## SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## **MOTION NO. 25-430**

AUTHORIZING SHORELANDS NORTHWEST STRAITS GRANT AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY FOR SNOHOMISH COUNTY TO FUND THE MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Department of Ecology, through the Northwest Straits Commission, funds the Snohomish County Marine Resources Committee through grant No. SEANWS-2025-SnCoCN-00011 for \$252,000 (the "Grant"); and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Marine Resources Advisory Committee is authorized by Chapter 2.800 SCC; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Marine Resources Advisory Committee (MRC) is to protect and restore the county's marine and estuarine ecosystems through sciencebased projects and policy recommendations, engaging citizens and partners to build local awareness and support for marine conservation efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Grant, together with Surface Water Management (SWM) revenues, will fund MRC Operations and Snohomish County Derelict Vessel Assessment through September 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the grant amount was approved through SWM's 2025 Grant Work Plan in the amount of \$124,000, though the Department of Ecology increased the grant amount to \$252,000 to provide funding for the full two years, through 2027, instead of providing one year of funding at a time as they have in the past, therefore requiring Council approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, the County Council accepts the Grant and authorizes the County Executive to sign the Grant agreement.

PASSED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2025.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

Council Chair

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk of the Council