



## Snohomish County Council

**Committee:** Committee of the Whole

**Analyst:** Jim Martin

**ECAF:** 2022-0071

**Proposal:** Motion 22-050

**Date:** February 1, 2022

### **Consideration:**

Motion approving an increase in the number of employees authorized in the 2022 annual budget in the Snohomish County Grant Control Fund 130 for the Department of Emergency Management.

### **Background**

Due to recurring spikes in COVID cases in Snohomish County, there is a continued need to maintain a warehouse of personal protective equipment (PPE) and rapid COVID test kits. This requires personnel to maintain, inventory, and distribute these supplies based on established priorities. County Code allows for temporary workers and DEM employed a large number of them throughout the COVID response. An emergency extension was issued for an additional six months to meet the emergency support needs in DEM. Two years into the pandemic response, DEM still has a need for COVID disaster support work and a critical need to maintain consistency in warehousing and distribution to support the Snohomish Health District's testing and vaccination sites. With orders still arriving at the warehouse for hundreds of thousands of rapid test kits and masks, DEM is requesting two Project Positions (Program Coordinators @ 238 with end date of 12/31/2023) to recruit and employ workers to support the warehousing and distribution operation.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The cost of these positions is estimated at \$63,875.52/year plus employer paid taxes.

**Handling:** Expedite

**Approved-as-to-form:** n/a

**Risk Management:** n/a

**Executive Recommendation:** Approve

**Attachments:** Refer to the submitted ECAF that includes the following attachments:

(1) Proposed Motion.

**Amendments:** NONE.

**Request:** Move to Council for consideration.