



FERRY NEWSLETTER

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Washington State Ferry Rhododendron Returns to Pierce County

The 227-foot M/V Rhododendron is scheduled to arrive at the Steilacoom Ferry Dock on the evening of Monday, July 21, 2008 to service Anderson and Ketron Islands for the period of July 22, 2008 through July 29, 2008.

The Christine Anderson will proceed for this 8 day period to the Washington State Ferry yard at Bainbridge Island for upgrades and sea trials in preparation for the State leasing of the Christine Anderson in late September of 2008 and returning the newer Steilacoom II to Pierce County. The M/V Rhododendron carries up to 55 vehicles and can accommodate up to 546 passengers.

Schedule Changes

The Rhododendron is slightly slower than the Christine Anderson which means we will again be operating on a revised sailing schedule. The Temporary Schedule used in June will once again be in effect during this time frame. Please view the Temporary Schedule (shown) at

www.piercecountywa.org/ferry.

Receive Ferry Rider Alerts & Newsletters Via Email

The Pierce County **Rider Alerts** and **Newsletters** can be sent to your email automatically.

The Pierce County Rider Alert System was developed to inform riders of schedule and fare changes, Maritime Security level changes, and delays/closures for Anderson and Ketron Island Ferries.

The Ferry Newsletter was developed as a means for the Ferry Administrator to update Ferry Riders with current information in regards to the Ferry and its surrounding area.

How to Receive Notifications:

To subscribe to these notifications you can go to the Pierce County ferry website at: www.piercecountywa.org/ferry.

At the bottom of the Rider Alert box, click on the link "[Subscribe to our email alert system.](#)" At this page, you can choose any item to subscribe to. You will be asked to give an email address and a password. You can then check the boxes of whatever notifications you would like to receive.

This is a quick and easy way to keep updated on the Pierce County Ferry system. For more information on our notification system, please contact Kandace Thomas, Administrative Assistant at (253) 798-4205.

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Airport/Ferry Administrator

TEMPORARY SAILING SCHEDULE			
	LEAVE STEILACOOM	LEAVE KETRON	LEAVE ANDERSON
Mon-Fri Only	5:00 a.m.		5:40 a.m.
Every Day	6:20 a.m.	6:40 a.m.	7:05 a.m.
Every Day	7:40 a.m.		8:30 a.m.
Every Day	9:10 a.m.		9:50 a.m.
Every Day	10:30 a.m.		11:20 a.m.
Every Day	12:00 noon	12:20 p.m.	12:45 p.m.
NOTE: 12:00 noon, 12:20 p.m., and 12:45 p.m. runs CANCELED on the first and third Wednesdays of each month for fuel delivery to the islands.			
Every Day	2:10 p.m.		2:50 p.m.
Every Day	3:30 p.m.		4:10 p.m.
Every Day	4:50 p.m.	5:10 p.m.	5:40 p.m.
Every Day	6:30 p.m.		7:10 p.m.
Every Day	7:50 p.m.		8:30 p.m.
Every Day	9:10 p.m.		9:50 p.m.
Note: Dimensions and Weight Restrictions for the ferry "M/V Rhododendron" are:			
Maximum vehicle gross weight		67,500 pounds
Maximum vehicle height		13' 6"
Maximum vehicle width		8'
<i>We will not be able to accommodate vehicles that require an oversize permit during the period of this schedule.</i>			