

**WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT  
INFORMATION SHEET**

Whatcom County Contract No.  
**202209020**

Originating Department:	Public Works
Division/Program: (i.e. Dept. Division and Program)	Natural Resources - 907010
Contract or Grant Administrator:	Gary Stoyka
Contractor's / Agency Name:	PUD #1 of Whatcom County
Is this a New Contract?    If not, is this an Amendment or Renewal to an Existing Contract?    Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Amendment or Renewal, (per WCC 3.08.100 (a)) Original Contract #: _____	
Does contract require Council Approval?    Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If No, include WCC: _____ Already approved? Council Approved Date: _____ (Exclusions see: Whatcom County Codes 3.06.010, 3.08.090 and 3.08.100)	
Is this a grant agreement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, grantor agency contract number(s): _____ CFDA#: _____	
Is this contract grant funded? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, Whatcom County grant contract number(s): _____	
Is this contract the result of a RFP or Bid process?    Contract _____ Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, RFP and Bid number(s): _____ Cost Center: 169121	
Is this agreement excluded from E-Verify?    No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If no, include Attachment D Contractor Declaration form.	
If YES, indicate exclusion(s) below: <input type="checkbox"/> Professional services agreement for certified/licensed professional. <input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than \$100,000. <input type="checkbox"/> Contract for Commercial off the shelf items (COTS). <input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than 120 days. <input type="checkbox"/> Work related subcontract less than \$25,000. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interlocal Agreement (between Governments). <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works - Local Agency/Federally Funded FHWA.	
Contract Amount:(sum of original contract amount and any prior amendments): \$ 16,000 This Amendment Amount: \$ _____ Total Amended Amount: \$ _____	Council approval required for; all property leases, contracts or bid awards <b>exceeding \$40,000</b> , and professional service contract amendments that have an increase greater than \$10,000 or 10% of contract amount, whichever is greater, <b>except when:</b> 1. Exercising an option contained in a contract previously approved by the council. 2. Contract is for design, construction, r-o-w acquisition, prof. services, or other capital costs approved by council in a capital budget appropriation ordinance. 3. Bid or award is for supplies. 4. Equipment is included in Exhibit "B" of the Budget Ordinance 5. Contract is for manufacturer's technical support and hardware maintenance of electronic systems and/or technical support and software maintenance from the developer of proprietary software currently used by Whatcom County.
Summary of Scope: Interlocal agreement with Public Utility District No. of Whatcom County to provide funding to complete a Regional Water Supply Plan for Whatcom County.	
Term of Contract:	Expiration Date: 12/15/22

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| Contract Routing: | 1. Prepared by: Gary S. Stoyka                             | Date: 7/28/22   |
|                   | 2. Attorney signoff: Christopher Quinn                     | Date: 7/28/2022 |
|                   | 3. AS Finance reviewed: M Caldwell                         | Date: 7/28/22   |
|                   | 4. IT reviewed (if IT related):                            | Date: _____     |
|                   | 5. Contractor signed: <span style="color:blue;">✓</span>   | Date: 8-9-22    |
|                   | 6. Submitted to Exec.: <span style="color:blue;">✓</span>  | Date: 9-19-22   |
|                   | 7. Council approved (if necessary): AB2022-462             | Date: 9-13-22   |
|                   | 8. Executive signed: <span style="color:blue;">✓</span>    | Date: 9-19-22   |
|                   | 9. Original to Council: <span style="color:blue;">✓</span> | Date: 9-21-22   |

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT AND  
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF WHATCOM COUNTY  
Regional Water (WRIA 1) Water Supply and Management Plan  
Financial Support**

**THIS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District, referred to herein as "FCZD", 322 N. Commercial Street, Bellingham, WA 98225, and the Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County (Whatcom PUD), 1705 Trigg Road, Ferndale, WA 98248,

**Recitals**

**WHEREAS**, development of a Regional (WRIA 1) Water Supply and Management Plan (RWSP) is a crucial component of an overall plan to meet the water needs of Whatcom County and is integral in developing comprehensive solutions to many of our water and environmental challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, the Whatcom PUD was awarded a grant by the Puget Sound Partnership (PSP) (See Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant # 19-14467 referred to herein as the "RWSP Grant") through the National Estuary Program to develop the RWSP; and

**WHEREAS**, Whatcom PUD is managing the RWSP Grant on behalf of the WRIA 1 Watershed Management Board (WMB) which is represented by Whatcom County, all cities of Whatcom County, Lummi Nation; Nooksack Indian Tribe, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Whatcom PUD; and

**WHEREAS**, the technical work included in Phase 1 of the RWSP Grant was completed in 2021 and the work under Phase 2 of the grant is underway with a completion date specified in the RWSP Grant as December 15, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, additional activities are needed to complete Phase 2 of the RWSP that are not covered by current RWSP Grant funds that are set forth as the amended Phase 2 in Tasks 4 and 6 of the RWSP Grant (those additional activities are referred to herein as "Amended Phase 2"); and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that an additional \$16,000 in funding is needed to complete Amended Phase 2 of the RWSP; and

**WHEREAS**, Whatcom PUD and FCZD believe that completion of the full RWSP scope of work is crucial to developing a plan to provide adequate water for Whatcom County's municipal, domestic, industrial and commercial needs, and additionally, to ensure adequate stream flows for fish and other wildlife, and is therefore in the interest of the residents of Whatcom County.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and the Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County (Whatcom PUD) agree as follows:

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**Whatcom PUD Responsibilities:** The Whatcom PUD will manage the RWSP Grant in accordance to the RWSP Grant Statement of Work through the completion of the Amended Phase 2. FCZD will contribute the amount of Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00) ("Payment") towards the Project cost. Payment will be a lump sum, payable to Whatcom PUD upon receipt of an invoice after the Project is complete as determined by Whatcom PUD. The FCZD shall have no obligation or authority related to the implementation of the Project or the Work, as those terms are defined in this Agreement.

**FCZD Responsibilities:** Upon completion, the FCZD agrees to provide up to \$16,000 to support the Amended Phase 2 of the RWSP ("Work" or "Project", as referred to herein, is the completion of Amended Phase 2 of the RWSP Grant as defined in the Recitals above). The Whatcom PUD is solely obligated to manage the Work. The Whatcom PUD shall expeditiously complete the Project, pursuant to applicable laws, regulations and policies, on or before December 15, 2022. ("Project Completion Date").

**Term:**

This agreement shall be effective \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 and shall continue until Project completion and final payment. If the Whatcom PUD does not complete the work by the RWSP Grant completion date, which may be extended or amended, this Agreement shall automatically terminate, and the FCZD shall not be obligated to make the Payment.

**Responsible Persons:** The persons responsible for administration of this Agreement shall be the Whatcom County Natural Resources Program Manager and the General Manager of Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County or their respective designees.

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Chris Heimgartner  
General Manager  
Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County  
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**LEGAL RELATIONS**

In performing the services outlined in this Agreement, neither party is acting as the agent or employee of the other; rather, each party is acting as an independent contractor. Each party agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless as to all claims for damages arising out of activities it undertakes arising out of this Agreement.

**LIABILITY**

The Whatcom PUD agrees to hold harmless, defend and indemnify the FCZD from any claims, damages or liabilities arising out of the acts or omissions of the Whatcom PUD, its staff members and its contractors in the performance of this Agreement. Likewise, the FCZD agrees to hold harmless defend and indemnify the Whatcom PUD from any claims, damages or liabilities arising out of the acts or omissions of the FCZD and its staff members and its contractors in the performance of this Agreement.

**MODIFICATIONS**

The terms of this Agreement may be changed, modified, amended or waived only by written agreement executed by the Parties hereto. Waiver or breach of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not be considered a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach.

**APPLICABLE LAW**

In the performance of this Agreement, it is mutually understood and agreed upon by the Parties hereto that this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Washington, both as to interpretation and performance, and the venue of any action arising herefrom shall be in the Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for Whatcom County.

**SEVERABILITY**

In the event any term or condition of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other terms, conditions, or applications of this Agreement that can be given effect without the invalid term, condition, or application. To this end the terms and conditions of this Agreement are declared severable.

**ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is a complete expression of the terms hereto and any oral representation or understandings not incorporated herein are excluded.

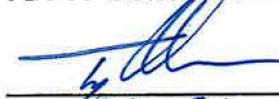
EXECUTED this 9 day of August, 2022 for **PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT No. 1 of WHATCOM COUNTY**

  
Chris Heimgartner  
General Manager  
Date 8/9/22

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Jon Sitkin  
Legal Counsel for Whatcom PUD  
Date 8/9/22

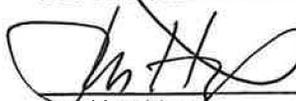
**WHATCOM COUNTY  
FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT**

  
~~Satpal Singh Sidhu~~  
Tyler Schroeder  
Whatcom County Executive  
Deputy  
Date 9/19/22

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

C. Quinn per email 9-19-22 /SM  
Christopher J. Quinn  
Senior Assistant Deputy Prosecuting Attorney  
for Whatcom County  
Date

**DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL:**

  
Jon Hutchings  
Public Works Director  
Date 9/15/22

**WHATCOM COUNTY  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**WHATCOM COUNTY  
EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE**

**TO:** The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive, and the  
Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District (FCZD) Board of Supervisors

**THROUGH:** Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director

**FROM:** Gary S. Stoyka, Natural Resources Manager 

**RE:** Interlocal Agreement with Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County for  
Supplemental Funding of Regional Water Supply Plan Preparation

**DATE:** July 29, 2022

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**Requested Action**

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Executive, and the County Council, acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors, enter into an interlocal agreement for the sum of \$16,000 with Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County (PUD), for the purpose of developing and implementing a collaborative water solutions table.

**Background and Purpose**

The PUD is a member of the Water Resources Inventory Area (WRIA) 1 Watershed Management Board and has been an active participant in regional watershed planning activities for more than 25 years. The WRIA 1 Watershed Management Board has developed a five-year implementation strategy that outlines work to be done from 2018 to 2023 to continue to make progress on resolving our water challenges. The PUD has taken the lead on the development of a Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP) for all of WRIA 1 that will outline strategies and actions to address our collective water supply needs. The RWSP will benefit all residents of Whatcom County, most of which are not customers of the PUD. The PUD was awarded a grant from the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) through the National Estuary Program to prepare the RWSP. During the process of the developing the RWSP, the PUD identified needed work that is not currently funded in the WDFW grant. This work consists of quantifying current and future water needs and analyzing water supply alternatives. PUD pursued and was awarded additional grant funding for this work, but it was not sufficient to fund all of it. This work is necessary to complete the RWSP by the end of 2022. A delay in the preparation of the RWSP would likely impact other watershed planning activities currently underway or planned. The PUD does not currently have access to funds to complete this work. The Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District included \$250,000 in the 2022 FCZD budget to be used for the advancement of collaborative water planning processes. The work included under this agreement is consistent with the purpose of these funds.

**Funding Amount and Source**

The interlocal agreement is not to exceed \$16,000. There are sufficient funds in the 2022 FCZD budget to fund this agreement.

Please contact Gary Stoyka at extension 6218 for any clarification or additional information on the agreement and the associated project.