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MEMORANDUM

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

THROUGH: Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director *JH*

FROM: Kraig Olason, Stormwater Program Manager *KO*
Ingrid Enschede, Program Specialist *IE*

DATE: January 27, 2020

RE: Amendment to 2019 Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County and
the Whatcom Conservation District for Lake Whatcom Homeowner
Incentive Program Assistance

Requested Action

Enclosed are two (2) originals of Amendment No. 1 to the 2019 interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Whatcom Conservation District (District) for your review and signature. This agreement is for technical assistance and implementation support for the Lake Whatcom Homeowner Incentive Program (HIP).

Background and Purpose

HIP is a joint City of Bellingham and Whatcom County non-regulatory program that provides technical assistance and financial incentives to homeowners who voluntarily install stormwater best management practices (BMP) that reduce phosphorus loading from their property to Lake Whatcom. The District is providing technical assistance to homeowners participating in HIP to facilitate design and installation of BMPs. In addition, the District provides program support as needed for critical areas assessment, database management, outreach, and other program-specific administrative tasks.

This amendment adds additional budget to extend the existing scope of work through the end of 2020, the end of the budget cycle.

Funding Amount and Source

The total cost of this agreement is \$316,883 and is included in the 2020 Stormwater Budget (cost center 123211). Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham have an interlocal agreement (contract #201909004) to fund HIP wherein Whatcom County provides the first \$100,000 in funding each year and the City of Bellingham reimburses Whatcom County for costs exceeding \$100,000.

Please contact Ingrid Enschede at extension 6229, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Encl.