



INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: **Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee**
 FROM: **Hari Ponnekanti, Public Works Director/ City Engineer**
 BY: **Brittany Robinson, Public Works Grant Analyst**
 CC: **Mayor Ekberg**
 DATE: **September 16, 2022**
 SUBJECT: **Surface Water Fund – Stormwater Management Action Plan**
Project No. 8214120
Department of Ecology Water Quality Grant Award

ISSUE

Accept a Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) Water Quality Combined Funding Program grant award in the amount of \$72,353.00 to fund a portion of the Stormwater Management Action Plan (SMAP).

BACKGROUND

In August 2019, DOE issued an update to the NPDES Permit for Phase II Municipalities. Under this permit the City is required to prepare a SMAP to identify approaches that accommodate development while preventing water quality degradation and/or improving water quality conditions harmed by past developments.

DISCUSSION

In October 2021, Council approved staff to submit an application for the DOE Water Quality Combined Funding Program for the SMAP. The City recently received notification that it was awarded the grant for the SMAP, which will include documenting capital improvements for water quality and flow control, policy recommendations and targeted stormwater management actions within the Riverton stormwater basin.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City has been awarded \$72,353.00 from the DOE Water Quality Combined Funding Program, which requires a 15% local city match of \$10,852.95. Matching funds will be drawn from the Surface Water Comp Plan (SWCP) CIP and falls within the project budget.

	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Fund Source</u>	<u>Budget</u>
DOE Grant	\$72,353.00	SWCP CIP	\$200,000.00
Required Match	<u>10,853.00</u>		
Total	\$83,206.00		

RECOMMENDATION

Council is being asked to formally accept the Department of Ecology for its Water Quality Combined Funding Program grant in the amount of \$72,353.00 for the Stormwater Management Action Plan on the Consent Agenda at the October 3, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

Attachments: 2021 CIP Page 88
Award Letter

CITY OF TUKWILA CAPITAL PROJECT SUMMARY

2021 to 2026

PROJECT: Surface Water Comprehensive Plan

Project No. 82141202

DESCRIPTION: Periodically revise and update the adopted Surface Water Comprehensive Plan to: 1) Incorporate the latest requirements of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and Endangered Species Act (ESA); 2) Update Capital Improvement Projects to reflect current needs and completed projects; 3) Include GIS based basin and system maps as they become available; and 4) Revise Storm Water ordinance as needed.

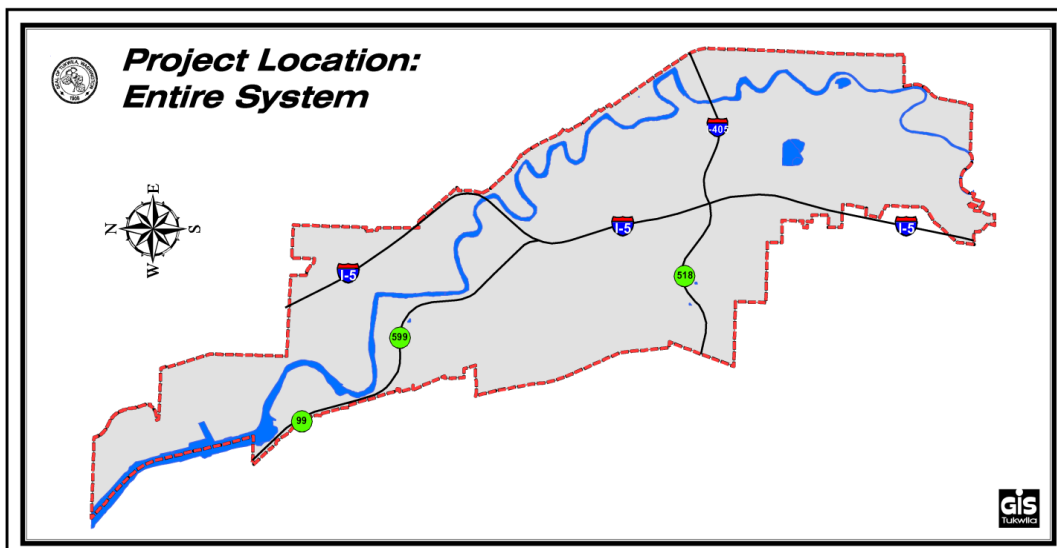
JUSTIFICATION: The latest requirements from regulatory agencies as well as newly identified City needs must be included in a regularly updated Surface Water Comprehensive Plan.

STATUS: The Surface Water Comprehensive Plan was completed in 2003 and updated in 2013. Future updates are planned on a 7-year cycle with the next update in 2021.

MAINT. IMPACT:

COMMENT:

FINANCIAL (in \$000's)	Through Estimated									TOTAL
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	BEYOND	
EXPENSES										
Design	163		200						250	613
Land (R/W)										0
Const. Mgmt.										0
Construction										0
TOTAL EXPENSES	163	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	250	613
FUND SOURCES										
Awarded Grant										0
Proposed Grant										0
Mitigation Actual										0
Mitigation Expected										0
Utility Revenue	163	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	250	613
TOTAL SOURCES	163	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	250	613





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**Re: Tukwila's SMAP Basin Planning for Retrofitted Water Quality/Flow Control,
WQC-2023-Tukwil-00173
*State Fiscal Year 2023 Final Water Quality Funding Offer List and Intended Use Plan***

Thank you for your time and effort in applying to Ecology for funding for your water quality project in the State Fiscal Year 2023 (SFY23) Funding Cycle. I am pleased to inform you that your project has been selected for funding. Please review the following information closely for more details.

On June 30, 2022, Ecology published the [SFY23 Final Water Quality Funding Offer List and Intended Use Plan](#)¹⁹⁷ (Final List). The Final List describes the projects and funding for the SFY23 Funding Cycle from the Centennial Clean Water Program (Centennial), the Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Fund (Section 319), the Stormwater Financial Assistance Program (SFAP), the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), and new federal funding provided to the CWSRF through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).

On November 15, 2021, President Joe Biden signed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), which Ecology estimates could provide nearly \$200 million in new funding to Washington's CWSRF over the next five years. For this SFY 2023 Final List, Washington's CWSRF has been allocated a total of \$31 million in BIL funds, awarded as part of the CWSRF, and focused on supporting small financially disadvantaged community projects.

Ecology evaluated 124 applications from local governments, tribes, conservation districts, other

¹⁹⁷ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/documents/>

public entities, and qualified not-for-profit organizations. Funding requests totaled approximately \$413 million. To ensure funds are committed to the highest priority projects, Ecology water quality specialists evaluated and scored all eligible project proposals. Scores were compiled, and a statewide priority list was developed. Projects proposed for funding are based upon the priority list, the type of project, and the funding source.

After rating and ranking all eligible proposed projects and providing support for three additional small financially disadvantaged community phased projects, Ecology offered approximately \$317 million to 124 projects. Detailed information on all proposals received and offered funding can be found in Appendix 1 in the Final List.

A record of scores and evaluator comments are provided in the Evaluation Scorecard Report available through Ecology's Administration of Grants and Loans (EAGL) system. Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the report, as it will help applicants understand the strengths and weaknesses of their application. In addition, reviewing the report will help applicants become aware of any concerns about unclear costs or tasks and/or possible ineligible components; unclear costs or tasks and/or ineligible components may significantly delay the development of a funding agreement. To obtain the Evaluation Scorecard Report, follow these steps.

- Go into your application in EAGL.
- While in the Application Menu, click "View Forms" in the "View, Edit and Complete Forms" section.
- Scroll down the list of forms to near the bottom.
- Click on "Evaluation Scorecard (External)" in the "Screening/Evaluation/Offer" section.
- Follow the prompts for opening or saving a PDF copy of the report.

I am pleased to inform you that your project is being offered funding of up to \$72,353, including:

- A \$0 from CWSRF for a term of N/A years at a N/A percent interest rate.
- A \$0 Forgivable Principal loan from CWSRF that will not be required to be repaid.
- A \$72,353 grant from SFAP.
- A \$0 grant from Centennial.
- A \$0 grant from Section 319.

The final funding amount awarded for your project will be based on negotiations between you and Ecology regarding the project scope of work, budget, technical considerations, reasonableness of cost, and eligibility determinations.

Based on your application, project type, and fund source, various conditions of funding will

apply; these will be addressed during the agreement negotiation process. For information on conditions that may apply, please see Ecology's [SFY23 Funding Guidelines](#)¹⁹⁸ and the footnotes assigned to your project in Appendix 1 in the Final List.

All projects require cultural resources review, and most projects require environmental review. Please be aware of the requirements for your project, and implement the project schedule accordingly. If you have specific questions, please contact Environmental and Cultural Resource Coordinator, Liz Ellis, at liz.ellis@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 628-4410 or Seth Elsen, at seth.elsen@ecy.wa.gov, (564) 999-1177.

Ecology is committed to negotiating and signing a funding agreement no later than January 31, 2023. To meet this timeline and ensure timely use of limited state and federal funds, it is essential that negotiations and funding agreement development begin as soon as possible. Please see the typical negotiation timeline on the last page of this letter.

Ecology assigned the following Grant and Loan Project Management Team for your project:

Heather Bearnese-Loza	NWRO	Ecology Project Manager	(360) 584-2755
Karen Izumoto	Headquarters Office, Lacey	Ecology Financial Manager	(360) 870-7524

Ecology's Project Manager or Financial Manager will contact you soon to schedule agreement negotiations.

Ecology appreciates your commitment to improving Washington's water quality and looks forward to working with you to complete this high priority project.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the water quality funding programs, please contact Jeff Nejedly, Water Quality Financial Management Section Manager, at jeffrey.nejedly@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 407-6572.

Sincerely,

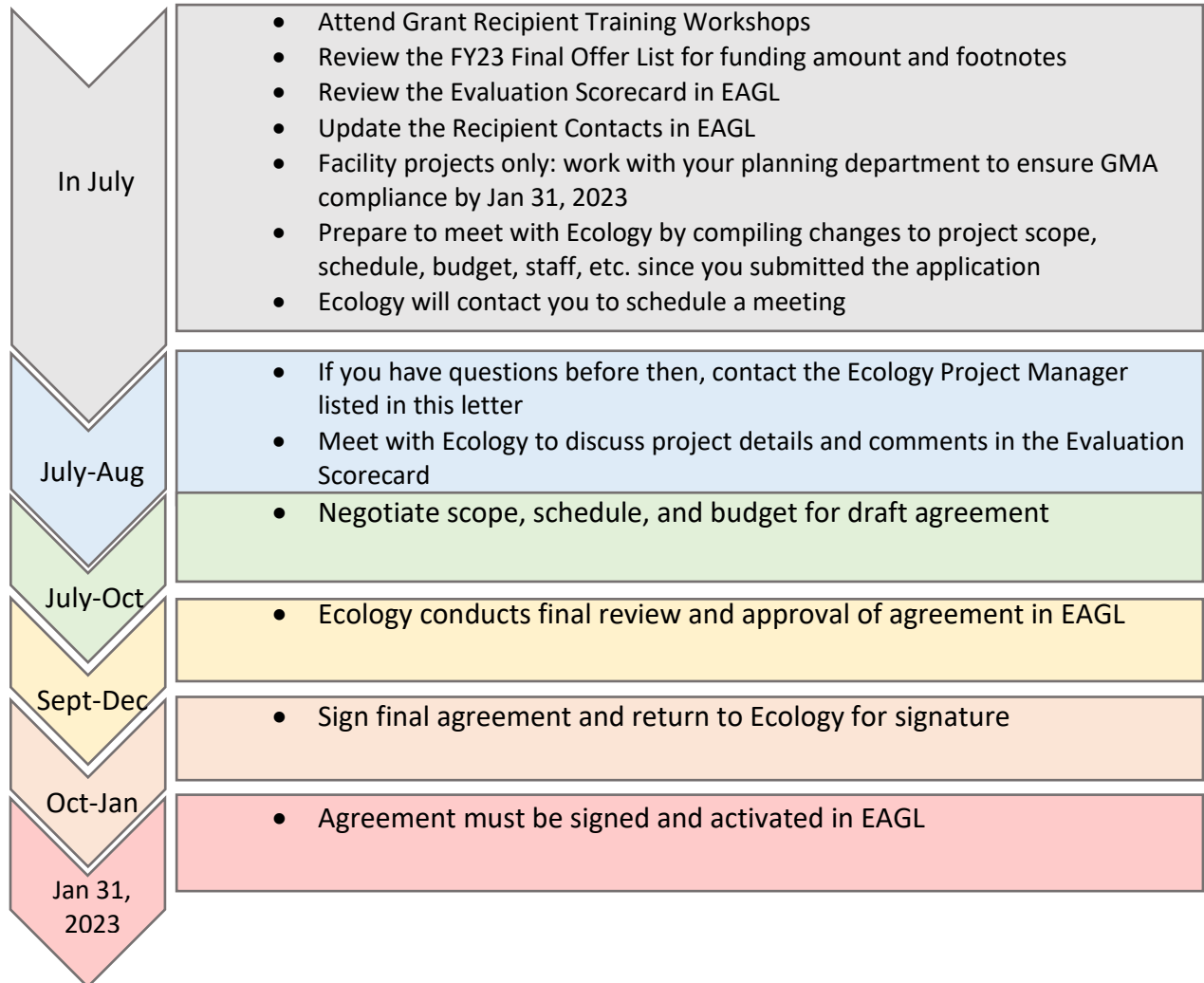


On behalf of

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¹⁹⁸ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/documents/2110028.pdf>

My project has been offered funds. What are my next steps?



Simpler projects may be through the process faster and more complex projects may take until Jan 2023.