



Planning and Community Development

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-3029

Motion: 25-430

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: Shorelands Northwest Straits Grant Agreement with Department of Ecology

Scope: Motion 25-430 authorizes the Shorelands Northwest Straits Grant Agreement with Department of Ecology for Snohomish County to fund the Marine Resources Committee and the Derelict Vessel Assessment.

Duration: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

☐ Current Year

☒ Multi-Year

☒ N/A

Expenditures	2025	2026	Years 1-3 Total
415 50951121011	\$76,000	\$76,000	\$152,000
415 50951124109	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$100,000
Total	\$126,000	\$126,000	\$252,000

Revenue	2025	2026	Years 1-3 Total
	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$130,000
	\$61,000	\$61,000	\$122,000
Total	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$252,000

Authority Granted:

Authorizes the County Council to accept the Grant and authorizes the County Executive to sign the Grant agreement.

Background:

The Department of Ecology, through the Northwest Straits Commission, provides funds for the Snohomish County Marine Resources Advisory Committee (MRC), which is authorized by Chapter 2.800 SCC. The mission of the MRC is to protect and restore the county's marine and estuarine ecosystems through science-based projects and policy recommendations, engaging citizens and partners to build local awareness and support for marine conservation efforts.

This grant, together with Surface Water Management (SWM) revenues, will fund MRC Operations and Snohomish County Derelict Vessel Assessment through September 30, 2027. A portion of the grant amount was approved through SWM's 2025 Grant Work Plan in the amount of \$124,000. However, 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 done in the past, therefore requiring Council approval.

Request: Move Motion 25-430 to GLS for consideration.