SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 23-332

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN GRANT AGREEMENT NO. 23-2247 WITH WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AND SUB-AWARD AGREEMENT WITH ADOPT-A-STREAM FOUNDATION TO IMPLEMENT PORTIONS OF THE TRANSFORMATIONAL COLLABORATIVE CHINOOK RECOVERY IN WHIDBEY BASIN NORTH AND SOUTH

WHEREAS, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) awarded a Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grant, Award No. NA23NMF4630090 (the "NOAA Grant") to a coalition of local and tribal partners, with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) as administrative lead; and

WHEREAS, the NOAA Grant will fund habitat restoration and related projects and activities described in the NOAA award proposal entitled "Transformational Collaborative Chinook Recovery in Whidbey Basin North and South" (the "NOAA Award Proposal"); and

WHEREAS, as a sub-recipient of the NOAA Grant, Snohomish County (County) Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Surface Water Management Division (SWM) will receive a total of two million six hundred and two thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$2,602,150) to advance three habitat and floodplain restoration projects described in the NOAA Award Proposal: Thomas' Eddy, Shinglebolt Slough, and Chinook Marsh (the "County Projects"); and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant award, SWM will also conduct grant administration for two sub-awardees, Adopt-A-Stream Foundation and Snohomish Conservation District in the amount of two million ninety-seven thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars (\$2,097,980) to implement projects described in the NOAA Award Proposal; and

WHEREAS, SWM's 2023 budget and Grant Work Plan approved by Motion No. 22-418 included the anticipated funding for the County Projects but did not include funding for the grant administration for the two sub-awardees, resulting in a grant award to the County that is larger than what is reflected in the Council-approved 2023 Grant Work Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County and WDFW have negotiated Grant Agreement No. 23-2247 entitled *Snohomish NOAA Whidbey Basin NS – Grant Admin, Shinglebolt Slough, Chinook Marsh, Thomas's Eddy* (the "WDFW Grant Agreement"), attached to this motion as Exhibit A, to receive funding from the NOAA Grant through WDFW; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the WDFW Grant Agreement the County will enter into sub-award agreements with Adopt-A-Stream Foundation to implement the Woods Creek restoration project and with Snohomish Conservation District to implement a Skykomish Riparian Agroforestry feasibility project, advance the Swan's Trail Slough habitat restoration project, and lead community engagement, outreach and education efforts in the Stillaguamish Basin; and

WHEREAS, the sub-award agreement with Snohomish Conservation District will be an interlocal areegement authorized by the Interlocal Cooperation Act, chapter 34.39 RCW;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION:

Section 1. The County Council approves and authorizes the County Executive, or his designee, to execute the WDFW Grant Agreement in the amount of \$4,700,130 in the form substantially attached hereto as Exhibit A, and any amendments thereto.

Section 2. The County Council approves and authorizes the County Executive, or his designee, to execute a sub-award agreement with Adopt-A-Stream for the Woods Creek restoration project described in the WDFW Grant Agreement, and any amendments thereto.

PASSED this 16th day of August, 2023.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

Jared Mead
Council Chair

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk of the Council