

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION NO. 24-456

THE PROPOSED VACATION OF A PORTION OF
UNDEVELOPED ROPPERS ROAD

WHEREAS, RCW 36.87 allows for the vacation of a county road that is found useless to the needs of the County pending a report of the County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 24-444, passed by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) on December 3, 2024, directed the County Engineer to examine a portion of Roppert Road and report his findings to the BOCC; and

WHEREAS, as required by RCW 36.87, the report of the County Engineer on the matter of the proposed vacation of the following described portion of Roppert Road was filed in the office of the BOCC on December 11, 2024, to wit:

All that portion of the easterly 664.28' of undeveloped Roppert Road right of way in Sections 23 & 26, Township 12 North, Range 2 West, W.M.; and

WHEREAS, the report and all related materials have been reviewed by the BOCC and found appropriate for further proceedings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to proceed with all necessary notifications, posting and publication.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 17th day of December, 2024.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

David Bailey
By: David Bailey,
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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Scott J. Brummer, Chair

ATTEST:



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Rieva Lester, CMC,
Clerk of the Lewis County Board of
County Commissioners

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Sean D. Swope, Commissioner

Notice

RCW 36.87 allows for the vacation of a county road that is found useless to the needs of the County pending a Report of the County Engineer. Resolution 24-444, passed by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) December 3rd, 2024, directed the County Engineer to examine the easterly 664.28 feet of undeveloped Roppert Road, and report his opinion to the BOCC. On December 11th, 2024, the Engineer's Report on the matter of the proposed vacation of that portion of undeveloped Right of Way, was filed with the BOCC. The report and all related materials have been reviewed by the BOCC and found appropriate for further proceedings. This resolution sets January 14th, 2025, at or after the hour of 10:00 a.m., in the BOCC Hearing Room on the 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis, Washington, as the time and place for the hearing on the County Engineer's Report. Please look at the Commissioners' hearing schedule at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/agendas-calendar/> as January 14, 2025, approaches for updated details. Written comment may be submitted in person at the BOCC, 351 NW North Street, Room 210, Chehalis, WA 98532 or via email at bocc@lewiscountywa.gov beginning December 17, 2024. Written comment must be clearly marked "Written comment for January 14th hearing" and must be received by 10 a.m. January 12, 2025.

All that portion of the easterly 664.28' of undeveloped Roppert Road, in Sections 23 & 26, Township 12 North, Range 2 West, W.M.

Title VI Notice to Public

It is the policy of Lewis County that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, or national origin, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise discriminated against under any of its Federally funded programs and activities. Any person who believes his/her Title VI protections have been violated may file a complaint with WSDOT's Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO). For additional information regarding Title VI complaint procedures and/or information regarding our nondiscrimination obligations, please contact Lewis County's Title VI Coordinator at (360) 740-2612.

Dated: December 17, 2024



Rieva Lester
Clerk of the Lewis County Board
of County Commissioners



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IN THE MATTER OF:

The Order of the Lewis County Board of Commissioners for
the proposed vacation of undeveloped Right Of Way, being a
continuation of Roppert Road, Winlock, WA

} **ENGINEERS REPORT**
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TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

I, the undersigned County Engineer of Lewis County, Washington, to whom was referred on the 3rd day of December, 2024 by Resolution 24-444, ordering me to examine a portion of undeveloped Right Of Way, being a continuation of Roppert Road, in Winlock, in Sections 23 & 26, Township 12 North, Range 02 West, W.M., stating that said Board intends to proceed to determine whether said right-of-way should be vacated and abandoned for the reason that it is useless as a part of the County road system and that the public will be benefited by its vacation and abandonment, herewith submit my report thereon:

FIRST: The A. Roppert Road No. 781 was established as a county road on September 21, 1934, being a width of 40 feet.

SECOND: The portion of right of way proposed for vacation includes the easterly 664.28 feet of right of way that is unimproved and unmaintained by the County.

THIRD: The right of way is adjoined by property owned by Ted and Charity Parr, who have requested this vacation.

FOURTH: All of the adjoining owners have signed the Petition to Vacate County Right-of-Way, representing 100% of the frontage on undeveloped Roppert Road.

FIFTH: This portion of right of way does not abut a body of water, nor is the right of way necessary as part of the county road system and is useless for County road purposes.


SIXTH: The Property Owner has paid all administrative fees and publication costs associated with this vacation.

SEVENTH: Utility companies known to service the general area have been contacted and are not opposed to the vacation.

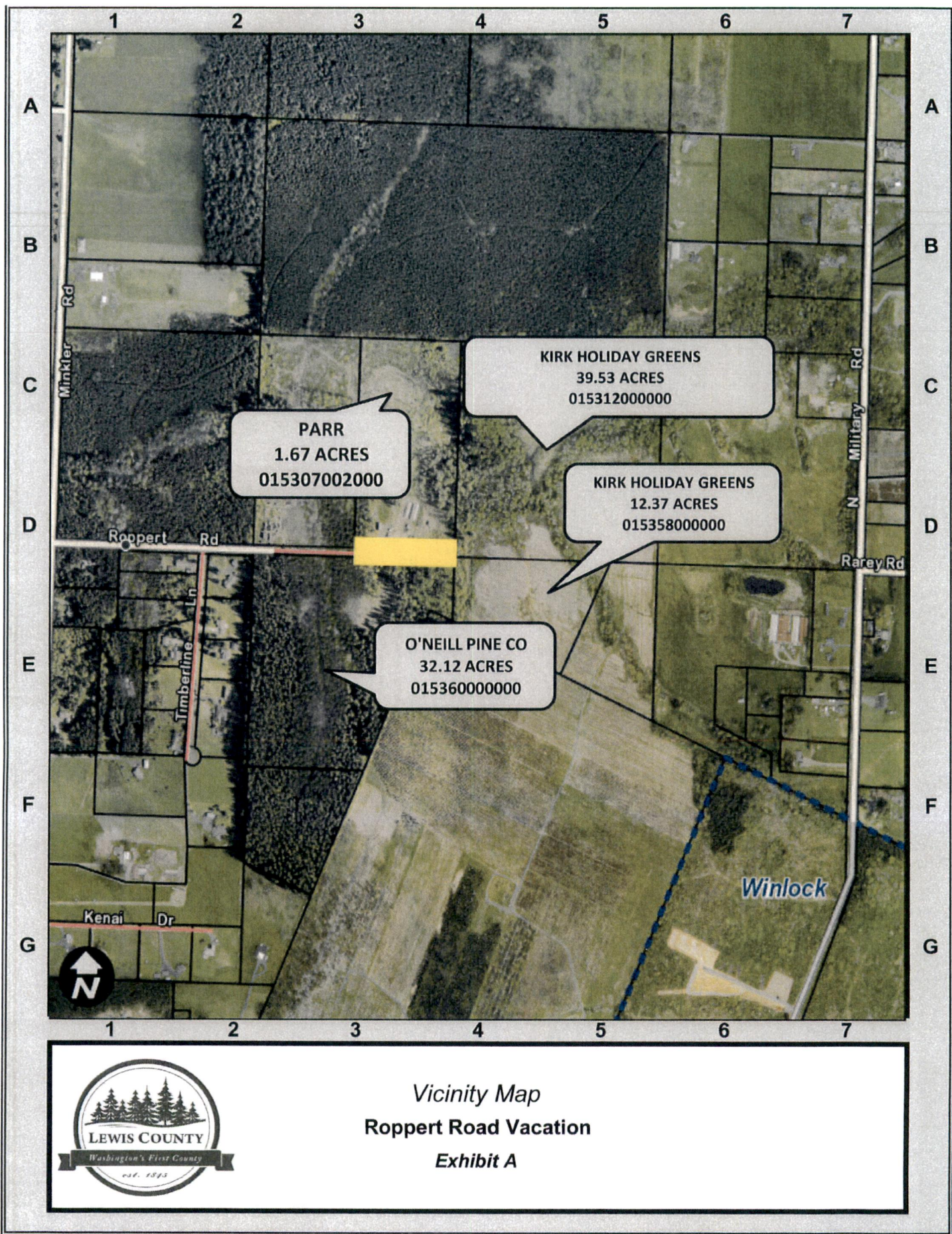
In my opinion, this portion of right of way should be vacated for the reason that the public will be benefited by its vacation, returning the property to the tax rolls and does not need to be preserved for future county road purposes.

I include with this report a map showing the right-of-way proposed to be vacated.

Respectfully submitted this 5 day of DECEMBER, 2024.



Geoff Soderquist, PE
County Engineer



BOCC AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Resolution:**BOCC Meeting Date:** Dec. 17, 2024**Suggested Wording for Agenda Item:****Agenda Type:** Legal Notice

The proposed vacation of a portion of undeveloped Roppert Road

Contact: Shawn Kyes**Phone:** 360-740-1183**Department:** PW - Public Works**Description:**

A property owner has requested the vacation of portion of undeveloped Roppert Road. Resolution 24-444, passed by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) directed the County Engineer to examine that portion of undeveloped Roppert Road. On December 11, 2024, the Engineer's Report on the matter was filed with the BOCC. This resolution sets January 14, 2025 as the date for the hearing on the County Engineer's Report. This resolution also calls for the Clerk of the Board to proceed with all the necessary notifications, posting and publication

Approvals:**Publication Requirements:****User****Status****Publications:**

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