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Looking West SE 416th & SR 169

Proposed location of a \$4 million roundabout for humans

Enumclaw, WA Community Meeting Held to Stop State Forced Roundabout

The following are my meeting notes and my opinion FYI.

- **Senator Roach called the 3rd meeting of the WA State "Proposed" Roundabout promptly at 7PM, Wednesday. 9-26-07 at the Enumclaw, WA City Library.**
- **44 attended the meeting plus several from WADOT**
- **Senator Pam Roach and Representative Chris Hurst did an excellent job in representing**

representing the community.

- What a refreshing change from the likes of our King County Council who only represent Seattle.
- If it was not for Senator Roach and Representative Hurst, Washington State DOT would roll over us faster than King County does.
- Still the Ms. Eng the WA DOT Regional Director tells us they are engineers and know know best what is good for us.
- Unbelievable arrogance and more evidence of a higher up Washington State Green Agenda.
- Property owners are increasingly experiencing this silent and deadly green extremism in all levels of government including;
 - County District & Superior Courts, e.g. Pierce County
 - WA State Prosecuting Attorneys, e.g. Pierce and King County

The Nitty Gritty

- Mr. Russ East, Assist. Region Administrator of the NW Region DOT Highway Construction Program for Snohomish & King County previously told Senator Roach there would be no roundabout but the money would be kept for the intersection. intersection.
- Representative Hurst asked for a letter confirming this.
- DOT NW Regional Administrator Ms. Eng wrote the letter but did not vacate the roundabout plan
- Senator Roach and Representative Hurst both stated their position, i.e. the overwhelming majority of the community does not want the roundabout.
- Senator Roach asked for alternatives for the intersection instead.
- The DOT drew up alternatives at the last minute, i.e. they never even considered alternatives for the intersection.
- Part of the requirements for any traffic control given to the DOT was "not intrusive to to private property".
- Roundabout cost estimated to be \$4 million and take 3.3 areas of rural private farm land land property
- A major intersection realignment and signal cost estimated to be \$4 million and take 2.7 2.7 acres of rural private farm land property
- Legislature has allocated \$6.1 million of tax payer money for this intersection
- \$400,000 has been spent so far on study
- Traffic count on SR169 is 12,000 per day, or about 6,000 each way, north and south
- There has been 32 accidents in 8 years, i.e. 4 accidents/year, other numbers and years

show 2 accidents/year

- DOT is inferring it was their way, i.e. roundabout or no way, i.e. they Mr. East & Ms. Ms. Lorena Eng refused to take the roundabout off the table.
- Senator Roach went through a list of DOT hand write alternatives with the 44 in attendance and eliminated 4 alternative including the roundabout.
- The DOT was directed to come back to a working group of Senator Roach to discuss.
- Meeting adjourned
- Mr. Russ East email is eastrus@wsdot.wa.gov
- Ms. Eng email is engl@wsdot.wa.gov

P.S. #1 Here is another type of "roundabout" for fish and an example of how government railroads local rural property owners.



**Intersection of SE 416th and 244th SE looking West
Before installation of an est. \$500,000 concrete fish "roundabout"
There are NO problems at this intersection!
NO safety problems, NO water problems & NO fish.**



Here is a Qwest cable being rerouted for the ghost fish



**Qwest contractors installing phone cable splice box to reroute Qwest phone cable
This took several men and several large machines 3 days work.
The work crew had no idea why they were doing it.
The City of Enumclaw has to also reroute a water line.**



This needless fish roundabout was not approved nor authorized by the local property owners owners affected.

1. **But it will cost us big time.**
2. **Our local main road is shut down for near a month.**
3. **There was no local meetings about this.**
4. **Nor were the rural property owners asked if they wanted it.**
5. **Nor was the City of Enumclaw tax payers asked.**
6. **The King County Council said nothing.**
7. **The King County DOT contact never replied to my email or set up a meeting**

Please see attached email from Ron Ewart www.narlo.org and Barb Lindsey of One Nation Nation United <http://www.onenationunited.org> which covers the background of this long string of government imposed usurping and meddling of private and public property. Check out both web sites and discover how government unconstitutional takes more of our our private and public property.

There is a long rope of government taking intertwined with many smaller cords of taking. Each level of government downstream becomes less effective in representing its people because of this intertwined tapestry of taking.

- **At the top of the taking is a non government special interest group**
- **Government at any levels are sued and bribed by special interest groups**

- U.S. government rather than saying NO pass pork barrel and extreme legislation not having a clue of the downstream consequences.
- Then the U.S. Congress extorts the States typically using DOT funding,
- The States rather than saying NO take the bribe,
- The States then write more strangling unconstitutional private property taking legislation extorting their counties and cities.
- The counties equally addicted, write more illegitimate private property taking regulations and codes further extorting the property owners.
- The cities in turn are even more addicted and beef up their codes and enforcement of tyrannical green takings
- The rural property owners slowly collapse from the weight of this coercive force
- The cities & counties rapidly Gerrymander & eminent domain progressively more rural more rural land around them
- The cities and counties fight for rural land for "best available revenue"
- i.e. they draw and quarter rural private property for their own future reserve of revenue revenue
- The rural areas are turned into socially engineered private property reserved ONLY for for government growth, e.g. cities, tribes, counties, state, federal, military.
- The rural property owners are brutalized by Gestapo code enforcement and green theme theme courts.
- Local government is rendered near "helpless"
 - Private property owners basic rights are ripped out
 - Individual freedom and liberty gradually disappear.
 - We are closer to Russian collective farms now, than early American post Revolution colonial independence
 - The profile of the beast is its increasing use of force to take increasing more tyrannical legislation, judication and administration.
 - The first head of the beast is driven by super wealth.
 - The beast starts to take on another head driven by social engineering colluding with the first head
 - Other heads of the beast grow to support more special interest and each other
 - Free choice is soon taken.
 - The America dream of individual freedom and liberty has been taken in two centuries by big government partnering with big business and social engineering agenda

"From its inception, the right of property in Russia became associated with the consolidation of the nobility's power over the peasants and the

abuse of the serf system.....The property rights bestowed by the tsarist regime became identified with its despotic authority."

Property And Freedom, pg. 196, Richard Pipes

Culvert ruling backs tribes

By Lynda V. Mapes

Seattle Times staff reporter

In a landmark decision more than 30 years in the making, a federal judge Wednesday ruled the state can't build or maintain road culverts that hurt fish passage or diminish fish populations because that violates tribal treaty rights to fish.

The case has broad implications to spur the pace and increase the cost of state culvert repairs already under way around Western Washington. The ruling by U.S. District Judge Ricardo S. Martinez, expected to be appealed, could also lead tribes to seek other habitat protections.

"This could be very big," said Mason Morisset, an attorney representing tribes in the case. "If it stands, you will see tribes assert themselves on a broad range of activities to protect the habitat. Whether it's clearing wetlands or building roads and developments ... , if we can show you are going to have a net loss of habitat, that is a treaty rights violation."

The judge posed no remedy in the decision; that's a step that will begin next week. Fixing more culverts faster is sure to be on the table. And that is going to be expensive.

"I'm not going to use the 'B' word, but it's millions of dollars," said Fronda Woods, assistant attorney general for the state of Washington, the defendant in the case.

The case pertains to fish habitat everywhere north of the Columbia River and west of the Cascade crest, affecting the treaty rights of about 20 tribes that brought the suit.

No state agency faces a bigger potential bill than the Department of Transportation, with about 800 culverts in Western Washington to fix.

"I have great concern from a budget perspective," said Paula Hammond, interim transportation secretary.

The agency has already spent \$40 million identifying and fixing problem culverts since 1991 and intends to spend \$69 million more over the next 12 years. Now it looks like that won't be enough.

"It's likely hundreds of millions of dollars of corrections that would need to be made," Hammond said. "We don't have those kinds of funds, and you have to weigh this against the costs for maintaining and preserving our existing infrastructure."

The ruling didn't speak to culverts built and maintained by local governments, raising questions about broader implications of the decision.

"What's next?" Hammond asked. "Think about a stream as it crosses a city street and a county road and a state highway as it makes its way to Puget Sound.

"It doesn't solve the problem unless you correct the whole corridor, and if we can't afford it at the state level, the local agencies certainly can't," Hammond said.

For tribes, the ruling was a long-awaited culmination of the original Boldt decision, U.S. vs. Washington. In that case, tribes sought not only affirmation of their treaty right to fish in their usual and accustomed places, but protection of habitat to ensure that fish would always be there to catch.

P.S. #2 Here is amphitheater "roundabout" for the tribe (MIT) and another example of government meddling and illegitimate taking of rural private property.



This was rural farm private property but with the right amount money and the right connections, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe bought the land, transferred it into the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs tribal trust, fired a protesting BIA manager. Then they proceeded proceeded to build a 20,000 seat outdoor amphitheater holding 40 some events a year. Gambling and entertainment big business are using tribal sovereignty to take private property all over America. Local Enumclaw people tried for years to stop it, but were stiffed by King County Council and the courts. This mess is 5 miles from me. They had over a dozen choices of sites not on the Enumclaw rural farm land plateau but they were allowed to take this one piece of rural private property. Yet we cannot use our land, clear our ditches, drain our fields, remodel our homes, subdivide our land for our relatives, etc.

P.S. #3. Here is another example of how King County Council and government meddles and extorts rural private property

"Picture a dairy farm with no dairy cows"...

King County Council sells a multimillion dollar bond to the King County citizens. Seattle citizens. Seattle voters and environmental extremists who do not live out here want to park park out the Enumclaw Plateau but do not want to pay for it themselves. So they raise the the money through a bond that everybody pays for the rest of their life to buy out the development rights of a few farms. They distort and misrepresent the wording and advertising in the bond measure. It is the primarily the green crowd in Seattle pushing these these unconstitutional takings. The dairy farm near me was given \$400,000 and has since gone out of business. Milk prices were too unstable. He sells off half the farm and contracts to stay alive and raises corn. All of which probably barely pay for the property taxes and his living expenses. This is government social engineering at its "finest".

This is why our Founding Fathers designed a limited government. These are just a few local local examples or how big government has created a long rope of takings of our constitutional and natural rights. Big government and big special interest are weaving a rope of taking that is hanging us all out to dry.

P.S. #4. The cities, with the help of Association of Washington Cities and State and counties grab rural farm land to grow their tax base.

- **Local inc. & uninc. towns eat up rural farm land for higher and best tax revenue while while they systematically,**
- **sue, fine, brutalize, jail, lien, trespass, extort property improvements upon tens of thousands of rural property owners.**
- **Then they use much of this money for their own inner city projects.**

- City of Renton soon grows out to Maple Valley,
- Maple Valley soon connects to Black Diamond,
- Black Diamond connects to Enumclaw,
- Enumclaw connects to Buckley,
- Buckley connects to Lake Wilderness & Lake Tapps & Sumner & Puyallup & Fife & Tacoma & Olympia
- Picture rural private property owners squeezed out of their life and their rights
- If you can't see this picture, come out here and I will show it to you
- This is the agenda of Washington State, County and City governments, Association of WA Cities, all of the green groups including the courts, the legislature and the executive.
 - e.g.
 - City of Enumclaw grabs half of Rainier Horse Stable directly on SR 169 with a traffic count of 12,000 a year for a middle school
 - and they take two 100 acre farms to sell to a developer to build \$350,000 cracker box homes 12 feet apart with no play ground for the kids,
 - now they are trying to eminent domain more rural farm land west of the city

It won't be long before there is no rural land because the local cities will take it for their own coffers. The Growth Management Act is not what you think. It is an unconstitutional unconstitutional taking of private property for the sole benefit of government at all levels PLUS their partners in crime, i.e. the green extreme groups and the green businesses.

Few will see the following:

- rural property owners cannot use their land or have only limited use,
- nor afford the insane and unconstitutional illegitimate taxes on private property including their wages,
- nor cannot sell their land at commercial value for their own retirement.
- nor tolerate the never ending escalation of illegitimate taxation without representation representation
- including zoning changes and DDES and county district and superior court Gestapo tactics.
- the media both conservative and liberal turn their mics away because their audience and funding are city based.

ACTION ITEMS

- Demand an open government including public disclosure of government and non government AGENDAS
- Demand policy changes stopping all government action against local private property owners
- Demand any government or non government action requires direct approval of the local local property owners.
- Demand a shift in government taking, to a government that respects and honors local communities first and foremost.
- Demand major changes in the county and state courts;
 - including Prosecuting Attorneys, District, Superior, Court of Appeals & Supreme Supreme Court Judges
 - oath of office to obey the State and U.S. Constitution must be beefed up to
 - Much stiffer penalties and easier prosecution
 - Judges and PA's must disclose any agenda they are given
 - Judges and PA's and their staff must be monitored and held personally accountable.
 - all property related violations must have strict limitations on penalties,
 - no open ended tampering of bail bond, jail time, avoidance of pleas, et al
 - Property Owners are witnessing District and Superior Court corruption especially especially in Pierce and King County
- Demand an INDEPENDENT whistle blower and watch dog groups inside all government departments that touch private property
- Demand expanded powers of the Attorney General's office to take complaints from citizens groups to investigate and prosecute any government corruption regarding private property takings.
- Demand stiff sentences against any government employee,
 - including stiff fines and imprisonment of government employees giving excessive code enforcement and
 - the same for all court personnel that violate & harasses the rights of private property owners
- Demand stiff sentences against any green extreme groups that pressure government at any level to exercise private property takings, e.g.
 - Washington Environmental Council, Futurewise, CELP, Nature Conservancy, Autobahn, etc.
- Demand government wide investigations of departments that are overly zealous of private property owners, e.g.
 - Pierce and King County court system
 - King and Pierce County code enforcement, DDES.

- King County Council extortion of unconstitutional permitting fees on top of unconstitutional property taxes.
- Demand new legislation allowing personal liability suits against any government employee who breeches his/her oath and code of conduit.
- Demand the establishment of a Independent Office of Freedom and Liberty at State and and county levels
 - where any government employee may be summoned and held accountable
 - before an independent group of private property owners and/or victims
 - from any acts including excessive legislation, regulations and enforcement upon private property owners.
- Demand impact statements on the basic constitutional rights of all impacted rural property owners.

The so called Growth Management Act, Critical Area Ordinance, Endangered Species Act, et al, are an environmental ponzi scheme, taking and redistributing basic God given, natural natural and constitutional rights from every honest man and women in America.

American government at all levels has become a deadly cancer against all our freedoms and and liberties. We have reached a flash point between the takers and the taken. Socialism and Communism in Washington State cannot coexist with free people.

"Russian servitors had no guarantees of personal rights, which is why they cannot be called called nobles: their landed estates, indeed their ranks and very lives, were dependent on the the goodwill of the tsar and his officials. No charters were issued to them before the modern modern era (1785) of the kind that were familiar in medieval Poland, Hungary, England and and Spain. From this point of view, the status of a Russian noble" was no different from that of the lowest commoner, and so it comes as no surprise that in addressing the tsar the highest dignitaries of the realm referred to themselves as his slaves. Land tenure entailed not so much rights as obligations, and there were even cases heavily punishable under a law law of 1642 of dvoriane trying to evade state service by bonding themselves as slaves to other landlords.

How extreme was the hostility of the Russian monarchy to private property can be seen from the fact that it refused to acknowledge as inviolate property even personal belongings, belongings, recognized as such by the most primitive societies. Russians had no certainty that government agents would not seize any object of value in their possession and forbid trade in any commodity by declaring it a state monopoly. Fletcher thus describes the anxiety he encountered among Russian merchants:

**"The great oppression over the poore Commons, maketh them to have no courage in following their trades: for that the more they have, the more daunger they are in, not onely onely of their goods, but of their lives also....." Property And Freedom, pg. 178-179
Richard Pipes**

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Rural & Watching
My Freedom & Liberties
Being Taken
Unjustly, ungodly, unnaturally,
And Unconstitutionally
Enumclaw, WA**

**"The wise man says, " I am looking for the truth," and the fool, "I have found the truth".
Russian Proverb**