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




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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County
Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors
The Honorable County Executive Satpal Singh Sidhu

THROUGH: Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director 

FROM: Gary S. Stoyka, Natural Resources Manager 
Chris Elder, Senior Watershed Management Planner 

RE: Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance Program Interlocal Agreement with
Whatcom Conservation District

DATE: January 6, 2021

Enclosed are two (2) originals of Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance Program Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone and Whatcom Conservation District for your review and signature.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Executive, and the County Council, acting as the Flood Control Zone District (FCZD) Board of Supervisors, enter into an interlocal agreement for the sum of \$50,000 with the Whatcom Conservation District, for the purpose of implementing the Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance Program.

Background and Purpose

The Whatcom Water Alliance (WWA) is a partnership of Whatcom County water utilities that collaborate and coordinate on water conservation, supply, and delivery activities. Over the past year the WWA, with the staff support of the Whatcom Conservation District, financial support from Whatcom County, and engagement from stakeholders across the county, developed an Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance Program to support increased consistency and impact of water conservation messaging and activities across jurisdictions. This agreement will provide for implementation of the Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance water conservation program in 2021 and will complement ongoing watershed management efforts in Whatcom County and Water Resource Inventory Area 1 (WRIA 1). The Whatcom Conservation District continues to provide exemplary support and is motivated to support implementation of this program.

Funding Amount and Source

This interlocal agreement is in the amount \$50,000. The Flood Control Zone District fund (Cost Center 169121) has adequate funds in the 2021 budget for this contract.