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Memorandum

To: The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive and the Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through: Elizabeth Kosa, Director *ek*

From: Douglas W. Ranney II, P.E., County Engineer **DWR**
James E. Lee, P.E., Engineering Manager *JEL*

Date: January 20, 2026

Re: Ferry Boat Program Federal Funds for Lummi Island Ferry Operating Costs
Local Agency Agreement, Supplement No. 1

Enclosed for your review and signature are two (2) originals each of Supplement No. 1 to the Local Agency Agreement between the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Whatcom County.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council authorize the County Executive to supplement the existing agreement with WSDOT to obligate an additional \$1,536,333 in federal Ferry Boat Program (FBP) funds for Lummi Island Ferry operating costs.

Please sign in [blue ink](#) and return for further processing. We will provide a fully executed copy following signature by WSDOT.

Background and Purpose

This Local Agency Agreement Supplement will obligate 2023 and 2024 federal Ferry Boat Program funding awards. The funds will be used to cover a portion of Whatcom County's Lummi Island Ferry's operating costs, namely ferry staffing expenses.

Funding Amount and Source

This supplement will obligate an additional \$1,536,333 in federal ferry boat program funds and requires a 20% local match of \$384,083 coming from local funds.

Please contact James Lee (x6264) with any questions regarding this request.