

**WHATCOM COUNTY  
EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE**

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**Jack Louws**  
County Executive

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Whatcom County Council members  
**FROM:** Jack Louws, County Executive  
**RE:** EDI Program - Interlocal Loan and Grant Agreement with  
The City of Blaine  
**DATE:** July 25, 2019

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Enclosed are two (2) originals of an Interlocal Loan and Grant Agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Blaine for your review and approval.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

On July 10, 2019, the EDI Board voted unanimously to recommend to Council to provide funding through the EDI Program for the City of Blaine's Gateway Regional Stormwater project.

The City of Blaine is ready to commence construction on this project. At their request, we are expediting the approvals process for both EDI fund approval (and supplemental budget approval) and approval of the Interlocal Loan and Grant Agreement. The EDI Board recommendations are being submitted for Council's consideration at the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting as a separate agenda item. If approved, we respectfully request your authorization for the County Executive to execute this agreement.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

\$2,650,000.00 will be drawn from the EDI Program's loan and grant program (\$1,766,666 loan and \$883,333 grant), which funding is derived from the Public Utilities Improvement Fund.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Enclosure