

CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

DATE: Oct. 16, 2018

REQUESTED ACTION: Approve grant proposal to the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board to repair, replace and add watershed signs to promote public awareness.

Consent Hearing County Manager

BACKGROUND

In the 1990s, Clark County installed signs where roads cross named waterways indicating the name of the waterway and watershed in an effort to increase public awareness of watersheds. Public Works roads crews maintained the signs until 2010 when support was cut during the Great Recession. Since then, some signs have been damaged or have disappeared. There are also additional locations for watershed signs.

Clark County is a member of the Stormwater Partners of SW Washington, along with the cities of Battle Ground, Camas, Ridgefield, Vancouver and Washougal. Stormwater Partners, with Clark County as the lead, proposes to apply for a Clark County Clean Water Restoration Fund grant from the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board to repair, replace and add new watershed signs throughout the Salmon Creek, Burnt Bridge Creek, Vancouver Lake/Lake River, Gee Creek, Lacamas Creek, Little Washougal and Washougal River watersheds.

The grant proposal also requests funding to develop an interactive watershed map on the Stormwater Partners' website where residents can learn more about their watershed, including beneficial actions they can take to improve water quality and watershed health. The proposal includes funding to promote the signage project and direct residents to the online watershed map, as well as develop a stewardship project for volunteers to maintain signs.

If this staff report is approved and a grant is awarded:

- Watershed signs will be repaired, replaced and added in Clark County's most populated areas.
- An interactive watershed map will be created to engage the public and promote watershed health.
- More Clark County residents will become aware of local waterways and watersheds and actions they can take to protect watershed health.

If this staff report is not approved:

- Watershed signs will fall into further disrepair.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

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ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

This project will be promoted on the county's website and through partnering cities' social media accounts to raise watershed awareness and to direct residents to the interactive watershed map to learn about beneficial actions.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

YES	NO	
	X	Action falls within existing budget capacity.
	X	Action falls within existing budget capacity but requires a change of purpose within existing appropriation.
X		Additional budget capacity is necessary and will be requested at the next supplemental. If YES, please complete the budget impact statement. If YES, this action will be referred to the county council with a recommendation from the county manager.


BUDGET DETAILS


Local Fund Dollar Amount	\$1,240 (in-kind match)
Grant Fund Dollar Amount	\$120,970
Account	Clean Water
Company Name	N/A

DISTRIBUTION:

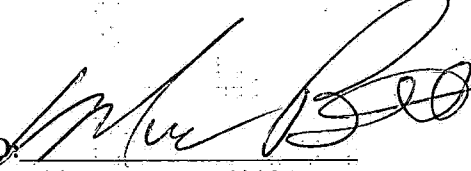
Council staff will post all staff reports to the county website, www.clark.wa.gov/council-meetings.

Attachments:


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 APPROVED:
 CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
 CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL

DATE: 10-16-18

SR#: 167-18



BUDGET IMPACT ATTACHMENT

Part I: Narrative Explanation

I. A – Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information.

Authorize Public Works to submit a grant proposal to the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board for \$120,970 to repair, replace and add watershed signs to promote public awareness. This proposal addresses water quality problems and habitat degradation associated with stormwater runoff and supports the underlying goals of Clark County's Stormwater Management Program to protect surface water and groundwater resources from polluted stormwater.

Part II: Estimated Revenues

Fund #/Title	2017-2018 Biennium		2019 Annual Budget		2020 Annual Budget	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
4420/Clean Water Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,485	\$0	\$60,485
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,485	\$0	\$60,485

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

The Clark County Clean Water Restoration Fund grant program is administered by the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board to address water quality problems and habitat degradation associated with stormwater runoff.

Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III. A – Expenditures summed up

Fund #/Title	FTE's	2017-2018 Biennium		2019 Annual Budget		2020 Annual Budget	
		GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
4420/Clean Water Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,485	\$0	\$60,485
Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,485	\$0	\$60,485

III. B – Expenditure by object category

Fund #/Title	2017-2018 Biennium		2019 Annual Budget		2020 Annual Budget	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,980	\$0	\$11,980
Contractual	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,880	\$0	\$26,880
Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,625	\$0	\$21,625
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other controllables	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlays	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inter-fund Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,485	\$0	\$60,485

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