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TO: Flood Authority Members

FROM: Scott Boettcher, Staff

SUBJECT: Local Projects Looking Ahead

The following will be discussed at tomorrow's Flood Authority meeting. Please feel free to contact me with questions (360/480-6600, scottb@sbgh-partners.com).

1. <u>2023-25 Local Projects Recruitment Process</u>

- Projects Committee will present DRAFT 2023-25 Local Projects Recruitment Process and timeline for review and discussion at 5/19/2022 Flood Authority meeting.
- 2023-25 Local Projects Recruitment Process will establish separate review and scoring criteria for "Planning Projects" versus "Construction Projects."
- See 2021-23 Local Projects Recruitment Process <u>here</u> and 2019-21 Process <u>here</u>.

2. <u>2022 Chehalis Basin Board Budget Check-Ins</u>

- Chehalis Basin Board members agreed at their 11/04/2021 meeting to hold "check-ins on the overall spending plan, between April/June 2022 for the first check-in and September/October 2022 for the second check-in" (see page 5 here).
- Chehalis Basin Board members agreed at their 8/16/2021 meeting that:
 - "Unobligated reserves were reduced, for both Aquatic Species Habitat Restoration & Flood Damage Reduction categories. For both elements, \$8.53M of the \$30.87M would be held as unobligated until 2022 Board check-in(s)" and
 - "\$2M of the \$8.53M would be reserved as contingency for the flood retention facility/airport levee budget line item, to be obligated by the OCB Director only for unforeseen costs associated with completing the final SEPA & NEPA EISs."
 - o See page 2 here.

3. Next Steps

 Projects Committee and Staff will be prepared to assist in the 2022 budget check-in process with local projects spending and project completion information as well opportunities for additional and shovel-ready investments.