



# Committee of the Whole

Jim Martin

Council Initiated:

Yes

No

**ECAF:** 2024-0061

**Motion:** 24-067

**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:** Approving award for Glacier Peak Institute CLFR-122.

**Scope:** This program is a subsidized employment program that works with students and young adults to build skills in natural resources, construction, and maintenance. The project shall support underemployed and unemployed high-school youth and young adults in the Darrington area. It will expand Glacier Peak Institute’s youth-crew job training program in forestry by at least ten youth and young adults, and by adding additional restoration and maintenance-focused skill development and projects. The program partners with the U.S. Forest Service and other potential partners for participants to perform trail work, restoration activities, forest and wildlife monitoring, and maintenance and renovation of Forest Service-owned buildings, while receiving on-the-job training that will help qualify participants for employment with these agencies and organizations, as well as other local employers.

**Duration:** Execution through December 31, 2024, with the potential for up to two additional 1-year terms, at the sole discretion of the County.

**Fiscal Impact:**  Current Year  Multi-Year  N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
130.57504506784101	\$439,504					\$439,504
						0
<b>Total's</b>	<b>\$439,504</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$439,504</b>

Revenue	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
						0
						0
<b>Total's</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Authority Granted:** Authorizes the County Executive to execute the contract.

**Background:** Glacier Peak Institute was formed as a direct response to the tragic Oso landslide, and works to bridge the gap between classroom lessons and real-world application, with nature-based curriculum and problem solving. Glacier Peak Institute’s programs focus on empowering rural youth by teaching them about infrastructure and science through hands-on learning.

**Requested Action:** Move to Council for consideration.