A FEW KEY POINTS** for VEHICLE RESERVATIONS ON THE SAN JUANS/ANACORTES ROUTE

- Reservation accounts, Universal (individuals) or Executive (commercial) may be set up NOW. An account will speed up the reservation process, though reservations can be made without an account. www.wsdot,wa,gov/ferries
- Reservations may be made <u>on-line</u> or <u>by phone</u>.

Reservations require a credit card.

There is no charge to make a reservation. Ferry tickets are purchased separately..

Unlimited reservations, changes or cancellations may be made until 5 p.m. the day prior to sailing . Multiple reservations can be made at any one time.

One change or new reservation may be made after that, up to 3 hours before sailing..

Each vehicle reservation is for one way travel. Walk-ons, passengers, & bicycles do not need reservations.

- 3. Reservations may be booked starting at any one of three "releases":
 - 2 months before the chosen sailing, 30% of the vehicle spaces will be available;
 - 2 weeks before sailing, the next 30% of the spaces will be available;
 - 2 days before sailing, the next 30% of the spaces will be available;
 - The remaining 10% of the spaces will be for emergency vehicles, Medical Preferential Load persons, and drive-ups (no reservation)
- 4. Reservation holders must arrive in the ticket booth line between 30-90 minutes before sailing in order for their reservation to be honored.
- 5. It is not necessary to book a reservation, but it may be difficult to get on the chosen sailing during high-volume times...summer, holiday and weekend travel.
- 6. A <u>No-Show fee</u> will be charged if you do not travel on your reserved sailing, or any time within the same service day from the same terminal.
- 7. During <u>service disruptions</u> (cancellation of a ferry), those with reservations will be served on a first-come first-served basis, with priority over drive-ups. The no-show fee will not be charged.

Go to www.takeaferry.com for complete information about the reservation system..

**WSF will monitor the program, and make adjustments to these regulations when needed.

<u>Hint:</u> There are different "accounts" the WSF offers: for reservations, ticket purchase & ferry alerts. Use the same e-mail and password for all... easier to remember.

RESERVATIONS for VEHICLE TRAVEL on the WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES SAN JUANS/ANACORTES Route GUIDE to the WEBSITE

Starting <u>January 5, 2015</u>, reservations will take effect for vehicle travel between Anacortes and the San Juan Islands. Reservations may be made starting December 2, 2014.

Below is a "map" for the <u>WSF's website</u> to access all the documents, hows and whys concerning the vehicle reservation system:

<u>TakeaFerry.com</u>: this gets you directly to the "Save a Spot" information. or

Wsdot,wa,gov/Ferries Go to "Vehicle Reservations" under "Fares and Ticketing". click on the red, "click here to learn more", under "COMING SOON: Anacortes/San Juan Islands.."

Read the "What do I need to know" sections. It's advisable to read <u>FAQ Get Answers to Your Questions and Contact information</u> first.

- -Click <u>"FAQ-Get answers to your questions, PDF"</u> and/or "FAQ and Contact Information." Also <u>vehicle reservations to the San Juan Islands</u> and <u>"community partnership plan"</u> (for history behind the reservation system).
- -Click "How to make a vehicle reservation?" click the underlined "Create a reservation account, PDF".
- [**To set up the account, go to "Create a Reservation Account" on the Vehicle Reservations home page; for direct phone help setting up the account: web agent, at 205-515-3885. Accounts may be set up NOW]
- -Click the underlined "no-show fee, PDF"
- -Click "How far in advance can I make a reservation?", click the underlined <u>"reservation availability chart, PDF".</u> This explains the tiered release system.

Other aids:

- -Best Travel Times: find on the specific route Schedules page
- -Space Available (in real time): go to "Terminal Conditions, Anacortes" from the Ferries home page
- -<u>Ferry Alerts sign-up</u>: on Ferries home page.
- -ADA & Medical Travel: Home page lower left: "Customer Programs"

Further help, questions, comments, contact:

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