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Fish Barrier Removal Board

Amendment Form

Date: 4/21/2025

RCO Project Number: 21-1500

Sponsor Name: Cowlitz County

Project Name: NF Ostrander Fish Passage Project

Type of Amendment: Cost Increase ☒ Time Extension ☐ Scope Change ☐

Justification: For cost increases, describe the need and specifically what the money will be used for. Please note: a grant cost increase requires the sponsor to increase its total match contribution to maintain the agreement's original cost share percentages. For time extensions that would place the project end date more than four years beyond the project start date, describe the reason and background for the delay and provide a timeline for project completion. For scope changes, describe the reason and what work types or elements of the project will change. Specify changes in quantities and/or metrics of project elements as necessary.

Amendment 1 executed on October 22, 2024, shifted costs from construction to cover final design costs. This increased the AA&E total from \$10,000 to \$90,000. The cost for the culvert replacement was revised to \$1,810,000, and the cost for construction management and inspection was revised to \$50,000. There was no change to the total contract amount.

Construction costs have greatly increased since the time the grant application was submitted. This is likely due to the demand for contractors and suppliers to complete this type of work and the current rate of inflation. Bids for the purchase of the steel arch materials were opened on March 10, 2025, with the lowest bid of \$167,958.15. Bids were opened for the construction project on April 21, 2025, with the lowest bid of \$2,349,120. The total of these two is \$2,517,078.35, which exceed the amount in the grant agreement by \$707,078.35.

In addition, the County will need to utilize a consultant for daily onsite construction inspection and material testing. This results in an increase of \$135,000.

Proposed cost increases are itemized as follows:

Culvert replacement (steel arch purchase plus construction contract)	\$707,080
Consultant daily onsite inspection and material testing	<u>\$135,000</u>
Total	\$842,080

Due to the additional costs, Cowlitz County requests a total project cost increase of \$842,080 to a new total of \$2,792,080. The RCO grant would increase \$715,768 to a new grant amount of \$2,373,268. Our match would increase \$126,312 to a new total of \$418,812.

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Supporting Documents Provided. (check all that apply):

- ☒ An updated Cost Estimate Spreadsheet composed of original budget with cost increase provided in a separate column clearly illustrating where costs have changed.
- ☐ An updated Project Milestone Worksheet
- ☐ Preliminary design package including design drawings and design report (Manual 22, Appendix C)

Review:



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