

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator:	MDC	3/24/17	RECEIVED MAR 28 2017 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL	4/4/17	Intro
Division Head:				4/18/17	Finance Committee; Council
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:	KAF	3/24/17			
Purchasing/Budget:	MDC	3/24/17			
Executive:	TMS	3/28/17			

TITLE OF DOCUMENT: 2017 Supplemental Budget Request #4

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance, Memoranda & Budget Modification Requests

SEPA review required? () Yes (X) NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? () Yes (X) NO
SEPA review completed? () Yes (X) NO	Requested Date:

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE: (If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

Supplemental #4 requests funding from the General Fund:

- To appropriate \$38,865 in Non Departmental to fund adjustment to What Comm dispatch costs.
- To appropriate \$75,000 in Health to fund additional substance use disorder professional for Homeless Outreach Team from grant proceeds.
- To appropriate \$18,375 in Sheriff to fund Recreational Boating Safety grant – 2017 program.
- To appropriate \$25,087 in Sheriff to fund Boating Safety Program overtime patrols.

From the Road Fund:

- To appropriate \$200,000 to fund Ferry Terminal electrical repair.

From the Emergency Management Fund:

- To appropriate \$25,000 to fund installation of AHAB warning siren at Birch Bay from donation proceeds.

COMMITTEE ACTION:	COUNCIL ACTION: 4/4/2017: Introduced 6-0, Weimer absent
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Related County Contract #:	Related File Numbers:	Ordinance or Resolution Number:
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**ORDINANCE NO.
AMENDMENT NO. 4 OF THE 2017 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the 2017-2018 budget was adopted December 6, 2016; and,
WHEREAS, changing circumstances require modifications to the approved 2017-2018 budget; and,

WHEREAS, the modifications to the budget have been assembled here for deliberation by the Whatcom County Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the 2017-2018 Whatcom County Budget Ordinance #2016-068 is hereby amended by adding the following additional amounts to the 2017 budget included therein:

Fund	Expenditures	Revenues	Net Effect
Non Departmental	38,865	-	38,865
Health	75,000	(75,000)	-
Sheriff	43,462	(18,375)	25,087
Total General Fund	157,327	(93,375)	63,952
Road Fund	200,000	-	200,000
Emergency Management Fund	25,000	(25,000)	-
Total Supplemental	382,327	(118,375)	263,952

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2017.

ATTEST:

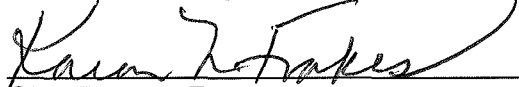
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Barry Buchanan, Chair of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

() Approved () Denied



Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Jack Louws, County Executive

Date: _____

WHATCOM COUNTY				
Summary of the 2017 Supplemental Budget Ordinance No. 4				
Department/Fund	Description	Increased (Decreased) Expenditure	(Increased) Decreased Revenue	Net Effect to Fund Balance (Increase) Decrease
General Fund				
Non Departmental	To fund adjustment to What.Comm 911 dispatch costs.	38,865	-	38,865
Health	To fund additional substance use disorder professional for Homeless Outreach Team from grant proceeds.	75,000	(75,000)	-
Sheriff	To fund Recreational Boating Safety grant - 2017 program.	18,375	(18,375)	-
Sheriff	To fund Boating Safety Program overtime patrols.	25,087	-	25,087
Total General Fund		157,327	(93,375)	63,952
Road Fund	To fund Ferry Terminal electrical repair.	200,000	-	200,000
Emergency Management Fund	To fund installation of AHAB warning siren at Birch Bay from donation proceeds.	25,000	(25,000)	-
Total Supplemental		382,327	(118,375)	263,952

**WHATCOM COUNTY
EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE**


County Courthouse
311 Grand Avenue, Suite #108
Bellingham, WA 98225-4082



Jack Louws
County Executive

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive
Whatcom County Council

FROM: Tawni Helms, Administrative Coordinator 

DATE: March 22, 2017

SUBJECT: What-Comm User Agency Share for 911 Dispatch

Requested Action:

We are requesting Council consideration and approval of the attached 2017 budget supplemental to increase the What-Comm expenditure authority in the amount of \$38,865.

Background and Purpose:

On October 15, 2016, the What-Comm Board approved the 2017 User Agency Share amount schedule. Whatcom County's share was \$710,315 for the Sheriff's Office dispatch and \$230,478 for county fire district dispatch for a total of \$940,793.

2016 adjustments were added to 2017 first quarter payments in the amount of \$48,183 for fire dispatch and a credit of \$9,318 for law enforcement to bring this budget supplemental request to \$38,865.

Funding Amount and Source:

We are asking for an increase in 2017 expenditure authority from the General Fund.

Please contact Tawni Helms at extension 5208, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Supplemental Budget Request

Non-Departmental

Suppl ID # 2260 Fund 1 Cost Center 4250 Originator: T Helms

Expenditure Type: One-Time Year 1 2017 Add'l FTE Add'l Space Priority 1

Name of Request: User Agency Share for 911 Dispatch

X

Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission) _____ Date _____

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	7210	Intergov Prof Svcs	\$38,865
	Request Total		\$38,865

1a. Description of request:

Covers the increased amount of the What-Comm Dispatch user share for 2016 as reflected in the adjustments included on the first quarter What-Comm invoice.

1b. Primary customers:

Whatcom County Citizens

2. Problem to be solved:

2016 User Agency Share was \$38,865 more than budgeted. Additionally, the 2016 share amounts were underpaid for the Fire Districts' dispatch by \$48,183. Contrastly, the share amount was over budgeted for the Sheriff's Office dispatch by \$9,328.

Year end adjustments are included in the first quarter What-Comm invoice. This budget supplemental covers the increased amount for the County Fire District Dispatch Fees while deducting the credit adjustment for the Sheriff's Office Dispatch fees.

3a. Options / Advantages:

n/a

3b. Cost savings:

n/a

4a. Outcomes:

Adequate budget authority

4b. Measures:

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

n/a

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

n/a

6. Funding Source:

Current expense

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Health

Human Services

Suppl ID # 2261

Fund 1

Cost Center 675500

Originator: Patty Proctor

Expenditure Type: One-Time

Year 1 2017

Add'l FTE

Add'l Space

Priority 1

Name of Request: North Sound HOT SUDS

X *Patricia Proctor*

3/20/17

Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)

Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	4333.9959	DASA Prevention	(\$75,000)
	6610	Contractual Services	\$75,000
	Request Total		\$0

1a. Description of request:

Funding for one FTE substance use disorder (SUD) professional provided as a team member on the Homeless Outreach Team (HOT). The professional will engage homeless people at camps and other venues within the community.

This professional will provide opiate street outreach, care coordination to get people into assessments and treatment. The professional will provide expertise to HOT and ensure appropriate care, including referrals to syringe exchange, treatment, mental health services, health services, and housing.

1b. Primary customers:

Opiate addicts and people with other substance use disorders that are homeless

2. Problem to be solved:

The Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) lacks clinical support for substance use disorders (SUD) yet, more than 80% of the people they contact have SUD issues. We are building towards the possibility of having homeless outreach provided to areas in the County outside of Bellingham.

3a. Options / Advantages:

To ensure professional SUD services (currently lacking) on the HOT and to ensure appropriate interventions for those who need services.

3b. Cost savings:

Services will be contracted with a local provider.

4a. Outcomes:

Ensure access to SUD services for opiate addicted people who are homeless and provide coordinated care to housing.

4b. Measures:

Number of people getting in for SUD assessment

Number of people served

Number of people getting into other SUD services, such as syringe exchange or Suboxone clinics.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

City of Bellingham

Whatcom County Homeless Services Center

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

Opportunity Council coordinates and directs the HOT team. This request provides an additional member for that team.

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Health

Human Services

Suppl ID # 2261

Fund 1

Cost Center 675500

Originator: Patty Proctor

6. Funding Source:

North Sound Behavioral Health Organization, Federal Substance Abuse Block Grant.

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MEMORANDUM

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MAR 14 2017

TO: Jack Louws, County Executive
FROM: Sheriff Bill Elfo
DATE: March 13, 2017
SUBJECT: Supplemental Budget ID# 2258
Recreational Boating Safety Grant - 2017

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JACK LOUWS
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The attached Supplemental Budget requests budget authority for the 2017 Recreational Boating Safety Grant.

Background and Purpose

The Sheriff's Office received a Recreational Boating Safety Grant Letter of Award from Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission dated March 1, 2017 for the period March 1 through September 30, 2017. This is an annual grant awarded to the Sheriff's Office to conduct on the water patrols during the peak boating period.

Funding Amount and Source

\$18,374.57 provided by Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, Recreational Boating Safety Federal Financial Assistance Grant, CFDA No. 97.012.

Please contact Undersheriff Jeff Parks at extension 6610 if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Sheriff

Operations

Suppl ID # 2258 Fund 1 Cost Center 1003512006 Originator: Dawn Pierce

Expenditure Type: One-Time Year 1 2017 Add'l FTE Add'l Space Priority 1

Name of Request: Recreational Boating Safety Grant - 2017

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 Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission) Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	4333.8701	Boating Safety	(\$18,375)
	6110	Regular Salaries & Wages	\$281
	6140	Overtime	\$15,575
	6210	Retirement	\$829
	6230	Social Security	\$1,213
	6259	Worker's Comp-Interfund	\$456
	6269	Unemployment-Interfund	\$21
	Request Total		\$0

1a. Description of request:

The Sheriff's Office will conduct on-the-water patrols to increase education and enforcement activities encouraging greater compliance with boating safety laws in an effort to reduce boating-related loss of life, personal injury, and property damage.

1b. Primary customers:

Whatcom County citizens and visitors

2. Problem to be solved:

The Sheriff's Office is currently the only law enforcement agency in Whatcom County that operates a state approved boating safety program under WAC 352-65. The Sheriff's Office provides recreational boating safety patrols and enforcement of both county code and state law.

3a. Options / Advantages:

Grant funds are awarded specifically for boating safety education, assistance, and enforcement activities.

3b. Cost savings:

Cost savings of \$18,375.

4a. Outcomes:

Marine patrols will be conducted during the peak boating period from May to September 2017.

4b. Measures:

Written vessel inspections using approved State Parks inspection forms will be completed and submitted.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

6. Funding Source:

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) Federal Financial Assistance Grant. Funds originate from Department of Homeland Security, CFDA No. 97.012.

Don Hoch
Director



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WASHINGTON STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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March 1, 2017

Undersheriff Jeff Parks
Whatcom County Sheriff's Office
311 Grand Avenue
Bellingham, WA 98225-4048

Re: Recreational Boating Safety Federal Financial Assistance Grant Letter of Award

Dear Undersheriff Parks:

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission has reviewed and accepted your application for a Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) Federal Financial Assistance Grant and is awarding \$18,374.57 to your agency. The grant is for the period March 1 to September 30, 2017.

Award Information:

Federal Award Identification: 3317FAS170153

Federal Award Date: 1/10/17

CFDA Number: 97.012

Terms of Acceptance: Acceptance of a Federal Financial Assistance award carries with it the responsibility to comply with the terms and conditions of the award. Acceptance is defined as the start of work, drawing down funds, or accepting the award via electronic means. Awards are based on the application form, as approved by State Parks. The signed grant application contains the terms and conditions to which your agency has agreed. I urge you to carefully review your application (enclosed) so you are familiar with each requirement.

Specifically You Have Agreed To:

- Provide your agreed upon local funding match as submitted in your A-300 form.
- Carry out your approved prevention plan and reach the measureable prevention goals as submitted in your A-300 form.
- Execute the patrol plans / emphasis patrols / enforcement policies by doing the activity / product during the time frame / target date to achieve your purpose / outcome as submitted in your A-300 form.
- Conduct the number of vessel safety inspections as submitted in your A-300 form.
- Conduct the number and type of educational classes and activities as submitted in your A-300 form.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jack Louws, County Executive
FROM: Sheriff Bill Elfo
DATE: March 13, 2017
SUBJECT: Supplemental Budget ID# 2259
Boating Safety Program OT Patrols - 2017

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MAR 14 2017

JACK LOUWS
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The attached Supplemental Budget requests budget authority for Boating Safety Program Overtime Patrols in 2017.

Background and Purpose

The Sheriff's Office is currently the only law enforcement agency in Whatcom County that operates a state approved boating safety program under WAC 352-65. State approved boating safety programs require that certified deputies patrol the waterways during peak recreational boating periods. The Sheriff's Office provides recreational boating safety patrols and enforcement of both county code and state law, and VRF Reserve Accounts funds are needed for water patrols in 2017.

Funding Amount and Source

\$25,087 from the Vessel Registration Fee (VRF) Reserve Account.

Please contact Undersheriff Jeff Parks at extension 6610 if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Sheriff

Operations

Suppl ID # 2259

Fund 1

Cost Center 2960

Originator: Dawn Pierce

Expenditure Type: One-Time Year 1 2017 Add'l FTE Add'l Space Priority 1

Name of Request: Boating Safety Program OT Patrols - 2017

X

Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)

Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	6110	Regular Salaries & Wages	\$384
	6140	Overtime	\$21,265
	6210	Retirement	\$1,132
	6230	Social Security	\$1,656
	6259	Worker's Comp-Interfund	\$622
	6269	Unemployment-Interfund	\$28
	Request Total		\$25,087

1a. Description of request:

The Sheriff's Office operates a state approved boating safety program under WAC 352-65 and provides recreational boating safety patrols and enforcement of both county code and state law.

Vessel Registration Fees (VRF) are collected by the State and allocated to counties for approved boating safety/education and law enforcement programs. In accordance with state law, these funds are deposited into an account dedicated solely for supporting the jurisdiction's boating safety program.

1b. Primary customers:

Whatcom County citizens and visitors

2. Problem to be solved:

State approved boating safety programs require that certified officers patrol the waterways during peak recreational boating periods. The Sheriff's Office schedules water patrols during the boating season from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend on extra-duty overtime so as not to adversely impact the regular patrol schedule. VRF Reserve Account funds are needed to conduct water patrols in 2017.

3a. Options / Advantages:

3b. Cost savings:

4a. Outcomes:

Water patrols will be conducted per state approved Boating Safety Program requirements.

4b. Measures:

The Sheriff's Office will provide marine patrols and enforcement of boating laws and regulations.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

6. Funding Source:

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Sheriff

Operations

Suppl ID # 2259

Fund 1

Cost Center 2960

Originator: Dawn Pierce

Vessel Registration Fee (VRF) Reserve Account.

**WHATCOM COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

Jon Hutchings
Director



Joseph P. Rutan, P.E.
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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive and
The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director *JH*

From: Joseph P. Rutan, P.E., County Engineer / Assistant Director *JPR*
James E. Lee, P.E., Engineering Manager *JEL*

Date: February 21, 2017

Subject: 2017 Supplemental Budget Request
Ferry Terminal Electrical and Painting Project (CRP #916020)

Requested Action

Enclosed for your review and consideration is a supplemental budget request for 2017 (see attached Supplemental Budget Request #2017-2251).

Background and Purpose

This request authorizes \$200,000 of additional expenditure authority for the construction of the electrical portion of this project to be completed during dry dock this summer.

This project, Item No. 30 on the approved 2017 Annual Construction Program (ACP), consists of an electrical overhaul of the Gooseberry Point terminal followed by painting and structural steel repair at both terminals. As included in the 2017-2022 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program, construction was originally scheduled for the summer of 2018 with the design and permitting work to be completed in 2016/2017.

The electrical portion of design and permitting was completed ahead of schedule to address the deteriorating state of the electrical system at the Gooseberry Point terminal. The 2017 ACP has sufficient funds to finalize project design and permitting, however a portion of construction funding needs to be shifted from 2018 to complete this construction phase in 2017. If approved, the \$200,000 of additional 2017 expenditure authority enables completion of the electrical portion of construction during dry dock this summer. Painting of both terminals is still on track for construction in 2018.

Funding Amount and Source

This supplemental budget request authorizes \$200,000 of additional funds from the County Road Fund balance.

Please contact James Lee at extension 6264 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Public Works **Engineering Bridge & Hydraulic**

Suppl ID # 2251 **Fund 108** **Cost Center 916020** **Originator: James Lee**

Expenditure Type: One-Time **Year 1 2017** Add'l FTE Add'l Space **Priority 1**

Name of Request: Ferry Terminal Electrical Repair and Painting

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Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)		Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	6610.595510	Contractual Services	\$10,000
	6630.595510	Professional Services	\$15,000
	7380.595510	Other Improvements	\$175,000
	Request Total		\$200,000

1a. Description of request:

The project consists of painting and structural steel repair at both terminals and an electrical overhaul of the Gooseberry Point terminal. As included in the 2017-2022 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program, construction of this project was originally scheduled for the summer of 2018 with the design and permitting work to be completed in 2016/2017.

The electrical portion of the design and permitting has been completed ahead of schedule to address the deteriorating state of the electrical system at the Gooseberry Point terminal. Therefore, this supplemental budget request will authorize \$200,000 of additional expenditure authority for the construction of the electrical portion of the project during dry dock this summer. Painting of both terminals is still on track for construction in 2018.

This project is listed as Item No. 30 on the approved 2017 Annual Construction Program (ACP). The current ACP has sufficient funds to finalize project design and permitting, however additional funds are needed for construction this summer.

1b. Primary customers:

General public and local residents of Lummi Island

2. Problem to be solved:

The existing electrical system is deteriorated due to age and the effects of the harsh saltwater environment.

3a. Options / Advantages:

The Gooseberry Ferry Terminal has been plagued with electrical issues for the past few years consisting of broken junction boxes being inundated with saltwater, old sensors not working properly, etc. This has led to maintenance costs and repair outages. This project will overhaul and update the electrical system a year ahead of schedule which will avoid additional maintenance expenses and disruptions to service.

3b. Cost savings:

N/A

4a. Outcomes:

The project will be constructed during the 2017 drydock window.

4b. Measures:

The project will be constructed and a new electrical system put into place.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Public Works

Engineering Bridge & Hydraulic

Suppl ID # 2251

Fund 108

Cost Center 916020

Originator: James Lee

N/A

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

N/A

6. Funding Source:

Road Fund

Supplemental Budget Estimate

Ferry Terminal Electrical Repair and Painting, CRP 916020		
	Project Estimate	Requested Additional Expenditure Authority
Construction Contract	\$175,000	\$175,000
Consultant CE	\$15,000	\$15,000
Whatcom County CE	\$30,000	Authority Already Exists
CE Testing	\$10,000	\$10,000
Construction Supplemental Budget Request	\$230,000	\$200,000

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MEMO

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MAR 17 2017

To: Jack Louws
Whatcom County Executive

From: Sheriff Bill Elfo, Director
John Gargett, Deputy Director
WCSD-Division of Emergency Management

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JACK LOUWS
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Subject: Supplemental Budget Request ID # 2264

Date: March 17, 2017

The attached Supplemental Budget Request seeks budget authority to cover the costs of installing an All Hazard Alert Broadcast (AHAB) siren at Birch Bay.

- Background and Purchase

Providing early warning of and ongoing information is essential to enable people to respond more efficiently and effectively to any disaster, thereby reducing the impact of that disaster. Among other hazards, coastal communities in Whatcom County have been identified as being at risk for tsunami effects. AHAB Warning Systems, commonly called Tsunami Sirens in coastal communities, provide both tone and voice alerts for natural, human-caused, or technological hazards.

The AHAB Warning System is a nation-wide program for early alert and notification. AHABs are an integral piece of the all-hazard alert and warning strategy for both Washington State, through its Emergency Management Division (WA-EMD), and for Whatcom County. Currently, there are four AHABs located in Whatcom County, one each at Point Roberts and Sandy Point and two in the Lummi Nation. This project will increase the coverage of all-hazard early warning notifications to the Birch Bay community.

Whatcom County will purchase an AHAB unit from WA-EMD (budget authority for this purchase has already been established through the continuing appropriation process). This Budget Supplemental covers the cost of installing the AHAB.

- Funding Amount and Source

\$25,000 for the cost of installation from a donation received from Phillips 66.

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Sheriff

Emergency Management

Suppl ID # 2264

Fund 167

Cost Center 16741

Originator: Frances Burkhart

Expenditure Type: One-Time

Year 1 2017

Add'l FTE

Add'l Space

Priority 1

Name of Request: AHAB Warning Siren - Birch Bay

X

Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)

Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	4367.1000	Donations	(\$25,000)
	7410	Equipment-Capital Outlay	\$25,000
	Request Total		\$0

1a. Description of request:

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management (WCSO-DEM) is requesting budget authority to cover the costs of installing an All Hazard Alert Broadcast (AHAB) siren at Birch Bay.

1b. Primary customers:

The Birch Bay community.

2. Problem to be solved:

Providing early warning of and ongoing information is essential to enable people to respond more efficiently and effectively to any disaster, thereby reducing the impact of that disaster. Among other hazards, coastal communities in Whatcom County have been identified as being at risk for tsunami effects. AHAB Warning Systems, commonly called Tsunami Sirens in coastal communities, provide both tone and voice alerts for natural, human-caused, or technological hazards.

3a. Options / Advantages:

The AHAB Warning System is a nation-wide program for early alert and notification. AHABs are an integral piece of the all-hazard alert and warning strategy for both Whatcom County and Washington State's, through its Emergency Management Division (WA-EMD).

3b. Cost savings:

\$25,000 (funding provided by a donation)

4a. Outcomes:

An AHAB siren will be installed in Birch Bay during Spring 2017.

4b. Measures:

Upon installation, the AHAB Warning System will be tested for satisfactory operation.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

In addition to the overarching coordination provided by WCSO-DEM and WA-EMD, North Whatcom Fire & Rescue will help coordinate testing, maintenance, and activation of the Birch Bay AHAB.

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

Fire Chief Bill Pernet will coordinate NWFR's responsibilities for the Birch Bay AHAB.

6. Funding Source:

Phillips 66 donated \$50,000 for the purchase of an AHAB for the Birch Bay community:
 \$25,000 for the purchase of the AHAB (budget authority for this purchase has already been established through the continuing appropriation process).
 \$25,000 for the cost of installation.