



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Conservation, Sustainability, and Recreation
ECAF: 2022-0976
Motion: 22-404

Analyst: Nicole Gorle
Date: Sept. 22, 2022

Consideration:

Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Bratslavsky Consulting Engineers, INC. for the Whitehorse Trail Design and Implementation Project.

Background:

Whitehorse Trail spans 27 miles between Arlington and Darrington, following the path of a former BNSF railroad. Currently there are two closures on the trail, one between the Centennial Trail and Trafton Trail and the other west of 435th Ave NE near Darrington.

Whitehorse Trail was acquired by Snohomish County in 2013, using Conservation Futures funds in the amount of \$265,600.¹ Since acquiring the property, the County has applied for and received \$1.05 million in State RCO grants for this project. The total project budget is \$3.1 million.

Currently, the County is on Phase 3 of the Whitehorse Trail project. Phase 3 of the Whitehorse Trail project will be broken down into three Subphases.

Subphase 1 – Concept development and selection and initial site analysis and investigation.

Subphase 2 – Design and engineering documentation including 60%, 90%, and 100% design, design specifications, cost estimates, permitting support, SEPA checklist and Phase III bidding and construction support fees.

Subphase 3 – Bidding and construction support, review of submittals, construction inspections, response to RFI's, requisitions for payment processing, as-built drawings, and special inspections.

Current Proposal:

Scope: Motion 22-404 would approve a Professional Services Agreement with Bratslavsky Consulting Engineers, Inc. for Subphase 1 of Phase 3 of the project. Per the contract:

“Phase I will include: project meetings through concept selection, initial site analysis/investigation, familiarization with Snohomish County codes, review of previous work, geotechnical and geomorphology investigation and report, a critical areas investigation and report, a channel migration zone study, an onsite analysis of whether a cultural resources report and a tree arborist assessment are needed, survey and utility locates, (3) concept design alternatives for slide stabilization between Centennial Trailhead and Trafton Trailhead, (3) concept design alternatives for the reroute West of 435th Avenue NE, assistance in selection of a concept design and Phase II design fees for selected concepts.”

¹ ECAF 20049921 / Motion 13-050

Duration: Execution through March 31, 2023

Fiscal Implications: \$202,793.74 (cost of Subphase 1 only). There is funding included in the 2022 budget for this.

2022 Budget: Yes

Future Budget Impact: Yes

Handling: Expedite – 9/30/22

Approved-as-to-form: Yes

Risk Management: Yes

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Attachment: None

Amendments: None

Request: Move to GLS on September 28th for consideration.