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To: Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive

From: Sheriff Bill Elfo, Director
John Gargett, Deputy Director
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Subject: 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant American Rescue Plan Act (21EMPG-ARPA) – Amendment 1

Date: October 18, 2022

Enclosed is Amendment 1 to the US Dept of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant American Rescue Plan Act (21EMPG-ARPA) contract between Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management (WCSO-DEM) and the Washington State Military Department (WA-EMD) for your review.

• Background and Purpose

DHS/FEMA, through its 21EMPG-ARPA program, provides funds to assist local jurisdictions in preparing for all hazards through the sustainment and enhancement of local Emergency Management programs. This is a supplemental grant, separate from the annual EMPG grant Whatcom County receives.

Whatcom County initially received a 21EMPG-ARPA award for \$25,325. WA-EMD has awarded Whatcom County an additional \$35,682 to purchase multi-band portable radios for the Sheriff's Office.

This amendment will:

- Increase the award by \$35,682, from the original \$25,325 to the amended total of \$61,007.
- Extend the performance period by six months, changing the End Date from 12/31/2022 to 06/30/2023.
- Associated changes were made to the Work Plan (pp6-7), Timeline (p8), and Budget (p9).
- Also, the WA-EMD grant contacts have changed (p2).

The additional \$35,682 local match will be met with WUECC rental costs.

• Funding Amount and Source

\$35,682 from the federal DHS/FEMA 21EMPG-ARPA grant, CFDA # 97.042 (21EMPG), which is passed through WA-EMD.

Please contact John Gargett (360-778-7160) or Frances Burkhart (360-778-7161) if you have any questions.