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**From:** Bill Tremblay <btrrembla@gmail.com>  
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**To:** Assembly  
**Subject:** Drop support for ferry from Petersburg to Kake Road

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Dear Assembly Members;

I encourage you to drop any support for a ferry from Petersburg to the Kake Road connection (at the 12 Mile area on Kupreanof). There are several reasons for this.

At it's inception, the State had always noted that there would be no ferry connection to this road and that "private enterprise" would provide this service. There is not, and never will be, the amount of traffic required to support a ferry service to this road connection.

Other factors;

- The Federal Highway Administration, with the concurrence by the State, determined that this road served no purpose or need in their 2016 analysis of this road.
- The Corps of Engineers allowed the permitting of this road after doing a separate environmental analysis which did not incorporated the earlier determination of need by Federal or State resources. (Ignoring both Petersburg and Kake comments to this project and probably issuing an illegal finding.)
- The State has never said that there were funds to support the maintenance of this road. Example: If this road was that important for "emergency use" one would think there would have been snow plowing performed to ensure accessibility during the winter months. However, no such maintenance was performed last year, or is proposed in the future.

State and Federal funds need to be focused on projects that support our community, not just satisfy the needs or wants of a handful of people. I encourage you to drop the need for a ferry from Petersburg to the Kake Road from your Capital Improvement Projects list.

Thank you,

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