



## Ferry Notice

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## Guemes Ferry Weekend Update

### Temporary Ferry Technical Advisory Group Applications **DEADLINE EXTENDED**

The deadline for applications to the temporary ferry technical advisory group (TAG) has been extended to next Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. You can read more about the announcement to convene a TAG to evaluate and recommend options for replacement of the Guemes Island ferry in the September 10<sup>th</sup> [press release](#). The TAG will consider previous ferry replacement studies and designs, including the all-electric ferry proposal, along with the results of the value engineering study conducted by Skagit County Public Works and a third-party consultant, to recommend replacement or refurbishment strategies for the Guemes Island ferry by August 31, 2026.

The TAG will include five members who are residents of Guemes Island and four members who are Skagit County residents at large, but not residents of Guemes Island. The at-large members will preferably be familiar with local vessel operations, private marine delivery or shuttle service, shipbuilding, naval architecture, emergency operations, or other relevant experience. **To read more about the organization, meeting schedule, and expectations for the TAG, please visit our [website](#).** Applications can be submitted through our [online portal](#). If you have questions about the TAG or application process, please reach out to [ferrycomments@co.skagit.wa.us](mailto:ferrycomments@co.skagit.wa.us).

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### Non-Peak Tickets Now for Sale

Non-peak tickets are now available for purchase on our **mobile app** in anticipation of the non-peak season starting on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Non-peak tickets will be available for purchase on the **website** on October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you plan to ride between today and October 1<sup>st</sup>, please remember to continue purchasing peak season tickets for those days. Non-peak tickets purchased before the peak season started [this year](#) can be used again starting October 1<sup>st</sup>. Unused peak season tickets may also be used during the non-peak season.

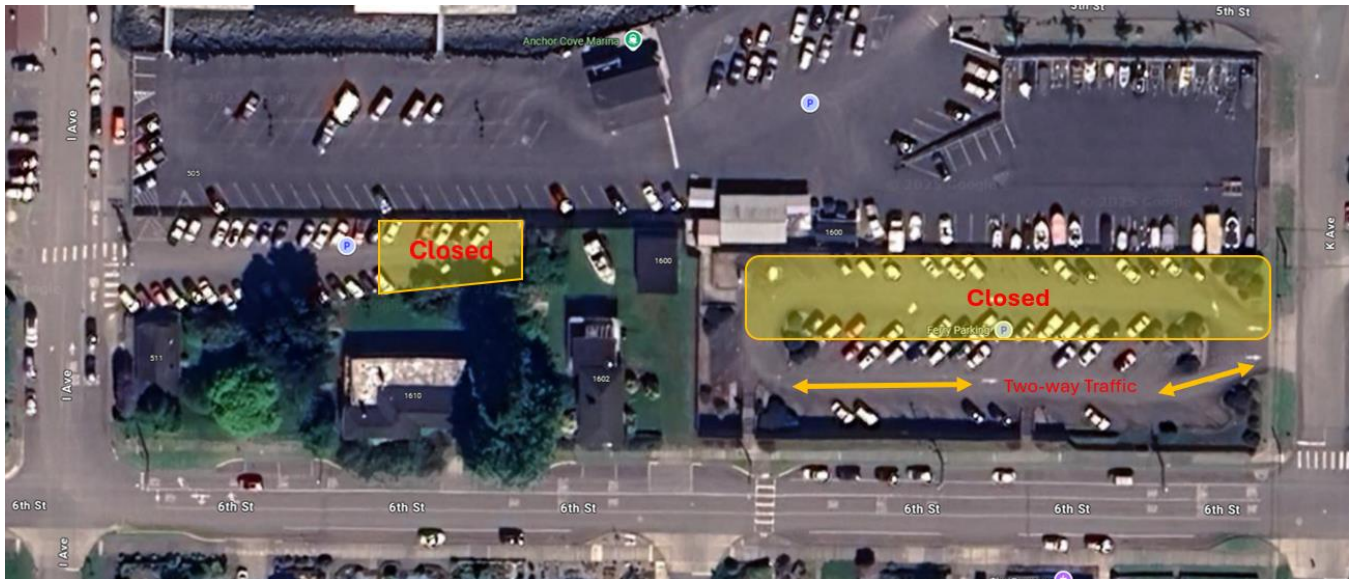
Please remember, **all tickets purchased in 2025 will expire on December 31, 2025.**

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## October Parking Lot Closures

Staff will be conducting storm water systems maintenance in both Anacortes parking lots on October 14th, which means we will have some partial lot closures from 8:30 p.m. on October 13th through 6:00 a.m. on October 16th.

Please refer to the map below to see which areas of the two Anacortes parking lots will be closed for maintenance. You can also see in the photo to the right what the maintenance will look like in progress.



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## Upcoming Maintenance Items

There will be no second 11:15 a.m. run next week Tuesday through Friday. The ferry crew will be refueling the vessel on Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, and our Chief Engineer will be performing engine room maintenance on the vessel and bridge maintenance on Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, through Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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## Anacortes Ferry Phone Line is Still Down

The phone line to the Anacortes ferry office is still down and will remain out of service for a while longer. We need to switch our phones over to a new system entirely in order to restore service. We are working on this effort as quickly as possible and looking for interim solutions to help customers over the phone. In the meantime, please call 360-416-1400 or email (preferable) [ferrycomments@co.skagit.wa.us](mailto:ferrycomments@co.skagit.wa.us)

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