

KITTITAS COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

STUDY SESSION MINUTES **May 7, 2007**

THOSE PRESENT: Alan Crankovich, David Bowen, Mark McClain, Doug D'Hondt (DPW), Jan Ollivier (DPW), Randy Carbary (DPW), Christina Wollman (DPW), Cathy Bambrick (PH), Darryl Piercy (CDS), Neil Caulkins (PA), Brandon Drexler (DPW), Kelly Carlson (DPW)

GUESTS PRESENT: Catherine Dunn, Pat Deneen, Chad Bala

TRANSPORTATION PLAN: Jan Ollivier (DPW) presented a "Draft" Transportation Plan to the BOCC for their review. She stated that it is not ready for public view or comments yet. She went through each chapter and summarized the content and idea of each chapter. Commissioner Crankovich asked if she had a target date as to when she would be bringing it forward to the BOCC? Jan stated that she would have a much more complete product in another month. Commissioner Crankovich stated that he would like it done right and if it takes a little longer to do then so be it.

Board Direction: **No Board Direction**

FOREST SERVICE EASEMENTS: Director Drexler presented a flow chart that outlined guidelines on how to handle easements. He went over the proposed steps/process. Neil Caulkins (PA) stated that most easements are civil cases and that he suggests letting them get everything worked out prior to coming to the County. Pat Deneen stated that this process could make it so one person could stop a project even when a valid easement existed. Neil Caulkins stated that this process keeps the County out of any possible litigation. Mr. Deneen stated that the SEPA, and LOOPA processes should cover this issue and that this would be adding yet another step to the process. Commissioner Bowen stated that notification is the issue and that all users of the easement need to be notified.

Board Direction: **No Board Direction**

SUN COUNTRY/HERMITAGE DRIVE: Randy Carbary (DPW) stated that a request from Cruse & Assoc. to vacate a portion of public use right of way on Hermitage Drive. He stated that the road was built outside of the designated right of way and Cruse has been hired to correct the alignment which would include a vacation process from the


County. The question will the \$300 fee be charged to Cruse since he is correcting a public right of way??

Board Direction: **Directed staff to consult with legal on this question.**

W.S.A.C. CONFERENCE: Director Drexler stated that he and Doug D'Hondt would like to attend the WSAC Summer Conference in Walla Walla. The BOCC stated that they would be there and they had no objection with it.

Board Direction: **Sign up and attend.**

Meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.



Brandon Drexler
Public Works Director