

## Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners

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Roger Millar, Secretary of Transportation Washington State Department of Transportation PO Box 47300 Olympia, WA 98504-7300

Re: Letter of support for Pend Oreille County Public Works Department

Dear Mr. Millar,

We, the Board of County Commissioners, wish to provide this letter of support for our Public Works Department and Director Craig Jackson. The Board has directed Mr. Jackson to look for ways to preserve our paved roads and avoid reverting them back to gravel. Under his leadership, the department is seeking ways to help fund their road projects. A PIF application was submitted, but rejected, requesting to use county forces to complete the work, using STIP funds. Obviously, there would be tremendous savings versus advertising for bids and awarding a contract—an estimated 43%—according to Mr. Jackson.

We respectfully request that you reconsider awarding the requesting funding to Pend Oreille County.

Sincerely,

PEND OREILLE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mike Manus, Chair

Stephen Kiss, Vice Chair

Karen Skoog, Member

cc: Kathleen Davis, Local Programs