

**WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT
INFORMATION SHEET**

Whatcom County Contract No.

202508031-1

Originating Department:	Executive
Division/Program: (i.e. Dept. Division and Program)	Emergency Medical Services
Contract or Grant Administrator:	Deborah Arthur
Contractor's / Agency Name:	Whatcom County Fire District #7

Is this a New Contract? If not, is this an Amendment or Renewal to an Existing Contract? Yes No If Amendment or Renewal, (per WCC 3.08.100 (a)) Original Contract #: 202508031

Does contract require Council Approval? Yes No

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 No If yes, grantor agency contract number(s): _____ ALN: _____

Complete ALN field if contract involves direct federal grants/ cooperative agreements or pass-through federal funds.

Is this contract grant funded?

Yes No If yes, Whatcom County grant contract number(s): _____

Is this contract the result of a RFP or Bid process?

Yes No If yes, RFP and Bid number(s): _____ Contract _____ Cost Center: 12401001

Is this agreement excluded from E-Verify? No Yes 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goods and services provided due to an emergency
<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):

\$ 345,537.16

This Amendment Amount:

\$ 149,951.00

Total Amended Amount:

\$ 495,488.16

Summary of Scope:

Council approval required for; all property leases, all Interlocal agreements, **contracts or bid awards exceeding \$75,000**, and **grants exceeding \$40,000** and professional service contract amendments that have an increase greater than \$10,000 or 10% of contract amount, whichever is greater, **except when:**

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.

This Amendment increases the maximum consideration by \$149,951 for the countys reimbursement of up to two (2) laterals for WCFD7, resulting in a new total contract amount of \$495,488.16.

Term of Contract: January 1, 2026

Expiration Date: March 31, 2027

Contract Routing:	1. Prepared by: <u>Melissa Rodriguez</u>	Date: <u>11/20/2025</u>
	2. Attorney signoff: <u>Brandon Waldron</u>	Date: <u>11/21/2025</u>
	3. AS Finance reviewed: <u>Andrew Tan</u>	Date: <u>11/21/2025</u>
	4. IT reviewed (if IT related): <u>n/a</u>	Date: <u></u>
	5. Contractor signed: <u>12/10/2025</u>	Date: <u></u>
	6. Executive contract review: <u>Jlogan</u>	Date: <u>12/10/2025</u>
	7. Council approved, if necessary: <u>AB2025-853</u>	Date: <u>12/09/2025</u>
	8. Executive signed: <u>SSidhu</u>	Date: <u>12/12/2025</u>
	9. Original to Council: <u></u>	Date: <u></u>

WHATCOM COUNTY

Emergency Medical Services
1500 N. State St., Suite 205
Bellingham, WA 98225



MEMORANDUM

To: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
From: Deborah Arthur, EMS Manager
Re: 2026 Contract Amendment: Whatcom County Fire District 7
Date: November 20, 2025

Dear Executive Sidhu,

Please find enclosed the contract amendment for your consideration and approval.

Background and Purpose

Whatcom County Fire Protection District 7: Addition of Lateral Paramedic Training Funding to contract C#202508031

Whatcom County Fire District 7 (WCFD7) has identified a strong lateral paramedic candidate for 2026 and has a second potential candidate expected later in the training cycle. To meet these needs, this amendment to Contract C#202508031 adds funding for up to two (2) lateral paramedic hires in 2026.

This amendment increases the maximum contract amount by \$149,951, resulting in a new total contract value of \$495,488.16.

(See contract amendment for details.)

Funding Amounts and Source

Amendment is funded through the EMS Levy Fund 12401001 and is consistent with the EMS Levy Plan (2023–2028).

Summary of Requested Actions

WCEMS Administration respectfully requests approval of the following amendment:

1. Amendment to the WCFD7 Contract (C#202508031)
 - Adds reimbursement for up to two lateral paramedics
 - Increases total contract by \$149,951
 - Adds new Exhibit C section for lateral program funding

Please contact Deborah Arthur at (360) 927-1155 or darthur@co.whatcom.wa.us with any questions regarding this request or the associated contracts.

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202508031-1

AMENDMENT ONE
CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND
Whatcom County Fire Protection District #7

THIS AMENDMENT is to the Contract between Whatcom County and Whatcom County Fire Protection District #7, dated January 1, 2026, and designated "Whatcom County Contract No 202508031. In consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived, the parties agree to the following:

This Amendment increases the maximum consideration by \$149,951 for the county's reimbursement of up to two (2) laterals for WCFD7, resulting in a new total contract amount of \$495,488.16.

Lateral Hire. Whatcom County Fire Protection #7 also provides on-the-job training to state-certified paramedics hired by the Whatcom County Fire Protection #7 as lateral hires. Lateral paramedics are experienced and certified paramedics who are hired by the Whatcom County Fire Protection #7. Lateral Paramedics must be further trained and certified to work in Whatcom County by the Whatcom County Medical Program Director. This process typically takes approximately four (4) months; however, this onboarding training and evaluation can take as long as six (6) months.

Funding. The County shall provide funding for the 2026 Lateral Hire training program on a reimbursement basis.

This Amendment also adds the following to the Scope of Work, Exhibit C:

Exhibit C
Funding for the 2026 Lateral Hire Training Program

The County shall provide reimbursement funding for up to 2 lateral paramedic hires in 2026 as follows:

	Per month, per lateral	6-month cost per lateral	6-month cost for 2 laterals
Trainee Wages	\$11,675	\$70,047	\$140,094
Preceptor Fees	\$611.00	\$3,666	\$7,332
Evaluation fees	\$210	\$1,262	\$2,525
Total	\$12,496	\$74,975	\$149,951

Invoicing & Payment

- a. Whatcom County Fire Protection District #7 may invoice the County for reimbursable costs by the 15th of the month following the month in which the expenses were incurred.
- b. Payment shall be made within 30 days of receipt of a proper invoice.

Unless specifically amended by this agreement, all other terms and conditions of the original contract shall remain in full force and effect.

This Amendment takes effect: January 1, 2026, regardless of the date of signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Whatcom County and District 7 have executed this Amendment on the date and year below written.
Dated this day of, 12/12/2025 2025

Each person signing this Amendment represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has the legal capacity to execute and deliver this addendum.

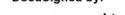
Whatcom Fire Protection District No. 7:

Signed by: Ben Boyko E992C2A2122A4E1 12/10/2025
Ben Boyko, Fire Chief

Signed by: Kendra Cristelli 12/10/2025
32A028A0CFC39A496 Kendra Cristelli, Board Chair

Whatcom County: Recommend for Approval:

Brandon Waldron 11/21/2025
Brandon Waldron, Prosecuting Attorney

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Satpal Sidhu
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12/12/2025

Approved:
Accepted for Whatcom County
Satpal Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive