

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 26-149

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
AGREEMENT WITH TRUE WIND COLLABORATIVE, LLC  
FOR GEOSPATIAL, OUTREACH AND PLAN DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the wildfire risk is increasing in Snohomish County with 12 large fires over 100 acres occurring within the county since 2003, there are approximately 995,000 acres of forestland in Snohomish County, with 4,584 acres owned and managed by the County without an active forest management plan; and

WHEREAS, approximately 130,000 residents live within Wildland Urban Interface areas in Snohomish County and one in five residential building permits issued since 2020, have been within these locations; and

WHEREAS, completing a State and Federal approved CWPP allows local jurisdictions, tribes, agencies and organizations to be eligible for multiple sources of wildfire mitigation funding opportunities and adoption of a CWPP allows prioritization of Federal fuels treatment projects within the county; and

WHEREAS, DEM worked with 50 community partners from local jurisdictions, public agencies, special districts, non-profits and private timber companies to develop the Snohomish County CWPP base plan adhering to the requirements in the Healthy Forests Restoration Act (HFRA), and aligning those goals with the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (NCWFMS) and the Snohomish County Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County CWPP base plan provides 70 mitigation strategies to increase wildfire resiliency in the county, and was approved and signed by DNR and the State Forester on October 5, 2025, the Snohomish County Fire Chief's Association on October 7, 2025, adopted by the Snohomish County Council on November 12, 2025, and approved by the Snohomish County Executive on November 13, 2025; and

WHEREAS, mitigation projects for local communities must be coordinated on a smaller geographic scale with Local, State, Federal, Tribal and private timber and recreation land managers to identify areas for coordinated fuel reduction projects; and

WHEREAS, wildfire response and coordination planning should also occur on a smaller geographic scale to ensure districts have the equipment and staff training needed to support other agencies on large fire responses; and

WHEREAS, True Wind Collaborative, LLC was selected through the Request for Proposals process by DEM to provide professional services to complete five local annexes to the CWPP base plan, including collaboration with the 50 planning partners to develop localized fuel mitigation projects and fire response plans and; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract with True Wind Collaborative, LLC is not to exceed \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, the funds have been allocated within the DEM current budget for this purpose through the Community Wildfire Defense Grant program;

NOW, THEREFORE ON MOTION, the Snohomish County Council hereby approves and authorizes the County Executive to sign a Professional Services Agreement, and any subsequent amendments or additional documents needed, with True Wind Collaborative, LLC.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Council Chair

ATTEST:

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Deputy Clerk of the Council