

**WHATCOM COUNTY
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Memorandum

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

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director *JH*

From: James P. Karcher, P.E., County Engineer *gpk*
Doug Burghart, Interim Engineering Manager *DB*

Date: February 24, 2021

Re: **South Pass Rd. 2020 Flood Damage Repairs CRP 921007
Local Agency Agreement and Federal Aid Project Prospectus**

Enclosed for your review and signature are one (1) original of the Local Agency Agreement and two (2) originals of the Project Prospectus between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for the above-referenced project.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council authorize the County Executive to enter into the attached Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus with WSDOT to receive federal funding for this project.

Please keep one original of the Project Prospectus for your files and return the other original to my office as it requires no signatures from WSDOT. Please return the original of the Local Agency Agreement to my office for further processing. We will return the fully executed original once they are signed by WSDOT (currently doing electronic signatures).

Background and Purpose

During the February 2, 2020 flood and sustained rain event, South Pass Rd. sustained structural damage. This Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus are required to obligate federal funds so that preliminary engineering work can begin on the structural repairs on South Pass Rd. This project is listed as Item No. 25 on the 2021 Annual Construction Program.

Funding Amount and Source

Whatcom County has been awarded \$380,470.00 in federal Emergency Relief (ER) funds for this project. These federal funds require a 13.5% local match, which brings the total project cost to \$439,850.00. This Local Agency Agreement obligates \$72,000 in preliminary engineering funds (\$62,280 federal, \$9,720 local).

Please contact Doug Burghart at extension 6277 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.