



Jon Hutchings
Director

MEMORANDUM

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

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director

From: James P. Karcher, P.E., County Engineer *gpk*
James Lee, P.E., Engineering Manager *JEL*

Date: April 7, 2020

Re: Flynn Road Fishtrap Creek Bridge No. 51 Repair Project, Bid No. 20-17
Construction Contract for Award

Attached for your review and signature is the standard construction contract award package for the Flynn Road Fishtrap Creek Bridge No. 51 Repair project, CRP 920014. This package consists of the approval for contract award, bid tabulation and low bid proposal.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council authorize the County Executive to approve award of this contract to Combined Construction, Inc. by executing the attached Approval for Contract Award. Upon receipt of the signed Approval for Contract Award form, Public Works will submit the construction contract to the County Executive for contract execution.

Background and Purpose

Bid proposals for the project were opened at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 2020. A total of nine (9) responsive bids were received, with **Combined Construction, Inc.** being the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$38,434.50.

The Flynn Road Fishtrap Creek Bridge No. 51 is an all timber structure built in 1988 with a span of 36-feet. During a routine inspection in 2019 rot was observed in three (3) of the eight (8) timber stringers. In response to this a new load rating was completed which required a 5-ton weight restriction be implemented. Work under this contract will provide for placement of three (3) new steel I-beams and associated work to strengthen the bridge. This repair project will allow the 5-ton weight restriction to be lifted.

This agenda item and associated repair project is considered essential as the current weight restriction of 5-tons limits the movement of goods and freight in this area. More specifically, the weight restriction limits the movement of equipment and supplies needed to support on-going agricultural activities that occur in this area.

Funding Amount and Source

This contract is funded with road funds and there is sufficient budget authority for this expenditure. Please contact James Lee at extension 6264 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this contract.

In accordance with W.C.C. 3.08.030, I concur with this recommendation:

Sara Winger, Purchasing Coordinator

Date