



## Washington State Legislature

### DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

May 26, 2020

The Honorable Jay Inslee  
Governor, State of Washington  
PO Box 40002  
Olympia, WA 98504

Governor Inslee,

I am writing today asking you to give special consideration and priority to Point Roberts in Whatcom County in your Phased reopening guidelines. Point Roberts is the only exclave in the United States. It is part of our country that is only accessible by land and through the Canadian border. With current Covid-19 restrictions and the closure of the Canadian border, Point Robert is not only sealed off from our state but our country too. They have small businesses that are struggling to survive and could use any help given. All available data shows that Point Roberts should move to Phase 2 immediately.

Additionally, the Point Roberts Fire Department has tested over 300 residents with zero positive cases reported. For more information on their testing program, I encourage you to contact Fire Chief Chris Carleton at (360)-676-6934 or [chief@wcf5.com](mailto:chief@wcf5.com). Please follow through and approve Point Roberts for Phase 2.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Luanne".

Luanne Van Werven  
State Representative, 42<sup>nd</sup> District