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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive, and The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council, collectively serving in their capacity as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors

THROUGH: Elizabeth Kosa, Interim Public Works Director

FROM: Gary Stoyka, Natural Resources Program Manager 
Ingrid Enschede, Program Specialist 

DATE: November 4, 2022

RE: 2023 Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Whatcom Conservation District for Domestic-Municipal Water Use Efficiency Project

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Executive, and the County Council, acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors, enter into an interlocal agreement with the Whatcom Conservation District (WCD) for the Domestic-Municipal Water Use Efficiency Project.

Background and Purpose

The Whatcom Water Alliance (WWA) is a partnership of Whatcom County water utilities that collaborates and coordinates on water conservation, supply, and delivery activities. In 2020, the WWA developed an Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance (EWWA) Program to support increased consistency and impact of water conservation messaging and activities across jurisdictions in Whatcom County with WCD staff support, Whatcom County financial support, and engagement from stakeholders across the county.

Implementation of a three-year EWWA Program Plan and Implementation Strategy for Domestic Water Use Efficiency in Whatcom County began in 2021. In 2023, the WCD will implement year three of the plan, evaluate the EWWA program, and develop a draft plan and implementation strategy for the next three years. Water conservation measures supported by this work will complement ongoing watershed management efforts in Whatcom County and Water Resource Inventory Area 1 (WRIA 1).

Funding Amount and Source

The total cost of this agreement is \$33,400 and is included in the 2023 Natural Resources Budget (cost center 169121).

Please contact Ingrid Enschede at extension 6229, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Encl.
Interlocal Agreement