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MEMORANDUM

To:

The Honorable Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive, and

Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through:

Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director

From:

Joseph P. Rutan, P.E., County Engineer/Assistant Director

James E. Lee, P.E., Engineering Manager

Date:

January 29, 2019

Re:

Swift Creek Sediment Management Action Plan (SCSMAP) Implementation

Engineering Services Contract Supplement No. 1 with Herrera Environmental

Enclosed for your review and signature are two (2) originals of a Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement Supplement between Whatcom County and Herrera Environmental Consultants, Inc.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council authorize the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement with Herrera Environmental Consultants, Inc. (Herrera) for professional engineering services to implement the Swift Creek Sediment Management Action Plan Projects (SCSMAP).

Background and Purpose

Herrera has successfully completed the first phase of work under this contract which included initial background research, site visits, identification of data gaps, and establishment of project goals for the implementation of SCSMAP projects.

This multi-year contract amendment includes analysis support for the Swift Creek Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Sediment Repositories as well as preliminary design of the SCSMAP capital projects, interim channel conveyance improvements, and interim stockpile site development. Herrera was selected through Request for Proposals (RFP# 18-42).

Funding Amount and Source

The original contract amount is \$39,719.78, this not-to-exceed supplement increases the contract by \$966,275.20 for a new total of \$1,005,994.98. Washington State, through the Department of Ecology has approved funding of a \$1 million grant (#2018-09003) for this project and an additional \$3 million has been approved for future use from the State Building Construction account. Whatcom County Council approved ordinance #2018-208 on July 24, 2018 to establish the Swift Creek Sediment Management Fund and budget. There is sufficient budget authority for the work planned for 2019.

Please contact Christina Schoenfelder (ext. 6274) if you have any questions regarding this request.