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Lewis County
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Attention: Tim Fife

RE: I-5 / MP 69.35 – 69.48 / Koontz Road Bridge – Emergency Bridge Repair
Request for Extended Closure of Koontz Road Bridge

Dear Mr. Fife:

This request letter has been prepared as a follow up to your e-mail from October 18, 2022. The Washington State Department of Transportation has awarded a contract to Selby Bridge Company to repair damages to the Koontz Road Bridge in Lewis County.

In consideration of the space necessary to perform the work and for the safety of the traveling public, it will be necessary to close the bridge to the public. Based on the current project schedule, the closure of the Koontz Road Bridge will need to start on September 18, 2023 and is anticipated to be needed until December 4, 2023 based on the attached schedule. We are requesting that the closure approval be in place through the end of the calendar year to provide some latitude around the timing, with the possibility of delays due to unfavorable weather.

At your earliest convenience, please respond providing the County's approval to close the Koontz Road Bridge from September 18, 2023 through December 31, 2023. If you have any questions or otherwise wish to discuss, please call my office at 360-740-8600.

Thank you,

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Paul Mason, P.E.
Area Engineer

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Enclosure:

Koontz Preliminary Schedule (Contract 9930), August 8, 2023
Koontz Road Bridge Closure Request During Construction, October 18, 2022
I-5/Koontz Road Bridge Repair/Koontz Road Bridge Closure request during Construction,
December 9, 2022