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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Purpose: This amendment corrects information about the ways a member of the public can submit a public records request to the Washington state department of transportation. It also adds an alternative option for submitting a request.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 468-06-060.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: Chapter 42.56 RCW.

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 $\underline{\text{AMENDATORY SECTION}}$ (Amending WSR 19-24-068, filed 11/27/19, effective 12/28/19)

- WAC 468-06-060 Requesting public records. (1) Submitting a request. Requests for public records to the department or the commission can be made by:
- (a) Using the public disclosure request center((τ)) by ((clicking on the link on the website at http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Contact/PublicDisclosure, or)) going to https://wsdot.mycusthelp.com/WEBAPP/rs/supporthome.aspx; or
 - (b) Submitting a written request to the department that includes:
- (i) The name, address, telephone number, and email address of the person requesting the records;
 - (ii) The date and time of the request;
- (iii) A description of the public records sought adequate for the department to identify and locate all responsive records;
- (iv) Language stating that the request for records is intended as a public records request or a similar statement placing the department on fair notice that records are being sought under the ((PRA)) Public Records Act chapter 42.56 RCW; and

(v) A statement indicating whether copies $((\frac{\partial r}{\partial r}))$ of the records are sought or if the requestor wants to arrange to inspect records. Requests not submitted through the public disclosure request center identified in (a) of this subsection can be submitted via U.S. mail, hand delivery, email, or facsimile at:

Public Records Office Transportation Building 310 Maple Park Avenue S.E. P.O. Box 47410 Olympia, WA 98504-7410 Email: HQPDRCoordinators@wsdot.wa.gov Facsimile: 360-705-((6808)) 6805

- (2) A request not submitted in a manner identified in subsection (1) of this section will not be considered a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW, but will be responded to as an informal routine inquiry or a general request for information.
- (3) Requested production. Nonexempt records are available through inspection, paper copies, or electronic copies. The requestor should indicate the production preference and make arrangements to pay the fees, if any.