 6:00 p.m. All Section III Meetings are publicly noticed by the District.
- **Next Employee Safety Committee Meeting:** Wednesday, March 13 at 8:00 a.m. in the District Conference Room.
- **Whatcom Water Districts Caucus Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the District Board Room. This meeting is publicly noticed.

### Other

- **Spring WASWD Conference:** The Spring WASWD Conference will be held in Yakima April 4 & 5. We need to get a head count on who is planning on attending soon.
- **Upcoming Geneva Neighborhood Association Meeting:** Reminder. The GNA will be holding a neighborhood meeting on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 between 6:30 and 8:00 p.m. at the Fire Hall.
- **March & April Bill Stuffer:** FYI. Attached is a copy of the information stuffer that will be mailed out with all bills in both March and April. The focus is on protecting our environment in Lake Whatcom in advance of the spring boating season. This information was developed by the City on behalf of the Lake Whatcom Cooperative Management Group.

# Boating Tips

Be safe.  
Protect your boat.  
Protect Lake Whatcom.



## Clean, Drain, Dry

Your Boat and Recreational Equipment  
Help stop the spread of invasive species

### ☒ CLEAN

- Remove **ALL** aquatic plants, animals, and mud.
- Thoroughly wash everything, especially in crevices and hidden areas.

### ☒ DRAIN

- Drain water from your boat, trailer, tackle and gear, including wells, bilge, and engine cooling water **before** leaving the area.

### ☒ DRY

- Allow sufficient time for your boat and equipment to completely dry **before** entering other waters.
- If you cannot perform these steps, you should have your boat professionally cleaned with high-pressure hot water (>140°F) before launching into other waters.
- Do **NOT** release pets, bait, aquatic plants, or aquarium water into the wild.

## Boating Rules

- Do not use carbureted two-stroke engines on Lake Whatcom
- Do not transport any plants or animals to or from Lake Whatcom
- Speed Limits:
  - 6 mph at all times if you are within 300 feet of docks and the shore, or within 100 feet of a swimmer, diver, or any non-motorized boat
  - Night: 8 mph from 30 min after sunset to 30 min before sunrise
  - Day: 40 mph in unrestricted areas 30 min before sunrise to 30 min after sunset
- Right-of-Way:
  - You must give way to swimmers, divers, and fallen skiers
  - You must give way to any non-motorized watercraft including: sailboats, rowboats, canoes, and kayaks
- Life jackets are required to be aboard for each passenger and must be worn by children under the age of 7 at all times.
- Age:
  - You must be at least 10 years old to operate a motorized watercraft up to 10 HP without an adult on board
  - You must be 16 to operate a motorized watercraft with a motor greater than 10 HP