# WHATCOM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, County Executive

THROUGH: Elizabeth Kosa, Public Works Director

**FROM:** Cathy Craver, Senior Planner

**DATE:** February 6, 2024

**RE:** 2023-2025 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant Agreement with the

Washington State Department of Ecology (Agreement WQSWCAP-2325-

WhCoPW-00044)

Please find attached for your review a copy of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology for the 2023-2025 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant.

### **Requested Action**

Public Works requests the Whatcom County Council authorize the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology for the 2023-2025 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant in the amount of \$130,000.

### **Background and Purpose**

This is a non-competitive, reimbursable grant through the Washington State Department of Ecology. The 2023-2025 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant can be used to reimburse for activities associated with the Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit that have incurred since July 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025. The grant is intended to assist municipalities in meeting their Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit requirements. This is the ninth round of non-competitive capacity grant funding offered to Phase II permitees since the initial Permit in 2007.

### **Funding Amount and Source**

The grant agreement is for \$130,000. The grant will be used for expenses encumbered within the NPDES budget (10860.544410).

Please call Cathy Craver at extension 6299 if you have any questions regarding this grant agreement.

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