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WSF's First Female Staff Chief Engineer

We recently promoted Judy Fosmo to the position of Staff Chief Engineer (SCE) on the Yakima. Ms. Fosmo will be the first female SCE in WSF's history. Judy is an accomplished engineer and started with WSF in 1982. She has worked on several vessel classes during her career; most recently Judy sailed aboard the Elwha, served time aboard the Cathlamet, and since November of 2006, has been Chief Engineer aboard the Sealth. Join me in congratulating Judy!

New Advertising Campaign

When riding the Seattle/Bainbridge Island ferries, you will see a new campaign for RePower Bainbridge. RePower Bainbridge is a community-wide program dedicated to helping Islanders save energy, reduce costs, make their home more comfortable, and create a more sustainable Island. I appreciate the innovative solutions provided by the vessel engineering department to accommodate the technology used in this campaign. To view photos, visit www.flickr.com/photos/wsdot/sets/72157626163494841. If you are interested in learning more about advertising at WSF, visit www.wsdot.wa.gov/Ferries/Planning/marketing.htm#advertising

Mukilteo Terminal Temporary Closure

As a reminder, the Mukilteo Terminal is closed for construction today through Sunday. This is the first of three temporary closures of the terminal on March 18-20, March 25-27 and April 1-3. During the closures, ferry traffic from Clinton (Whidbey Island) will go to Edmonds. Work has been underway at the terminal since early February during the evenings. For construction photos, visit www.flickr.com/photos/wsdot/sets/72157626164106479/. This weekend, the counter weight cables will be installed, and the transfer span and apron hoists, cables and sheave blocks and supports will be replaced. For more information on the temporary closure, visit www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/Ferries/mukilteoterminal/preservation.

Mukilteo Pavement Work

To minimize disruption to customers, WSF is coordinating a second construction project during the temporary Mukilteo terminal closures to correct a rut in the pavement. This work will include removing the existing asphalt in the driving lane of the first tollbooth. Once the asphalt is removed, concrete will be poured in the area where the asphalt was removed. The concrete needs to cure and the tollbooth should open by the Monday afternoon commute. This work will alleviate a bump at the approach to the first tollbooth and it will help ensure accuracy with the underground system that counts vehicles to help track revenue.

WSF in the News

Many of you have followed the King 5 series covering the ferry system. I want you to know that King 5 aired a story this week on the cost savings WSF has achieved during the last year, including a savings of \$2.7 million in labor costs. To watch, visit www.king5.com/news/investigators/Ferry-system-saves-millions-in-labor-costs-118130234.html

Safety Management System Review

This week we conducted the annual internal Safety Management System (SMS) audit. The SMS includes WSF safety programs, plans, policies, processes, procedures, practices, and performance measures. The audit of the SMS is an important tool for analyzing and improving WSF's safety, security, emergency management, and

environmental protection at our terminals and aboard the vessels. This focus on safety makes WSF a world leader in safety and environmental protection.

Next Week:

- Mukilteo Terminal Temporary Closure March 25-27
- Presentation to the Washington State Transportation Commission

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