

RESOLUTION 1887

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, OPPOSING LOCATION OF NEW WEIGH STATION AT INTERSTATE 90 MILEPOST 34

WHEREAS, the Washington State Patrol (“WSP”) and Washington Department of Transportation (“WSDOT”) are currently considering the placement of a new weigh station along Interstate 90 (“I-90”), in the vicinity of milepost (“MP”) 34; and

WHEREAS, a proposed weigh station at MP 34 would be unlikely to have the necessary public infrastructure to support it, due to a lack of water supply and sewer utility availability; and

WHEREAS, a proposed weigh station at MP 34 would have negative impacts to the community, including but not limited to, negative impacts to the adjacent children’s educational camp, Camp Waskowitz; and

WHEREAS, MP 34 is not a suitable chain up area due to the low amounts of snowfall received at this location annually; and

WHEREAS, MP 34 is likely to be an extremely expensive location to construct due to the high prevailing wage rates in King County; and

WHEREAS, construction of a weigh station at MP 34 is likely to increase negative impacts to public health and safety, due to its location in proximity to the private water well serving Camp Waskowitz, as well as other private wells; and

WHEREAS, construction of a weigh station at MP 34 is likely to increase traffic congestion, due to the high use of existing interstate exit at that location; and

WHEREAS, North Bend currently bears the burden of impacts to the community from the existing truck stop north of I-90 in the vicinity of MP 34 and the addition of a weigh station at MP 34 will inequitably concentrate the negative impacts of truck traffic upon the community of North Bend; and

WHEREAS, the added noise pollution from trucks accelerating and decelerating will negatively impact the community at large; and

WHEREAS, the MP 34 location is part of the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage area and a weigh station at this location is inconsistent with the goals of such National Heritage area; and

WHEREAS, a proposed weigh station at MP 34 does not respect the character, integrity and community values of the area; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a Public Hearing on June 4, 2019 regarding the proposed weigh station location;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Opposing Weigh Station at MP 34. The City of North Bend officially opposes the location of a new weigh station at Interstate 90, milepost 34, and will issue a letter to the Washington Department of Transportation and Washington State Patrol in a form and content substantially as attached hereto as Exhibit A.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF, THIS 4TH DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

CITY OF NORTH BEND:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kenneth G. Hearing, Mayor

Eileen M. Keiffer, City Attorney

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Effective: June 4, 2019
Posted: June 5, 2019

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk