



New Ferry Coming – We Want Your Input Guemes Island Community Meeting – August 29th



When: Tuesday, August 29, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

Where: Guemes Island Community Center – 7549 Guemes Island Road

What: Discuss the Ferry Replacement Project

Who: Skagit County Board of Commissioners, Captain Rachel Rowe, Glosten

We encourage all Guemes Island residents and property owners to attend, learn about and discuss the Ferry Replacement Project. Board of Commissioners Chair Ron Wesen, Commissioner Ken Dahlstedt and Commissioner Lisa Janicki, along with Public Works staff and a Glosten representative, will discuss this critical replacement project with Guemes Island and county residents.

Learn about our plan to use all-electric technology

The ferry replacement discussion ramped up in 2015 when all-electric propulsion for ferries became a reality as the *Ampere*, the world's first all-electric vehicle and passenger ferry, entered service in Norway.

In 2016, at the direction of the Board of Commissioners, we conducted a propulsion study that concluded, based on power requirements, all-electric propulsion was highly feasible and should be considered for the Guemes Island Ferry route.

In 2017, Skagit County issued a Request for Proposals for a naval architecture & marine engineering firm to provide design services for the new vessel and support Skagit County through vessel procurement and construction. Glosten, a naval architecture firm from Seattle was selected. Work will begin in early August; the first tasks will be a design study, propulsion trade-off analysis, concept design and preliminary design. Glosten will be at the meeting to discuss their scope of work and answer questions.

A new vessel could be in service as early as 2020

For more information, check the project website at skagitcounty.net/ferry and click on the "Ferry Replacement Project" link at the end of the left-hand column.

FERRY UPDATES:

Sign up for our ferry email list today and stay in the loop on ferry news:

1. See skagitcounty.net/email
2. Select "Guemes Island Ferry Information"



GUEMES ISLAND COMMUNITY MEETING
7549 Guemes Island Road
Tuesday, August 29, 2017
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

5:30 – 5:40 p.m.

Introductions & Opening Remarks

Skagit County Commissioner Chair, Ron Wesen
Skagit County Commissioner, Kenneth A. Dahlstedt
Skagit County Commissioner, Lisa Janicki
Glosten Principal-in-Charge, Dave Larsen, P.E.
Director of Public Works, Dan Berentson
County Engineer, Paul Randall-Grutter, P.E.
Public Works Controller, Jim Mickel
Transportation Programs Manager, Forrest Jones
Ferry Operations Division Manager, Captain Rachel Rowe

5:40 – 6:40 p.m.

Presentation – Ferry Replacement Project Update

- Project Status – Phase 1 Scope of Work
 - Project Funding - County Ferry Capital Improvement Program
 - Community and Stakeholder Engagement
-

6:40 – 7:30 p.m.

Questions and Comments

7:30 p.m.

Adjournment & Clean-Up

ABOUT GLOSTEN

Glosten, located in Seattle, is an employee-owned full-service consulting firm of naval architects, marine engineers, electrical engineers, and ocean engineers. Founded by Larry Glosten in 1958, the firm's design experience includes research vessels, passenger/car ferries, tugs, barges, dredges, and special purpose platforms. Consulting and design services include hull, structural, mechanical, and electrical systems design, as well as construction management.

The Glosten team consistently provides innovative, cutting-edge engineering and design solutions guided by broad-based practical marine experience. Their staff of 90 includes 36 professionally licensed engineers, supported by other engineers, marine designers, and production staff. Many of Glosten's engineers have had seagoing experience, and six staff members have US Coast Guard operating licenses.