

Elizabeth Kosa  
DIRECTOR



## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu Whatcom County Executive  
for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors

THROUGH: Elizabeth Kosa, Public Works Director *EK*

FROM: Julie Anderson, P.E., River and Flood Manager *JMA*  
Gary Stoyka, Natural Resources Manager *GS*

RE: City of Ferndale – Cost Reimbursement Agreement  
Funding Support for Participation in the FLIP Planning Process (Project No.  
19082351 and 19082363)

DATE: June 10, 2025

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Enclosed is a cost reimbursement agreement between the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District (FCZD) and the City of Ferndale (City) for your review and signature.

### Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Executive, acting for the FCZD Board of Supervisors, enter into a cost reimbursement agreement with the City to participate in the Floodplain Integrated Planning (FLIP) process including participation on the FLIP Steering Committee, FLIP Team, and FLIP Reach Teams.

### Background and Purpose

The FCZD was awarded '21-'23 biennium and '23-'25 biennium Floodplains by Design (FbD) grants from the Department of Ecology for the Nooksack River: Floodplains that Work – Phase 2 and Phase 3 projects, respectively, that includes funding to support participation of small city representatives in the FLIP planning process (Grant No. SEAFBD-2123-WhCoPW-00014 and SEAFBD-2325-WhCoPW-00054). Both grants expire on June 30, 2027. The '21-'23 and '23-'25 FbD grants require a 20% local match.

### Funding Amount and Source

The proposed cost reimbursement amount is \$30,000 for participation of the City in the FLIP process through June 30, 2027. This amount will be reimbursed by the '21-'23 or '23-'25 FbD grants and the 20% match will be provided by the City.

Please contact Julie Anderson at extension 6258, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this Contract.