

EDC Update

August 2, 2021

1:32 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, County Manager Erik Martin, Becky Butler, Todd Chaput, Marrienne Schumacher

Guest: Susan DeLaire

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Todd Chaput provided the following updates:

- The EDC said he is working with GIS to include data points on culverts.
- WSDOT and ToledoTel are providing information about their projects to add to the EDC map and matrix.
- The PUD has announced plans to pull fiber optics throughout the county.

Todd said the EDC is working on a scoring matrix for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. He said the GIS map should be mostly complete by the end of August and that the scoring matrix likely will be ready in September. He said the EDC also is creating a template for reporting.

Marrienne Schumacher provided the following updates:

- A groundbreaking ceremony for a new steel manufacturer in Centralia will take place Aug. 12.
- A Burlington company is eyeing Lewis County for its expansion.
- The deadline for .09 applications is Aug. 27, and the .09 committee will meet Sept. 10.
- The EDC is working with a contractor to update Vader's design standards.

Meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.