PROPOSED LAND TRANSACTION

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Meeting dates:April 8, 2016 COMMISSION MEETINGAgenda item:PROPOSED LAND TRANSACTIONSPresenter(s):Julie Sandberg, Real Estate Services Section Manager

Background summary:

ITEM 1: This proposal is to add 33 acres to the Mt St Helens Wildlife Area from the Washington Department of Transportation in Cowlitz County. The land transfer satisfies an agreement related to the construction of SR 504 resulting from the recovery efforts associated with the eruption of Mt St Helens.

WDFW currently operates a fish collection facility located on the proposed transfer property and the Green River Salmon Hatchery is located northeast of the property.

ITEM 2: This proposal is to grant an access easement to the Port of Grays Harbor allowing public access to the Port's property known as Sterling Landing on the Wynoochee River. The easement is located on property WDFW purchased for the Region 6 Office complex and the region currently does not use or maintain the road. The Port will assume maintenance obligations.

Policy issue(s) you are bringing to the Commission for consideration:

Protecting critical fish and wildlife habitat, and providing public recreational opportunities.

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

Item 1 was approved through the department's Lands 20/20 process in 2013 as part of a larger acquisition from WSDOT.

Action requested:

Approval of the proposed land transactions as presented.

Draft motion language:

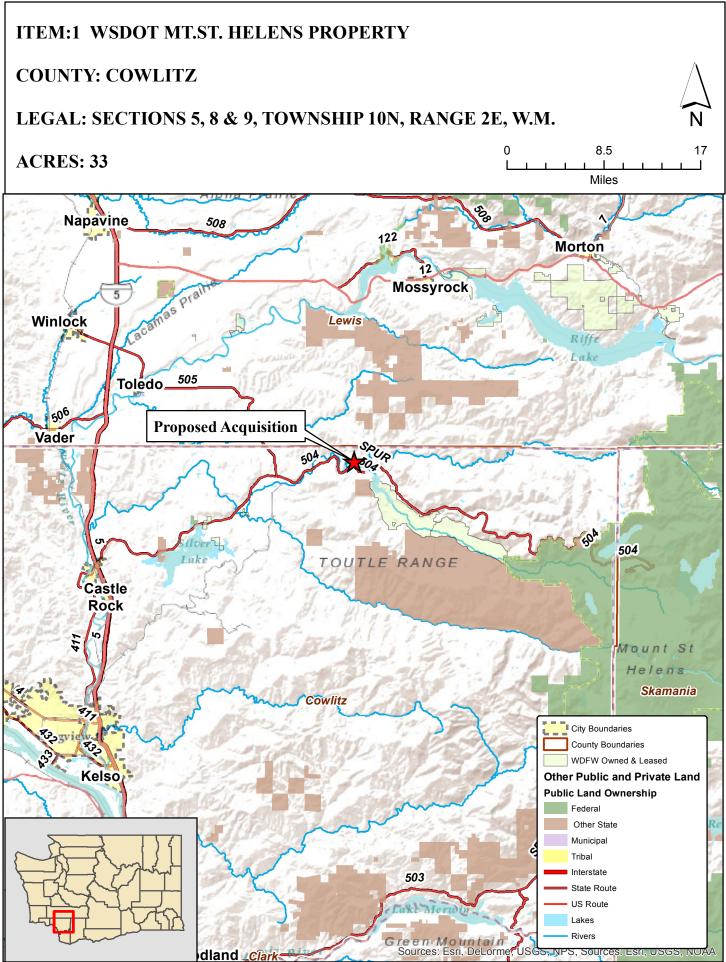
Move to approve the acceptance of 33 acres from WSDOT in Cowlitz County and to convey a road easement to the Port of Grays Harbor in Grays Harbor County.

Justification for Commission action:

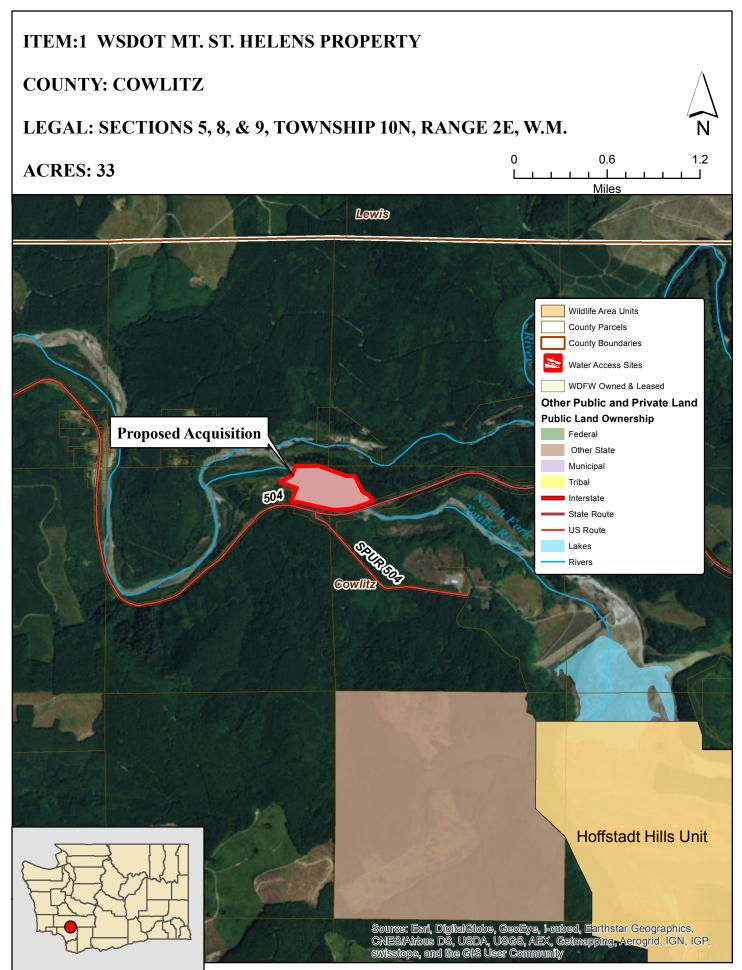
This action will provide protection for critical fish and wildlife habitat and provide additional public recreational opportunities.

Communications Plan:

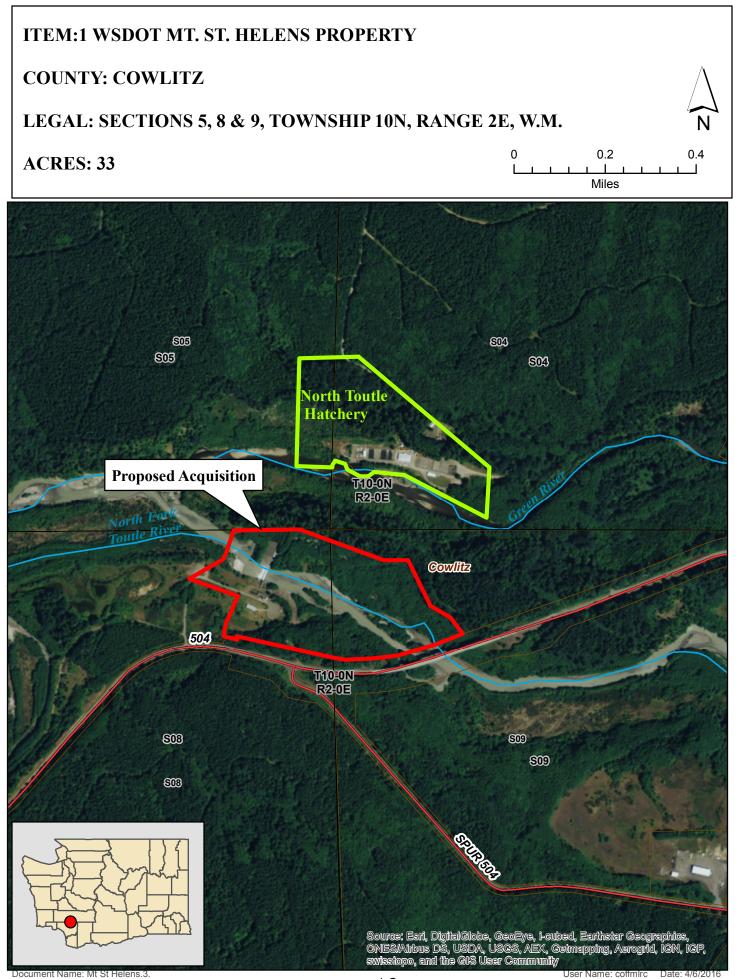
WDFW will distribute a press release informing the public of this action and proceed to closing the transactions.



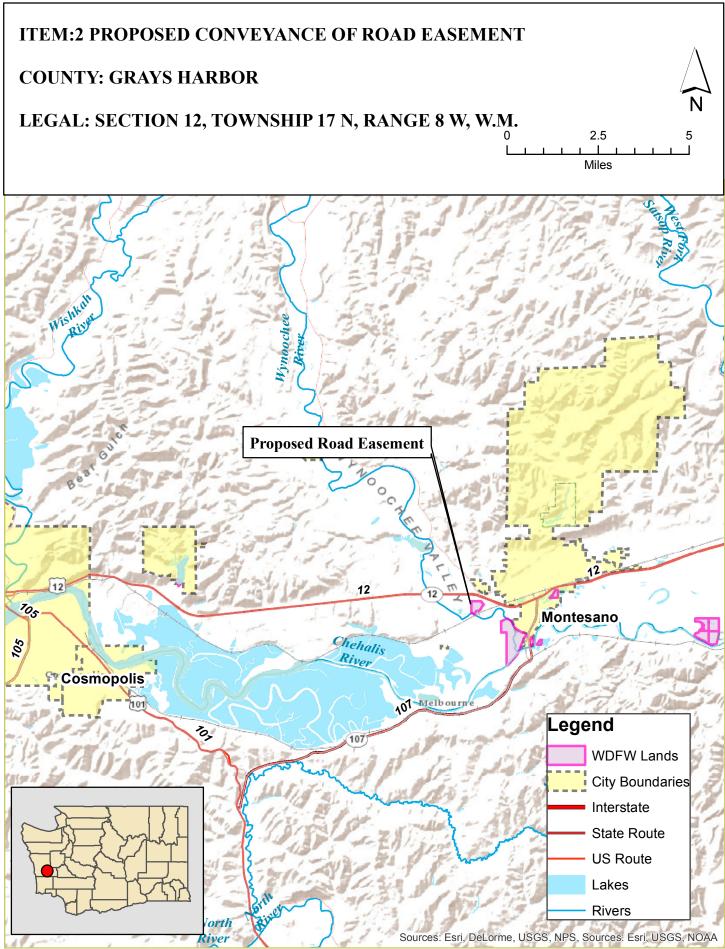
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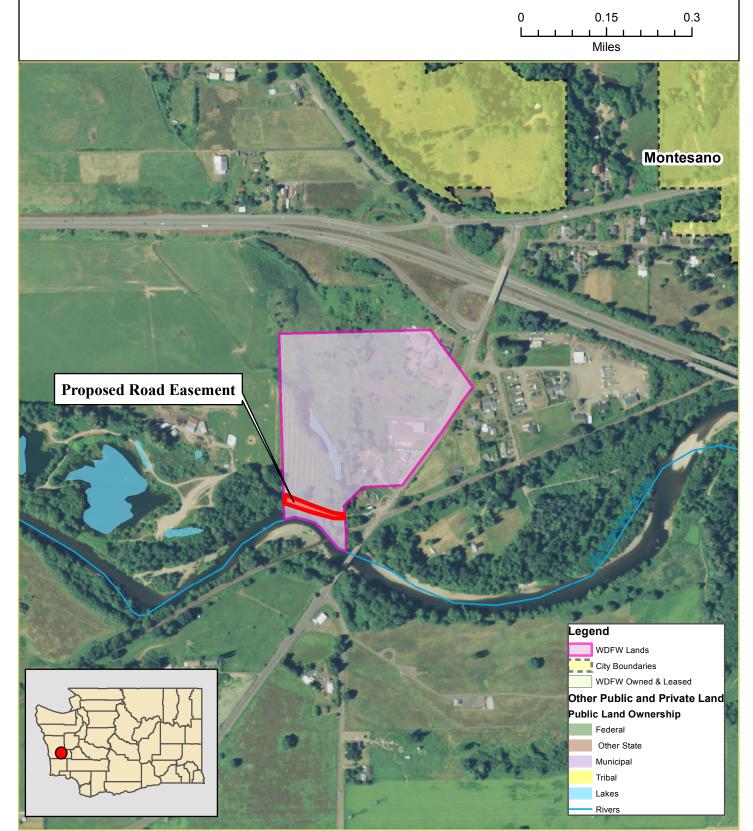
ITEM:2 PROPOSED CONVEYANCE OF ROAD EASEMENT COUNTY: GRAYS HARBOR LEGAL: SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 17 N, RANGE 8 W, W.M. 0.25 0 0.5 Т 1 Miles **S01** S02 12 T17-0N **R7-0W** S12 **Proposed Road Easement** T17-0N **R7-0W** S11 T17-0N **R8-0W** T17-0N **R8-0W** Legend WDFW Lands Other Public and Private Land Public Land Ownership Federal Other State Municipal S07 Tribal **Conservation Easements** <all other values> MngmtCode S13 Conservation Easement Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, C aphics, , IGN, IGP, Lakes S18 CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, L. Rivers swisstopo, and the GIS User community

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ITEM:2 PROPOSED CONVEYANCE OF ROAD EASEMENT

COUNTY: GRAYS HARBOR

LEGAL: SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 17 N, RANGE 8 W, W.M.



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