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MEMORANDUM

To:

The Honorable Satpal Singh Sidhu, County Executive,

Honorable Members of the County Council

Through:

Jon Hutchings, Director

From:

Andrew Hester, Real Estate Coordinator

Date:

July 14, 2021

Re:

Interlocal Agreement and Resolution Transferring Whatcom County Flood

Control Zone District Property to the Lummi Nation

Enclosed is an interlocal agreement and resolution requesting the approval of a transfer of Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District property to the Lummi Nation.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the Whatcom County Council hold a public hearing and take action on the proposed property transfer.

Background and Purpose

The Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District purchased a property located on Ferndale Road in 2008. A portion of the property was used for mitigation purposes for a Public Works road project. The property has been subject to trespassing and dumping. The Lummi Nation would like to acquire the property and has offered wetland mitigation credits in the amount of \$17,000 in exchange for the property. Whatcom County Public Works recommends the transfer of this property subject to a conservation easement protecting the mitigation area and deed restrictions preventing the future development of the property.

Funding Amount and Source

No County funds are being expended on this agreement.

Please contact me at extension 6216 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this resolution.

Encl.