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MEMORANDUM

TO: Whatcom County Council

FROM: Kayla Schott-Bresler, Strategic Initiatives Manager

RE: Establishment of a Climate Action Fund

DATE: October 23, 2023

The attached ordinance, for introduction on November 8, 2023, establishes a new Whatcom County Climate Action Fund. This fund will be used to account for revenue and expenditures associated with climate action programs.

Establishing the Climate Action Fund will allow the Administration to better track grant revenue and expenditures associated with the County's climate action work, including work that crosses multiple county departments.

Initial investments in the fund will include climate action administration, match for state forestry grants, and sea level rise planning. Future activities could include solar upgrades to County buildings, EV charging, and other actions in line with the County's Climate Action Plan.

Please call Kayla Schott-Bresler with any questions (x5220).