



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Public Works and Infrastructure

Analyst: Deb Evison Bell

ECAF: 2023-0891

Proposal: Motion 23-332

Date: August 15, 2023

Consideration:

The proposed Motion would approve and authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute Grant Agreement No. 23-2247 with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant Agreement in the amount of \$4,700,130; and would approve and authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute a sub-award agreement with Adapt-A-Stream for the Woods Creek restoration project described in the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant Agreement, and any other amendments thereto, under SCC 2.10.010(24).

Background:

Snohomish County Council Approved [Motion 22-418](#) on November 9, 2022, approving the 2023 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Surface Water Management Grant Work Plan.

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

Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Surface Water Management Division is a sub-recipient of the NOAA Grant and will receive a total of \$2,602,150 to advance three habitat and floodplain restoration projects: Thomas' Eddy, Shinglebolt Slough, and the Chinook Marsh.

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 \$2,097,980 to implement projects as described in the NOAA Award Proposals.

Current Proposal:

Scope: Under the terms of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant Agreement the Count will enter into sub-award agreement with Adopt-A-Stream Foundation to implement the Woods Creek restoration project and with the 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.

The sub-award agreement with Snohomish Conservation District will be an interlocal agreement authorized by the Interlocal Cooperation Act, RCW 34.39.

Duration: The contract period is from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2027.

Fiscal Implications: Total dollars provided by WDFW for this contract shall not exceed \$4,700,130.00.

Funds under this Grant Agreement in the amount of \$2,602,150 will be allocated to Snohomish County to implement the Thomas' Eddy flagship restoration project and will also be used to advance the Shinglebolt Slough and Chinook Marsh pipeline projects.

Funds under the Grant Agreement in the amount of \$1,372,980 will be allocated by Snohomish County to Adopt-A-Stream Foundation, as a sub awardee under Snohomish County, to implement the Woods Creek flagship restoration project.

Funds under the Grant Agreement in the amount of \$725,000 will be allocated by Snohomish County to the Snohomish Conservation District, as a sub awardee under Snohomish County, to implement the Skykomish Riparian Agroforestry feasibility project, to advance the Swan's Trail Slough pipeline project, and to lead Community Engagement, Outreach, and Education efforts in the Stillaguamish and Snohomish Basins for the duration of this Grant Agreement, at least three years.

2023 Budget: Yes, the 2023 Budget includes the DCNR/SWM Grant Work Plan.

Handling: Urgent

Approved-as-to-form: YES

Risk Management: APPROVE

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE

Requests: The requested action is to move to GLS on August 16, 2023, for consideration.