



Committee of the Whole

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2024-0067
Ordinance: 24-003

Type:

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

Requested Handling:

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
- No
- N/A

Subject: Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the Snohomish Conservation District.

Scope: This agreement is to allow for the NOAA Habitat Conservation Funds in the amount of \$725,000 to pass to the Snohomish Conservation District for the Skykomish riparian agroforestry feasibility, Swans Trail slough, and community engagement, outreach, and educational projects in the Stillaguamish Basin. This is part of the WDFW awarded portion of the NOAA Grant funds (Motions [23-332](#) and [23-537](#)), of which the District is a sub-awardee.

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

100% Reimbursement, Federal Direct.

Expenditures	2024	2025	2026	Total
415.50951334101 SCD	\$212,900	\$236,000	\$276,100	\$725,000
Revenue	2024	2025	2026	Total
415.3095131146 WDFW	\$212,900	\$236,000	\$276,100	\$725,000

Duration: From execution through April 30, 2027.

Authority Granted: Approve and authorize of the County Executive, or designee, to execute the Interlocal agreement between Snohomish County and Snohomish Conservation District for the Skykomish Riparian Agroforestry Feasibility, Swans Trail Slough, and Community Engagement, Outreach and Education Projects in the Stillaguamish Basin in the amount of \$725,000 in the form substantially attached to the proposed Ordinance as Exhibit A, and further authorizes the Director of Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to request, authorize and execute amendments to the interlocal agreement described above, on behalf of the County without the need to obtain additional approvals from the County Council or the County Executive, under RCW 39.34 and County Charter 1.30

Background: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) awarded federal Habitat Conservation Grant funds to the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife beginning May 1, 2023, for a series of projects and activities described in the proposal entitled "Transformational Chinook Recovery in Whidbey Basin North and South". WDFW awarded a portion of the NOAA Grant Funds (\$4,700,130.00) to Snohomish County as a sub-recipient to implement certain proposal projects, including sub-wards and grant administration for other projects in the South Whidbey Basin. The County Grant identifies the Snohomish Conservation District as a sub-awardee and requires the County to enter into an agreement to pass through the grant funds.

Requested Action: For Council to set time and date for a Public Hearing, suggested February 28, 2024, at 10:30 am.