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MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
FROM: Bill Elfo, Sheriff 
RE: Forestry Work Crew Agreement
DATE: June 5, 2023

Enclosed are two (2) originals of an Amendment to a grant Agreement between the U.S. Forest Service and Whatcom County for your review and signature.

- **Background and Purpose**

Whatcom County has provided Jail Work Crews to the U.S. Forest Service since 2003 to accomplish projects such as improving ecosystems, maintaining existing forest infrastructure and restoring National Forest System lands and watersheds in Whatcom and Skagit Counties. This in turn provides the members of the Work Crews an opportunity to develop skills while working in lieu of full incarceration.

- **Funding Amount and Source**

The funding amount of \$109,512.00 will be added to the grant by the US Forestry Service.

- **Differences from Previous Contract**

This is the 3rd Amendment to a five-year grant Agreement. The original grant amount was \$191,548.00. Amendments 1 and 2 added \$34,460.00 and \$18,000.00. The total grant amount for this Agreement to date is \$353,520.00.

Please contact Laurie Reid at extension 6506, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.