

**AGREEMENT FOR THE FLOOD CONVEYANCE NORTH BEND PROJECT  
BETWEEN THE KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT  
AND THE CITY OF NORTH BEND**

THIS AGREEMENT FOR THE FLOOD COVEYANCE NORTH BEND PROJECT (“Agreement”), is entered into on the last date signed below, by and between the CITY OF NORTH BEND, a Washington municipal corporation (“City”), and KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT, a quasi-municipal corporation of the State of Washington (“District”) (collectively, the “Parties”).

**RECITALS**

A. WHEREAS, the King County Flood Control Zone District is a quasi-municipal corporation of the State of Washington, authorized to provide funding and support for flood risk reduction projects within King County.

B. WHEREAS, the City of North Bend operates and maintains drainage structures within their jurisdiction including the overflow channels originating from the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River.

C. WHEREAS, these drainage structures were identified in the 2014 City of North Bend Stormwater Comprehensive Plan Update. The focus of the analysis was to determine what improvements were needed to convey the 25-year flow through the drainage system. The report noted that capacity is currently limited at roadway culverts to less than a two-year level of service.

D. WHEREAS, on August 19, 2020, the District approved the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River Corridor Planning and Capital Investment Strategy ("CIS") as policy guidance.

E. WHEREAS, the CIS identifies channel modifications, enhancements and culvert improvements as potential tools to be considered in developing a comprehensive flood risk reduction strategy to protect homes and infrastructure affected by overflow originating from the Middle Fork Snoqualmie at the location shown on Exhibit A.

F. WHEREAS, the District has included the Flood Conveyance North Bend Project in the District’s annual budget and work program for fiscal years 2022 and 2023, based on the District’s determination that the Project merits funding consistent with the District’s mission and purpose.

G. WHEREAS, the District desires to conduct a comprehensive flood risk reduction strategy at this location along the overflow channels originating from the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River to reduce the recurrence of flooding in the area. The Parties desire for the City to undertake

certain activities in connection with the Flood Conveyance North Bend Project on behalf of the District, including.

1. A Project Charter following the procedures of the WLRD's Project Management Manual
2. An Alternatives Analysis Report characterizing existing conditions, hazards and risks to the subject and adjacent properties; identifying various alternatives and costs/benefit scenarios for this part of this study. This step provides the City and the District the opportunity to review and approve any improvements or measures that the consultant would analyze in further detail
3. A 30% design, cost estimate and schedule for purposes of baselining these elements of the project and obtaining District approval to proceed with final design and construction
4. A draft Basis of Design (BOD) Report providing the rationale and supporting documentation for the 30% design
5. Other analyses consistent with the scope of the Project and deemed beneficial by the City or the District

H. WHEREAS, King County, Washington, ("County") through the Water and Land Resources Division ("WLRD") of the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, is a service provider to the District under the terms of an Interlocal Agreement between the District and King County, and pursuant to that Agreement, WLRD provides contract management and technical expertise for the District for District-funded projects, and will serve in this capacity for the Project.

I. WHEREAS, the Parties agree that time is of the essence in the implementation of this Agreement in order to alleviate flooding risks originating from the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River which damages property and limits access to residential areas and impacts transportation routes during flooding.

### AGREEMENT

Based upon the foregoing, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Incorporation of Recitals. All recitals above are hereby incorporated and ratified as part of this Agreement.

2. Scope of Agreement. The District agrees to provide funding for the Project not to exceed the total amount two-hundred ninety-eight thousand, nine-hundred and fifteen dollars (\$298,915) (“Funds”), for 30% design subject to the terms of this Agreement. The Funding shall be available for the Project as follows:

2.1. Submission of a Charter. The City shall prepare and submit for District approval of a Project Charter in conformance with WLRD’s Project Management Manual. Work performed to prepare the Project Charter shall be eligible for District Funds, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

2.2. Project Scope of Work. Upon the District’s approval of the Project Charter, the Charter shall be automatically incorporated into this Agreement as Exhibit B hereto, without further action by either party. Subject to Section 2.1, the Funds shall only be used by the City for the performance of the Project, and specifically those tasks identified in the Project’s Charter, attached hereto as Exhibit B, and incorporated herein by this reference. Modifications to and deviations from the Charter by the City shall require advance written approval from the District. City staff time allocated to design, inspection, construction administration, and construction management shall be reimbursable with District Funds.

3. Term. This Agreement shall be effective upon mutual execution of this Agreement (“Effective Date”). The Agreement shall terminate upon completion of the tasks identified in the Project’s Charter, unless earlier terminated in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; provided, if the District does not approve a Project Charter within two (2) years of the Effective Date, the Agreement shall automatically terminate.

3.1. The District may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice to the City, and the City shall immediately terminate work upon receipt of notice to terminate, provided that, unless termination is for cause, the City may continue to submit reasonable requests for reimbursement up to the amount of funds appropriated in an approved District budget for work that was performed prior to the date of termination, provided the City’s construction contract shall be consistent with the parties’ right to terminate this Agreement.

3.2. The City may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice to the District, provided that the District shall have no obligation to provide Funds for work occurring after the date of termination.

3.3. The Funds were appropriated in the District’s 2021, 2022, and 2023 Annual Budgets. To the extent that the Project requires future appropriations or carryover to a future budget year by the District, the District’s obligations are contingent upon the appropriation of sufficient funds, provided, that once the City enters into a contract for construction of the Project, the District's obligations shall be fixed and no longer contingent. If no such appropriation is made

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and the City has not yet entered into a contract for construction of the Project, this Agreement will terminate at the close of the appropriation year for which the last appropriation that allocated Funds under this Agreement was made.

4. Permitting and Compliance. At all times relevant to the City's performance under the terms of the Agreement, the City shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. The City shall obtain and be responsible for all necessary local, state, and federal permits and approvals for the Project, and shall fully comply with all applicable requirements and conditions thereof.

4.1. The City shall obtain and be responsible for all necessary property rights, special use permits, easements, or property acquisitions. Access to private properties for the Project are the sole responsibility of the City, and the District shall notify the City when District access is necessary to effectuate the District's performance under this Agreement.

4.2. Inspections. The District, including its service provider WLRD, may provide technical assistance to the City and coordinate with the City as required on work needed within King County jurisdiction. The District, including its service provider WLRD, shall have the right to inspect the City's Project and Project at the District's request.

4.3. Discriminatory Practices Prohibited. Throughout the term of this Agreement, the City shall fully comply with all equal employment and nondiscrimination provisions of applicable local, state and federal laws.

4.4. If the City's personnel or its contractors, subcontractors and agents will either (a) have in-person contact with WLRD personnel during performance of the Project, or (b) enter King County property or facilities during performance of the Project, or both, the City will require the City's personnel, contractors, subcontractors and agents who will have in-person contact with WLRD personnel or who enter King County property or facilities to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 consistent with King County Executive Order ACO-8-28-EO (Covid\_Exec\_Order\_ACO\_8\_28\_EO.ashx (kingcounty.gov)) (Executive Order). The City shall be responsible for the full COVID-19 vaccination verification of its personnel, contractors, subcontractors and agents by obtaining proof of full vaccination against Covid-19 listed in Section 2.a of the Executive Order for each individual who meets conditions (a) or (b) outlined above. The City shall not be required to submit the Attestation Form referenced in the Executive Order, but failure by the City to comply with this provision shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement.

5. Ownership of Improvements. Notwithstanding the funding arrangements provided herein, the District shall be and become the sole owner of the Project improvements upon completion thereof and shall have sole responsibility thereafter for all maintenance and repair.

6. Impact on Other Reaches or Segments. The District and the City agree that the Project under this agreement shall not have a detrimental effect on upstream or downstream property owners. The improvements shall be deemed not to have such a detrimental effect where the improvements fully protect the conveyance capacity of the overflow channels originating from the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and provide flood protection for adjacent properties.

7. District Review. The City shall review and adhere to the requirements set out in District Resolution FCD 2016-22, including the terms of WLRD's Project Management Manual. The City shall submit a Project Charter for review and approval by the District's Executive Committee (which shall become Exhibit B hereto when approved) and shall request prior approval from the District's Executive Committee for initiation of the Project. The City shall include in the Project Charter a schedule of the material and significant events and actions for the Project, which events and actions shall include, but not be limited to, data collection, hydraulic and hydrologic modeling, alternatives screening and analysis, preliminary cost estimates, feasibility assessment, conclusions, recommendations, and conceptual drawings. Consistent with Exhibit B hereto, the City shall not proceed to the following milestones until the District has reviewed and approved of interim products consistent with the District's Capital Project Review Protocols and as follows:

- a. An Alternatives Analysis Report characterizing existing conditions, hazards, and risks to the subject and adjacent properties; identifying various alternatives and costs/benefit scenarios for this part of this study. This step provides the City and the District the opportunity to review and approve any improvements or measures that the consultant would analyze in further detail.
- b. A 30% design, cost estimate and schedule for purposes of baselining these elements of the project and obtaining District approval to proceed with final design and construction.
- c. A draft Basis of Design (BOD) Report providing the rationale and supporting documentation for the 30% design.

8. Retention and Review of Documents. The City agrees to maintain documentation of all planning, modeling, analysis, and design of the Project sufficient to meet District and state audit standards for a capital project, recognizing that the costs of the Project are paid for in whole or in part by the City and the District. The City agrees to maintain any additional documentation that is requested by the District. City contracts and internal documents shall be made available to the District for review and/or independent audit upon request. The Parties shall retain all records in accordance with the Washington State Retention Schedules and shall comply with the Washington State Public Records Act, Ch 42.56.RCW. The City shall submit to the District the final report of this Project, in a form and with detail required by the District.

9. Payment of Funds. The City may submit for reimbursement from the Funds of City actual and reasonable costs and expenses for the Project incurred on or after January 1, 2022. Requests for reimbursement shall be submitted and reviewed consistent with the procedures, requirements and restrictions set out in this Agreement and the District's relevant policies and procedures.

9.1. No more than once a quarter, the City may submit requests for reimbursement of City actual and reasonable costs and expenses incurred on or after January 1, 2022 for the Project. The requests shall be in a form and shall contain information and data as required by the District. In connection with submittal of requests for reimbursement, the District may require the City to provide a status or progress report concerning submittal, preparation or completion of any document or work required by this Agreement.

9.2. The District shall review the requests to confirm that they are reimbursable and payable under this Agreement. The District shall endeavor to complete such review within thirty days of receipt of a request in order to determine whether they are reimbursable and payable under this Agreement. The District shall forward a response to the requested reimbursement to the City within forty-five days of the City's request.

9.3. The District may postpone review of a City request for reimbursement where all or any part of the request is unreasonable, inaccurate or incomplete. The District shall notify the City of any inaccuracies or incompleteness within thirty (30) days of receipt of the request. The City shall provide all additional information or data within thirty (30) days of the District's request for such additional information or data. If the request is still unreasonable, inaccurate or incomplete in the opinion of the District, the dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the terms herein.

9.4. The District may postpone payment of any request for reimbursement, up to a maximum of five percent (5%) of the request, where the City is delinquent in submittal, preparation or completion of any document or work required by this Agreement.

9.5. The parties agree that if the Project funding provided by the District is insufficient to reimburse the City in full for its costs, the City shall not be obligated to complete the Project and shall have the option to terminate this Agreement by notifying the District of such termination in writing. If the City terminates this Agreement under the provisions of this subsection, the District shall continue to receive and review City requests for reimbursement for work that occurred prior to termination.

## 10. General Provisions.

10.1. Third Parties. This Agreement and any activities authorized hereunder shall not be construed as granting any rights or privileges to any third person or entity, or as a guarantee

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or warranty of protection from flooding or flood damage to any person, entity or property, and nothing contained herein shall be construed as waiving any immunity to liability to the City, the District or King County, granted under state statute, including Chapters 86.12 and 86.15 RCW, or as otherwise granted or provided for by law.

10.2. Liens and Encumbrances. The City acknowledges and agrees that it will not cause or allow any lien or encumbrance arising from or related to the Improvement Study authorized by this Agreement to be placed upon the real property interests of King County and the District. If such lien or encumbrance is so placed, King County and the District shall have the right to remove such lien and charge back the costs of such removal to the City.

10.3. Indemnification. The City shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District and King County, and all of their officials, employees, principals, agents and insurers, from any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, losses, costs, attorney fees and expenses, fines, penalties and liability of any kind, including but not limited to injuries to persons or damages to property, relating to, in connection with, or arising out of, whether directly or indirectly, or as a consequence of, the Project, this Agreement, the City's use of the Funds, or the City's exercise of its obligations, rights or privileges under this Agreement.

The foregoing indemnity is specifically and expressly intended to constitute a waiver of each Party's immunity under industrial insurance, Title 51 RCW, as respects the other Party only, and only to the extent necessary to provide the indemnified Party with a full and complete indemnity of claims made by the indemnitor's employees. This waiver has been mutually negotiated.

The City's obligations under this Section shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

10.4. Insurance. The City shall maintain, and shall require its contractors, subcontractors and agents to carry comparable insurance as set forth below, a policy of liability insurance with limits of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence, with a reinsurance liability policy of not less than Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000), naming the District as an additional insured thereon and will provide the District with a Evidence of Coverage (EOC) pursuant to Chapter 48.62 RCW; provided, that the District shall accept a certificate from a certified risk pool certifying that the City is a member in good standing and has contractual indemnity coverage applicable to the requirements of this paragraph in fulfillment of insurance requirements. The City's obligations under this Section shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

10.4.1. The City's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance with respect to the District. Any insurance, self-insurance, or insurance pool coverage maintained by the District shall be in excess of the District's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

10.4.2. The City shall waive its rights of subrogation against the District for all claims and suits.

10.4.3. The coverage shall apply separately to each insurance against whom a claim is made or a suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

10.4.4. Upon receipt of notice from its insurer(s), the City shall provide the District with notice of cancellation within three (3) days. It is hereby understood and agreed that the policy may not be canceled nor the intention not to renew be stated until ninety (90) days after receipt by the District, by registered mail, of a written notice addressed to the Chair of such intent to cancel or not to renew. If the insurance is canceled or reduced in coverage, the City shall provide a replacement policy or this Agreement is immediately terminated.

10.4.5. The City's maintenance of insurance policies required by this Agreement shall not be construed to limit the liability of the City to the coverage provided in the insurance policies, or otherwise limit the District's recourse to any other remedy available at law or in equity.

10.4.6. The District reserves the right, during the term of the Agreement, to require any other insurance coverage or adjust the policy limits as it deems reasonably necessary utilizing sound risk management practices and principals based upon the loss exposures. Prior to imposing such additional coverage or adjusting existing required coverages or limits, the District shall provide reasonable notice to the City and an opportunity to provide comments, and the District shall review and consider such comments that are timely made.

10.5. Dispute Resolution. The Parties will seek to resolve any disputes under this Agreement as follows:

10.5.1. For disputes involving cost reimbursements or payments, submittal of all relevant information and data to an independent Certified Public Accountant or a Construction Claims Consultant, if agreed upon by the Parties, for a non-binding opinion as to the responsibility.

10.5.2. If the foregoing does not result in resolution and for all other disputes, the Parties may mutually select any informal means of resolution and resort will otherwise be had to the Superior Court for King County, Washington. Each Party will be responsible for its own costs and attorney's fees in connection with the dispute resolution provisions of this paragraph.

10.6. Entire Agreement; Amendment. This Agreement, together with Exhibits A and B hereto, represents a full recitation of the rights and responsibilities of the Parties and may



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be modified only in writing and upon the consent of both Parties. Should any conflict exist between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the Exhibits, this Agreement shall control.

10.7. Notices, Communications and Documents. Unless applicable law requires a different method of giving notice, any and all notices, demands or other communications required or desired to be given hereunder by either Party (collectively, "notices") shall be in writing and shall be validly given or made to the other Party if delivered either personally or by Federal Express or other overnight delivery service of recognized standing, or if deposited in the United States Mail, certified, registered, or express mail with postage prepaid, or if sent by electronic mail. If such notice is personally delivered, it shall be conclusively deemed given at the time of such delivery. If such notice is delivered by Federal Express or other overnight delivery service of recognized standing, it shall be deemed given one business day after the deposit thereof with such delivery service. If such notice is mailed as provided herein, such shall be deemed given three business days after the deposit thereof in the United States Mail. If such notice is sent by electronic mail, it shall be deemed given at the time of the sender's transmission of the electronic mail communication, unless the sender receives a response that the electronic mail message was undeliverable. Each such notice shall be deemed given only if properly addressed to the Party to whom such notice is to be given as follows

To City: Tom Mohr, Deputy Public Works Director  
920 SE Cedar Falls Way, North Bend, WA 98045  
Phone: 425-922-5936  
Email: [Tmohr@northbendwa.gov](mailto:Tmohr@northbendwa.gov)

To District: Michelle Clark, Executive Director  
516 Third Avenue, Room 1200  
Seattle, WA 98104  
Phone: (206) 477-2985  
Email: [Michelle.Clark@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Michelle.Clark@kingcounty.gov)

10.8 Authority. The undersigned warrant that they have the authority duly granted by their respective legislative bodies to make and execute this Agreement. This Agreement will be approved and filed in accordance with Chapter 39.34 RCW.

10.9 Severability. If any word, article, section, subsection, paragraph, provision, condition, clause, sentence, or its application to any person or circumstance (collectively referred to as "Term"), shall be held to be illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional for any reason by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction, such Term declared illegal, invalid or unconstitutional shall be severable and the remaining Terms of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect unless to do so would be inequitable or would result in a material change in the rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder.

10.10 No Joint Venture. It is not intended by this Agreement to, and nothing contained in this Agreement shall, create any partnership, joint venture, or principal-agent

relationship or other arrangement between the City and the District. Neither Party is authorized to, nor shall either Party act toward third Persons or the public in any manner which would indicate any such relationship with the other.

10.11 Force Majeure. In the event either party is prevented or delayed in the performance of any of its obligations herein due to circumstances beyond its control or by reason of a force majeure occurrence, such as, but not limited to, acts of God, acts of terrorism, war, riots, civil disturbances, natural disasters, floods, tornadoes, earthquakes, unusually severe weather conditions, employee strikes and unforeseen labor or availability of materials conditions not attributable to the City's employees or agents, neither party shall be deemed in breach of provisions of this Agreement.

10.12 Venue/Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington. Any action brought relative to enforcement of this Agreement, or seeking a declaration of rights, duties or obligations herein, shall be initiated in King County Superior Court.

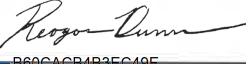
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement, which shall become effective on the last date signed below.

**CITY OF NORTH BEND**

By:   
Rob McFarland  
Mayor


Date: March 21, 2023

**KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT**


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Reagan Dunn  
Board Chair

Date: 4/4/2023

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

By:  LISA  
Mike Kenyon MARIE B. ALL  
City Attorney

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Legal Counsel

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City Clerk