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Memorandum

To:

The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive, and

The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through:

Jon Hutchings, Director

From:

James P. Karcher, P.E., Interim County Engineer

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

Date:

March 9, 2020

Re:

Goshen Road/Anderson Creek Bridge No. 248 Replacement; CRP No. 920003

Local Agency Agreement and Federal Aid Project Prospectus

Enclosed for your review and signature are two (2) originals of the Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for the above-referenced project.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council authorize the County Executive to enter into the attached Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus with WSDOT to receive federal funding for this project.

Please keep one original of the Project Prospectus for your files and return the other original to my office as it requires no signatures from WSDOT. Please return **both** originals of the Local Agency Agreement to my office for further processing. We will return a fully executed original once they are signed by WSDOT.

Background and Purpose

The existing Goshen Road Bridge No. 248 is considered structurally deficient and has deteriorating girders, pile caps and piles. This Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus are required to obligate federal funds so that preliminary engineering work can begin on a replacement for this bridge. This project is listed as Item No. 28 on the 2020 Annual Construction Program.

Funding Amount and Source

Whatcom County has been awarded \$4,019,960.00 in federal bridge replacement funds for this project. These federal funds require a 20% local match, which brings the total project cost to \$5,074,950.00. This Local Agency Agreement obligates \$450,000 in preliminary engineering funds (\$360,000 federal, \$90,000 local).

Please contact Doug Burghart at extension 6277 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.