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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Resolution amending the 2024 Flood Control Zone District and Subzones Budget, request no. 4, in the amount of \$207,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Supplemental no. 4 requests from the Flood Control Zone District Fund to appropriate \$207,000 from Natural Resources to Maintenance & Operation to complete construction design work for five culverts in the Black Slough area of the South Fork Nooksack watershed

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

06/18/2024 Council

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
06/04/2024	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee
	Aye:	7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, E	Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler
	Nay:)	
06/18/2024	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED F APPROVAL	OR
	Aye:	Byrd, Galloway, and Donova	n
	Nay:)	

Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

Nay: 0

Attachments: Proposed Resolution, EXHIBIT A Supplemental Budget Request

PROPOSED BY: Public Works INTRODUCTION DATE: 06/04/2024

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-031

(A resolution of the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

AMENDMENT NO. 4 OF THE 2024 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2024 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones was adopted November 21, 2023, with Resolution 2023-047; and,

WHEREAS, the District was initially awarded USEPA Natural Estuary Program grant funds of \$564,477 in 2024 to expedite the WRIA fish passage barrier remediation; and

WHEREAS, the District entered into a Memorandom of Agreement with other WRIA partners, such as the Lummi and Nooksack tribes, and Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife, in the Puget Sound region in order to complete the pre-design of five fish passage barriers by December 2025,

WHEREAS, the District has been awarded Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office grant funds of \$207,000 through the Brian Abbott Fish Barrier Removal Board to the WRIA fish passage barrier remediation in order to complete construction design work for five culverts in the Black Slough area of the South Fork Nooksack watershed; and

WHEREAS, the District will fund the \$40,500 local match requirement for the grant utilizing a portion of the previously awarded USEPA Natural Estuary Program grant funds and locally funded staff hours; and

WHEREAS, the modifications to the budget have been assembled here for deliberation by the Board of Supervisors,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors that the 2024 budget, as approved in Resolution 2023-047, is hereby amended, adding the following amounts to the budgets presented below and further described in Exhibit A of this resolution:

Flood Control Zone District Program	RCW Appropriation	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	Net Effect on Fund Balance
Natural Resources	Maintenance & Operation	207,000	(207,000)	-
		-		
Total Supplemental		<u>207,000</u>	(207,000)	-

WHATCOM COUNTY FCZD BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Barry Buchanan, Chair of Board of Supervisors

ADOPTED this 18th day of June , 2024

Dana Brown Davis, Council Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved by email/ C Quinn/5/22/24
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Supplemental Budget Request

Public Works	Natural Resources		
Supp'l ID # 4677 Fund 169	Cost Center 824001 Originator: Erika Douglas		
Expenditure Type: One-Time	Year 2 2024 Add'I FTE Add'I Space Priority	1	
Name of Request: Black Slov	ough Comprehensive Barrier Removals Design		
Name of Request: Black Slo	ough Comprehensive Barrier Removals Design		
	ough Comprehensive Barrier Removals Design 5/8/2024		
Name of Request: Black Slo			

Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
4334.0251	Wildlife Grant	(\$207,000)
6630	Professional Services	\$207,000
Request Tot	al	\$0

1a. Description of request:

Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District (FCZD) has been awarded a grant to complete construction ready designs and cost estimates for five culverts in the Black Slough area of the South Fork Nooksack watershed. This work will be coordinated with the Habitat Strategic Initiative Lead (HSIL) grant previously awarded to the County to expedite Whatcom County fish passage barrier remediation. This budget amendment will provide authority to implement this grant agreement.

1b. Primary customers:

Public Works Bridge and Hydraulics Division, Nooksack Indian Tribe, Lummi Nation, Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), neighbors and other community members including recreational and commercial fishers.

2. Problem to be solved:

The WRIA1 Salmonid Recovery Plan guides recovery of ESA listed chinook salmon, steelhead, bull trout, and other salmonid species in the Nooksack River and adjacent coastal streams. One component of the plan is correcting fish passage barriers that block access to tributary, floodplain, and estuary habitats. Whatcom County entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with Lummi Nation, Nooksack Indian Tribe, and WDFW in July 2023 stipulating how the county will correct these barriers. In response, Whatcom County created a fish passage group in Public Works to expedite this work. The FCZD has been awarded a grant to complete construction designs and cost estimates for five county-owned culverts in the Black Slough drainage.

3a. Options / Advantages:

This grant agreement provides funding to complete design work for Black Slough culverts with a \$40,500 match requirement. The HSIL grant and locally funded staff hours will meet match requirements.

3b. Cost savings:

This grant agreement provides \$207,000 in funding to complete design work for Black Slough culverts with a \$40,500 match requirement. The HSIL grant and locally funded staff hours will meet match requirements.

4a. Outcomes:

Whatcom County Public Works will contract with a consultant to prepare construction ready designs and cost estimates for 5 culvert replacements in the Black Slough drainage.

4b. Measures:

The designs and cost estimates will be completed and submitted to the granting agency.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

County staff will seek technical review from Lummi Nation, Nooksack Indian Tribe, and WDFW.

Supplemental Budget Request

Public Works	Natural Resources		
Supp'LID # 4677 Fund 169	Cost Center 824001	Originator: Erika Douglas	

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

John Thompson, Senior Planner

6. Funding Source:

Brian Abbott Fish Barrier Removal Board through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (C# 202404019)

Wednesday, May 08, 2024 Rpt: Rpt Suppl Regular