



# Public Infrastructure and Conservation

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

**ECAF:** 2025-2600  
**Ordinance:** 25-050

**Type:**

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

**Requested Handling:**

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

**Fund Source:**

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

**Executive Rec:**

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

**Approved as to**

**Form:**

- Yes
- No
- N/A

**Subject:** Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the Tulalip Tribes of Washington relating to the to transfer of Totem Beach Road.

**Scope:** A newly negotiated interlocal agreement is proposed between the County and the Tribes describing the terms and conditions, mutually agreed upon by both parties, that would authorize a transfer of Totem Beach Road and Snohomish County Bridge #509 from Snohomish County to the Tulalip Tribes of Washington. The road and bridge are to be transferred into the Tulalip Tribes’ Tribal Transportation Program and is to be operated and be maintained for continued public use.

**Duration:** The property shall be deeded to the Tulalip Tribes with property covenants that the property shall continue to be operated and maintained in perpetuity for public road purposes, open and available to both members and nonmembers.

**Fiscal Impact:**  Current Year  Multi-Year  N/A

**Authority Granted:** Authorizes the County Executive to execute the Interlocal Agreement, substantially in the form of Attachment A to the ordinance, with the Tulalip Tribes for the transfer of Totem Beach Road. Authorizes the County Executive to execute a quit claim deed, substantially in the form of Attachment B to the ordinance, to transfer Totem Beach Road to the Tulalip Tribes, and to sign other paperwork required by the United States Department of Interior necessary to effectuate the transfer, upon full execution of the interlocal agreement.

**Background:** In 1881 the Board of County Commissioners for Snohomish County ordered the establishment of Road 8, which had previously been depicted on 1874 US GLO survey maps and records as the “road from Mission to Tulalip”. In the 1970’s the portion of Road 8 that is now known as Totem Beach Road was realigned around the Tulalip Marina. In 1998 the US Department of the Interior granted to Snohomish County Public Works a right-of-way easement for purposes of bridge replacement over Battle Creek.

The County identifies Totem Beach Road as a portion of county road log #60880, extending from 64<sup>th</sup> Street NW to the “End of County Maintained Road” sign near the entrance to the Tulalip Marina. This includes County Bridge #509 over a creek known alternately as Mission Creek or Battle Creek and is part of the county road network.

**Requested Action:** For Council to move the ordinance to GLS on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to set time and date for a Public Hearing, suggested date September 24, 2025, at 10:30 am.