

**RESOLUTION NO. 670**

**WHEREAS**, on December 19, 2002, the Washington State Transportation Commission designated The Palouse Scenic Byway, a byway beginning in Pullman and traveling south on SR 195 through Colton, and Uniontown to the Idaho border; and beginning in Pullman and traveling north on SR 27 through Palouse, Garfield, Oakesdale, and Tekoa; and beginning at the junction of US 195 and SR 270, traveling east through Pullman to the Idaho border; and beginning at Oakesdale and traveling north on SR 271 to Rosalia; and beginning at Rosalia and traveling south on SR 195 through Steptoe, and Colfax to Pullman; and beginning at Colfax and traveling west on SR 26 through Dusty and LaCrosse, and ending where the Palouse River crosses the Whitman County line; and

**WHEREAS**, per the requirements of RCW Chapter 47.39, the Washington State Legislature approved the designation of Palouse Scenic Byway in the 2003 session through the passage of SB 5937; and

**WHEREAS**, the byway organization has demonstrated broad based community support for extending designation of the byway to: Old SR 195 from SR 195 passing through Rosalia to the Whitman County Line; Hume Road between SR 27 and SR 195 leading to Steptoe Butte State Park; Scott Road, the southwest entrance road to LaCrosse; and Scharpenberg Road, the east entry to LaCrosse; and

**WHEREAS**, WSDOT has received official written requests for designation of these roads from all of the Whitman County Commissioners and the Towns of LaCrosse and Rosalia; and

**WHEREAS**, these four county roads were included in WSDOT's original assessment of criteria for the Palouse Scenic Byway in areas that exceeded requirements for designation; and

**WHEREAS**, designation of these roads would allow the byway organization to pursue National Scenic Byway funding for projects that improve the byway infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW Chapter 47.39 grants the final authority for designation of local roads to the Transportation Commission;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Transportation Commission adopt this resolution that designates the proposed county roads as additions to the Palouse Scenic Byway.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 2005.

**WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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