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Edmonds Crossing Final Environmental Impact Statement Issued

(Edmonds - WA) – After working on the environmental impact statement process for over 10 years, the City and State’s goal of moving existing ferry operations from Main Street to another location south of Downtown Edmonds took one step closer to becoming a reality. On November 10, 2004, The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration, Washington State Department of Transportation (DOT), and the City of Edmonds issued the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Final 4(f) Evaluation for the State Route 104, Edmonds Crossing project in Edmonds, Snohomish County, Washington.

“The issuance of the Edmonds Crossing FEIS is a significant achievement and allows the project team to move on to the next phase of the project, i.e., full design, permitting, and property acquisition. The issuance of the FEIS will also help our requests for funding in the form of grants and federal appropriations to be more competitive” stated Stephen Clifton, Edmonds Community Services Director. According to Mayor Gary Haakenson, “Discussions about the potential to relocate the Edmonds Ferry Terminal have taken place for many years. Once constructed, one of the most significant benefits to the community will be the integration of the downtown core with the City’s waterfront, a long established goal of the City.” Russ East, Washington State Ferries Director of Terminal Engineering, stated “This milestone is the beginning, not the end of an exciting project. The City of Edmonds and the community have done a great service to WSF and the DOT, having worked for nearly a decade on bringing a new ferry terminal to Edmonds. We’re excited about the prospects of a new ferry terminal, and look forward to working with the City and Community to bring it home.”

Edmonds Crossing is a regional multimodal project that will integrate ferry, commuter and intercity rail, and transit services into a single complex. The project includes relocating the existing state ferry terminal from Main Street in downtown Edmonds and integrating ferry operations into the Edmonds Crossing project south of downtown. The project is intended to accommodate future growth in travel along the State Route 104 corridor which includes the Edmonds/Kingston ferry run, provide a long-term solution to

current operational and safety conflicts between ferry, passenger/commuter rail, carpool/automobile, bus, and pedestrian traffic, and integrate the Edmonds downtown core and waterfront by removing a significant amount of ferry traffic from the downtown area.

Additional Information

For additional information, please contact: Dean Torkko, Washington State Department of Transportation, 15700 Dayton Avenue North, NB82-138, P.O. Box 330310, Seattle, WA 98133-9710 torkkod@wsdot.wa.gov or (206) 440-4520

Documents and/or Compact Disk Availability

Copies of this final EIS are available in print form for \$135.00 or a CD format for \$4.00 by contacting Stephen Clifton at the City of Edmonds, 121-5th Avenue, Edmonds, WA 98020, sending an e-mail to Clifton@ci.edmonds.wa.us, or calling 425.771.0251.

The Final EIS and 4(f) Evaluation is available for review at the following public libraries:

City of Edmonds Library

650 Main Street
Edmonds, WA

City of Lynnwood Library

19200 – 44th Avenue West
Lynnwood, WA 98036

City of Mukilteo Library

4675 Harbor Pointe Blvd.
Mukilteo, WA 98275

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P.O. Box 352900
Seattle, WA, 98195-2900

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6880 Capitol Blvd.
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