

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-098

THE NECESSARY ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL
RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE CENTRALIA ALPHA
ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Transportation Improvement Plan includes the Centralia Alpha Road Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, RCW 8.08.010 empowers the County the right to condemn land for public use when deemed necessary for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) passed Resolution 21-189, instructing the County Road Engineer to acquire all necessary right of way for the Centralia Alpha Road project under its eminent domain authority; and

WHEREAS, an offer to acquire additional right of way was made to all owners of land required for the project; and

WHEREAS, negotiations have not been successful in acquiring right of way from two property ownerships; and

WHEREAS, the County and the ownerships of Steve and Marsha Verdick and William and Kayla Lord have reached an impasse for acquisition of the necessary right of way, and the only available option is to initiate condemnation; and

WHEREAS, RCW 8.25.290 requires that notices and publications be made prior to the BOCC taking final action to authorize condemnation of the property.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Works Department is hereby instructed to proceed with all necessary notifications and publications required by RCW 8.25.290, then report back when requirements are met, at which time, authorization of condemnation for additional right of way for Centralia Alpha Road will be considered.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 21st day of March, 2023, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to proceed with all appropriate and necessary notifications, postings, and publications as required by law

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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