



MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, County Executive for
The Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and
The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

THROUGH: Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director

FROM: Kraig Olason, Stormwater Program Manager

DATE: April 19, 2022

RE: Design Contract with Parametrix, Inc. for Cottonwood Drive Stormwater
Inlet Repairs Project

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Executive and the Whatcom County Council enter into a contract for services between Parametrix and Whatcom County for the sum of \$55,523.27, for the purpose of providing design services for repairs to a stormwater inlet structure on Cottonwood Drive that was damaged due to the catastrophic storms in November 2021. This project was not included in the Six-Year Water Resources Improvement Plan adopted by Council in 2021. This is a request for approval of the design contract and the project.

Background and Purpose

During the recent flooding in Whatcom County, an inlet structure near 8143 Cottonwood Drive overtopped, causing erosion of the berm downstream of the overflow structure. Temporary repairs have been completed, which will provide downstream protection until final improvements are constructed. This contract will allow Parametrix to provide design services and construction bid documents associated with a permanent repair of the berm and additional drainage improvements on the paved areas west of the pipe inlet/overflow structure.

Funding Amount and Source

This contract will be funded by existing authority in the BBWARM district budget (cost center 9259017001, work order 23333). It is anticipated that a large percentage of the overall cost (~95%) will be reimbursed by FEMA for Incident 21-4321 (2021 November Floods).

Please contact Kraig Olason at extension 6301 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Encl.