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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors

**THROUGH:** Elizabeth Kosa, Interim Director

**FROM:** Erika Douglas, Environmental Programs Manager   
Austin Rose, Planner I, Natural Resources

**DATE:** December 1, 2022

**RE:** State of Washington Department of Ecology One Time Grant Program Agreement OTGP-2023-WhCoPW-00011

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Please find enclosed for your review a copy of interagency agreement OTGP-2023-WhCoPW-00011 between the State of Washington Department of Ecology and Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District to support the Marine Resources Committee (MRC). The authorized agreement will be signed electronically through DocuSign.

**Requested Action**

Public Works respectfully requests that the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors authorize the County Executive to sign the interagency agreement between the State of Washington Department of Ecology and the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District to support Whatcom Marine Resources Committee (MRC) Operations and Projects.

**Background and Purpose**

This one time grant agreement will fund additional administrative and technical support and action projects for the Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee. Projects include an education and outreach campaign about the importance of eelgrass, focusing on Wildcat Cove in Larrabee State Park, and a facilitated Whatcom MRC retreat expected in March 2023.

**Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this grant comes from the fiscal year 2022 Congressionally Directed Spending. This grant agreement with Washington Department of Ecology provides \$75,846.00 for administrative and technical support to the MRC and to implement action projects. No match is required.

Please contact Austin Rose at extension 6286 or Erika Douglas at extension 6294, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

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