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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Jack Louws, and the Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors

**THROUGH:** Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director *JH*

**FROM:** Gary Stoyka, Natural Resources Manager *GS*  
Austin Rose, Planner I

**DATE:** September 11, 2019

**RE:** Interagency Agreement #2020-21: Whatcom County LIO – FFY2019 Funding

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Please find enclosed for your review and signature two (2) originals of Interagency Agreement # 2020-21: Whatcom County LIO – FFY2019 Funding between the State of Washington Puget Sound Partnership (PSP) and the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District to coordinate the Whatcom County Local Integrating Organization (LIO).

**Requested Action**

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Executive approve and sign the attached grant amendment as the fiscal agent for the Whatcom County LIO.

**Background and Purpose**

The WRIA 1 Watershed Management Board acts as Local Integrating Organization (LIO) for water resources programs in the Whatcom County region. The WRIA 1 Management Team met on August 1, 2019 and approved the draft FFY 2019 LIO Coordination Scope of Work for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District as fiscal agent, acting on behalf of the WRIA 1 Watershed Management Board, for negotiating a contract with the Puget Sound Partnership. This agreement provides funds for tasks related to 1) organize, support, administer, facilitate, and coordinate a Local Integrating Organization, 2) steward and implement the Puget Sound Action Agenda 2018-2022, 3) performance management, and 4) support communication, adaptive management, and synthesis of LIO Ecosystem Recovery Plans.

**Funding Amount and Source**

This grant agreement with the Puget Sound Partnership provides \$75,000 to complete tasks as outlined in the scope of work. Please contact Gary Stoyka at extension 6218 or Austin Rose at 6286 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

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