

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION
WASHINGTON ATTORNEY GENERAL**

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The Attorney General's Office seeks public input on the following opinion request(s).

01-08-01 Request by Randall Gaylord, San Juan County Prosecuting Attorney

- 1. May the county use tax revenues generated under RCW 82.14.370 to fund the purchase and/or installation of fiber optic cable and optical switching electronics by the local non-profit electrical cooperative for the purpose of extending broadband high-speed telecommunications to San Juan County?**
- 2. If the answer is no, does RCW 82.14.370 permit the funding, under any circumstance, of a facility which promotes economic development when the facility is owned by a private for profit or non-profit organization?**
- 3. If the answer to question 2 is no, does a grant of RCW 82.14.370 tax funds by the county to a private entity always require the same level of joint ownership or control as is required in a grant of lodging tax revenues as discussed in AGO 2000 No. 9?**

