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**County to unveil alternatives for Granite
Falls Bridge**
***Public invited to April 19 event at Mountain Way
Elementary***

WHAT: Public meeting on Granite Falls Bridge #102
WHEN: April 19, 2001, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
**WHERE: Mountain Way Elementary School Gymnasium,
702 N. Granite Avenue, Granite Falls**

Snohomish County Public Works will present five design alternatives for the Granite Falls Bridge at its April 19 public meeting. The meeting is scheduled for 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Mountain Way Elementary School Gymnasium, 702 N. Granite Street.

Public Works staff will show drawings, provide cost and construction estimates, and present a list of pros and cons for each alternative. In addition, they will show a computerized simulation of projected traffic flow on the bridge.

The public will have a chance to look at graphics, ask questions and make comments on each of the proposed alternatives.

Councilmember Mike Ashley and representatives from the City of Granite Falls, Granite Falls School District and CSR also will be in attendance.

“We’ve made every effort to come up with a menu of feasible options,” says County Bridge Engineer Darrell Ash. “We haven’t had a lot of time since the last meeting (March 29) to do detailed studies,

but we wanted to get back to the community as quickly as possible with additional information and design alternatives. I believe we can come up with a workable solution to satisfy concerns about the bridge.”

The County is seeking interim improvements to the bridge while working on plans and funding for a future widening of the structure. That \$3-million to \$4-million project will include deck replacement, widening, cleaning and painting of structural steel.

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