



MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director

RE: Washington State Department of Ecology – 2021-2023 Pollution Prevention Assistance Agreement

DATE: August 10, 2021

Attached is an Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) for your review and signature.

- **Background and Purpose**
The Local Source Control (LSC) Partnership, which is overseen by the WA State Department of Ecology Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program, provides support to local government efforts in the Puget Sound Region to control, reduce, and eliminate toxic pollution sources. This Agreement provides funding for the Health Department's Pollution Prevention Assistance Specialist to provide technical assistance and education outreach to small businesses in an effort to promote pollution prevention practices and protect Puget Sound marine water quality.
- **Funding Amount and Source**
Funding for this Agreement is provided by the Department of Ecology in the amount of \$293,568. These funds will be included in the 2021 budget. Council approval is required per RCW 39.34.030(2) for agreements between public agencies.
- **Differences between Previous Contracts**
Over the previous 2-year Agreement ending on 6/30/2021 (201907027), this 2-year Agreement:
 1. Increases funding by \$34,863;
 2. Updates Whatcom County's contract manager and key program staff;
 3. Revises Unique Program Elements to include a) participation in an All-Staff Planning Committee and Stormwater Phase II Permittee Advisory Committee and b) updated performance measures and reporting requirements for the EnviroStars Program;
 4. Reduces the number of technical assistance total/initial visits from 350/210 to 300/180;
 5. Adds Section IV. Partnership Branding and Outreach, Section XI. Voucher Program and Section XII. Resources.

Please contact Jennifer Hayden, Environmental Health Supervisor at 360-778-6036 (JHayden@co.whatcom.wa.us) or Kathleen Roy, Assistant Director at 360-778-6007 (KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us), if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

