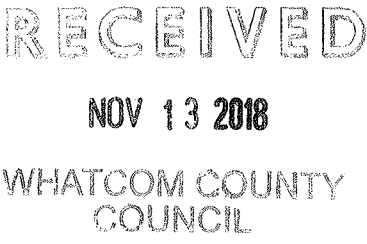






**WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL**

NO. 2018-334

<b>CLEARANCES</b>	<b>Initial</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Date Received in Council Office</b>	<b>Agenda Date</b>	<b>Assigned to:</b>
Originator:	R. Lamb	11/6/2018		11/20/2018	Finance /Council
Division Head:					
Dept. Head:	M.M. 	11/6/2018			
Prosecutor:	JA 	11/7/18			
Purchasing/Budget:	BB 	11/9/18			
Executive:		11/9/18			

**TITLE OF DOCUMENT:** *South Fork Park Trail Development: 18-2576 Application and Authorizing Resolution*

**ATTACHMENTS:**

SEPA review required?	( ) Yes	( X ) NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing?	( ) Yes	( X ) NO
SEPA review completed?	( ) Yes	( ) 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.)*

Request authorization for the County Executive through Michael McFarlane to make application and enter into a grant agreement with the WA State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for funding through the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program (NOVA) in the amount of \$200,000 for trail development at South Fork Park.

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

<b>Related County Contract #:</b>	<b>Related File Numbers:</b>	<b>Ordinance or Resolution Number:</b>
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**WHATCOM COUNTY**  
**Parks & Recreation**  
3373 Mount Baker Highway  
Bellingham, WA 98226-7500



**Michael G. McFarlane**, Director  
**Christ Thomsen**, Parks Operations Manager

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Jack Louws, County Executive

**FROM:** Michael McFarlane 

**DATE:** November 7, 2018

**RE:** South Fork Park Trail Development Grant Application Authorizing Resolution

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Enclosed you will find an Agenda Bill and Authorizing Resolution requesting authorization from the County Council to make an application and enter into a grant agreement with the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for funding through the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program (NOVA).

If awarded, this \$200,000 grant will be used for trail development at South Fork Park.

Please feel free to contact Rod Lamb, Design & Development Supervisor at extension 5858 if you have any questions or concerns.

PROPOSED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

INTRODUCED: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_

RECREATION and CONSERVATION OFFICE  
NONHIGHWAY AND OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ACTIVITIES PROGRAM (NOVA)  
GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION/RESOLUTION  
SOUTH FORK PARK MULTI-USE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT

Project(s) Number(s), and Name(s) 18-2576 DEV - SOUTH FORK PARK MULTI-USE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT 2018

This resolution/authorization authorizes the person identified below (in section 2) to act as the authorized representative/agent on behalf of our organization and to legally bind our organization with respect to the above Project(s) for which we seek grant funding assistance managed through the Recreation and Conservation Office (Office).

WHEREAS, state grant assistance is requested by our organization to aid in financing the cost of the Project(s) referenced above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. Our organization has applied for or intends to apply for funding assistance managed by the Office for the above "Project(s)."
2. Michael McFarlane, Director Whatcom County Parks & Recreation is authorized to act as a representative/agent for our organization with full authority to bind the organization regarding all matters related to the Project(s), including but not limited to, full authority to: (1) approve submittal of a grant application to the Office, (2) enter into a project agreement(s) on behalf of our organization, (3) sign any amendments thereto on behalf of our organization, (4) make any decisions and submissions required with respect to the Project(s), and (5) designate a project contact(s) to implement the day-to-day management of the grant(s).
3. Our organization has reviewed the sample project agreement on the Recreation and Conservation Office's WEBSITE at: <https://rco.wa.gov/documents/manuals&forms/SampleProjAgreement.pdf>. We understand and acknowledge that if offered a project agreement to sign in the future, it will contain an indemnification and legal venue stipulation (applicable to any sponsor) and a waiver of sovereign immunity (applicable to Tribes) and other terms and conditions substantially in the form contained in the sample project agreement and that such terms and conditions of any signed project agreement shall be legally binding on the sponsor if our representative/agent enters into a project agreement on our behalf. The Office reserves the right to revise the project agreement prior to execution and shall communicate any such revisions with the above authorized representative/agent before execution.
4. Our organization acknowledges and warrants, after conferring with its legal counsel, that its authorized representative/agent has full legal authority to enter into a project agreement(s) on its behalf, that includes indemnification, waiver of sovereign immunity (as may apply to Tribes), and stipulated legal venue for lawsuits and other terms substantially in the form contained in the sample project agreement or as may be revised prior to execution.
5. Grant assistance is contingent on a signed project agreement. Entering into any project agreement with the Office is purely voluntary on our part.

6. Our organization understands that grant policies and requirements vary depending on the grant program applied to, the grant program and source of funding in the project agreement, the characteristics of the project, and the characteristics of our organization.
7. Our organization further understands that *prior to* our authorized representative/agent executing the project agreement(s), the RCO may make revisions to its sample project agreement and that such revisions could include the indemnification, the waiver of sovereign immunity, and the legal venue stipulation. Our organization accepts the legal obligation that we shall, prior to execution of the project agreement(s), confer with our authorized representative/agent as to any revisions to the project agreement from that of the sample project agreement. We also acknowledge and accept that if our authorized representative/agent executes the project agreement(s) with any such revisions, all terms and conditions of the executed project agreement (including but not limited to the indemnification, the waiver of sovereign immunity, and the legal venue stipulation) shall be conclusively deemed to be executed with our authorization.
8. Any grant assistance received will be used for only direct eligible and allowable costs that are reasonable and necessary to implement the project(s) referenced above.
9. Our organization acknowledges and warrants, after conferring with its legal counsel, that no additional legal authorization beyond this authorization is required to make the indemnification, the waiver of sovereign immunity (as may apply to Tribes), and the legal venue stipulation substantially in form shown on the sample project agreement or as may be revised prior to execution legally binding on our organization upon execution by our representative/agent.
10. If match is required for the grant, we understand our organization must certify the availability of match at least one month before funding approval. In addition, our organization understands it is responsible for supporting all non-cash matching share commitments to this project should they not materialize.
11. Our organization acknowledges that if it receives grant funds managed by the Office, the Office will pay us on only a reimbursement basis. We understand reimbursement basis means that we will only request payment from the Office after we incur grant eligible and allowable costs and pay them. The Office may also determine an amount of retainage and hold that amount until the Project is complete.
12. Our organization acknowledges that any property owned by our organization that is developed, renovated, enhanced, or restored with grant assistance must be dedicated for the purpose of the grant in perpetuity unless otherwise allowed by grant program policy, or Office in writing and per the project agreement or an amendment thereto.
13. This resolution/authorization is deemed to be part of the formal grant application to the Office.
14. Our organization warrants and certifies, after conferring with its legal counsel, that this resolution/authorization was properly and lawfully adopted following the requirements of our organization and applicable laws and policies and that our organization has full legal authority to commit our organization to the warranties, certifications, promises and obligations set forth herein.



## Project #18-2576, South Fork Park Multi-use Trail Development 2018

Current Status: Preapplication

### Project Details

**Primary Sponsor:** Whatcom County Parks & Recreation

**Primary Contact:** Rodney Lamb  
(360) 778-5858

rlamb@co.whatcom.wa.us

**Funding Program:** NOVA Nonmotorized

**Project Type:** Development

### Project Description

Whatcom County is seeking funding to construct a 5 mile multi-use trail at South Fork Park. The project is located near the town of Acme, WA and the proposed trail will connect a new parking and trailhead facility to two historic homestead properties located to the south. The trail connection is needed to provide public access to existing park properties that are currently difficult to access due to deed restrictions, adjacent private properties and Department of Natural Resources (DNR) timber lands. Whatcom County has secured a trail easement through the DNR properties that separate the northern park property (Galbraith Farm) from those properties located to the south (Overby and Nessel Farms). The trail easement allows Whatcom County to construct and maintain the proposed multi-use trail. When completed the trail will offer hikers, bicyclists, and equestrians a truly unique trail experience. All of the properties have a homesteading history dating back to the late 1800's with remnant structures and evidence of the rich history of the South Fork Valley. In order to highlight this history and that of the current land management efforts of the area, interpretive signage will be an integral component of the trail development. The completed project will serve approximately 35,000 visitors per year based on current use and visitor counts as similar facilities with the county park system.

### Project Overall Metrics (Outcomes, Benefits)

Category / Work Type / Metric

Application Answer

#### Supplemental Scoring Questions for Competitive Funds

How many NOVA recreationists actually will use this facility or project in a typical year? (Supplemental scoring question A1)

Project will serve 10,000 - 49,999 NOVA recreationists

What is the estimated number, and explain the methods for how the number was derived

Parks installed a trail counter at South Fork Park, and the estimated recreationists is based on 2017/2018 current usage plus an anticipated growth factor we've experienced in similar facilities each year.

#### Sites Improved

Project acres developed  
Project acres renovated

12.12  
0.00

#### Completion Date

Projected date of completion

11/01/2021

### Project Funding

Funding Request		Funding %	Sponsor Match Source	
NOVA Nonmotorized (FY2020)	\$200,000	21.49 %	Appropriation \ Cash	\$670,750
Sponsor Match	\$730,750	78.51 %	Cash Donations	\$10,000
Total Project Funding	\$930,750	100.00 %	Donated Equipment	\$15,000
			Donated Labor	\$35,000

Project Cost Summary		Project %	Admin/A&E %	Maximum for Selected Program
<b>DEVELOPMENT COSTS</b>				\$200,000
Development	\$775,750			
A&E	\$155,000		19.98 %	\$155,150 (20%)
Subtotal	\$930,750	100.00 %		
Total Cost Estimate	\$930,750	100.00 %		

### Worksites and Properties

County: Whatcom

Legislative Districts 2012: 42

Congressional Districts 2012: 01

Sections: 08

Township: T37NR05E

Coordinates: 48.71505246

-122.18689259

# Worksite #1: South Fork Park

Coordinates from Mapped Point:

Latitude: 48.71505246

Longitude: -122.18689259

Coordinates from Worksite

Latitude:

Longitude:

Directions:

**Worksite Description:** The project area includes four contiguous properites. Beginning at the north, Galbraith Farm (262 acres) is located at 1530 Mosquito Lake Road where the parking and trailhead facility is located. The second parcel to the east is DNR's Hutchinson Creek Block (260 acres), through which is where Whatcom County holds a trail easement to provide connectivity to Overby Farm (235 acres) to the south. Nessel Farm, the fourth and final property borders the southern boundary of Overby Farm.

**Site Access Directions:** From I-5 Northbound, take exit 255. Turn Right onto Sunset Drive (SR542) and head east fro 10.6 miles. Turn Right onto SR9 and head south for 6.9 miles. Turn Left onto Mosquito Lake Road and head east for 0.4 miles. South Fork Park Trailhead is on the Right.

**Worksite Address:**

1530 Mosquito Lake Road  
Deming, WA 98244

## Development Metrics (Outcomes, Benefits)

Category / Work Type / Metric	Application Answer	Work Type Costs
NOVA Primary Management Objective	Cycling (hard surface trail), Equestrian, Hiking / Walking	
NOVA Allowed Uses	Fishing, Gathering, Sightseeing, Wildlife viewing	
<b>Buildings and Structures</b>		
<b>Construct / install restroom</b>		
Total cost for Construct / install restroom		\$50,000.00
Number of restrooms	1 new, 0 renovated	
Select the restroom type	Vault toilets	
Provide the square feet of each restroom	210	
<b>Equestrian</b>		
<b>Develop equestrian facilities</b>		
Total cost for Develop equestrian facilities		\$15,000.00
Number of arenas	0 new, 0 renovated	
Number of corrals	0 new, 0 renovated	
Number of loading ramps	1 new, 0 renovated	
Select the equestrian amenities	Highlines	
<b>General Site Improvements</b>		
<b>Develop circulation paths or access routes</b>		
Total cost for development of circulation paths or access routes		\$7,500.00
Enter length of circulation paths and routes by surface type - Concrete	250	
Enter length of circulation paths and routes by surface type - Crushed rock	250	
Minimum width of the circulation paths or access routes	5	
Lighting provided (yes/no)	No	
<b>Develop viewpoint</b>		
Total cost for Develop viewpoint		\$2,250.00
Number of designated viewpoints	2 new, 0 renovated	
Select the viewpoint structures	Benches/seating	
Number of square feet of the viewing platform / shelter	75	
<b>Install signs/kiosk</b>		
Total cost for Install signs/kiosk		\$12,500.00
Number of kiosks	0 new, 0 renovated	
Number of interpretive signs/displays	4 new, 0 renovated	
Number of permanent entrance signs	0 new, 0 renovated	
Project involves installation of informational signs (yes/no)	Yes	
<b>Install site furnishings</b>		
Total cost for Install site furnishings		\$5,000.00
Select the site furniture / amenities	Bike racks, Other	
<b>Site Preparation</b>		
<b>General site preparation</b>		
Total cost for General site preparation		\$50,000.00
Acres of site preparation	12.12	
Number of trail miles for site preparation	5.00	
Buildings / structures to be demolished	N/A	
Select the site preparation activities	General site prep activities, Mobilization, Other, Surveying	
<b>Trails</b>		
<b>Trail development</b>		
Total cost for Trail development		\$200,000.00

Miles of hard surfaced trail developed / renovated by surface type - 3.00  
 Crushed stone  
 Miles of natural surfaced trail developed / renovated by surface type 2.00  
 - Natural surface  
 Trail design profile - Cross-slope (percent) 2  
 Trail design profile - Running slope (percent) 6  
 Trail design profile - Shoulder width (feet) 1  
 Trail design profile - Tread width (feet) 4  
 Select the trail structures Culverts, Pull-outs, Retaining walls, Switchbacks

**Trail bridge development**

Total cost for Trail bridge development \$400,000.00  
 Number of bridges developed or installed - Cable suspension 1

**Cultural Resources**

**Cultural resources**

Total cost for Cultural resources \$25,000.00  
 Acres surveyed for cultural resources 15.00  
 Number of trail miles surveyed for cultural resources 5.00

**Permits**

**Obtain permits**

Total cost to Obtain permits \$8,500.00  
 Number of permits required for implementation of project 8

**Architectural & Engineering**

**Architectural & Engineering (A&E)**

Total cost for Architectural & Engineering (A&E) \$155,000.00

**Development Questions**

- 1 of 9 Is the worksite(s) located within an existing park, wildlife refuge, natural area preserve, or other recreation or habitat site? If yes, name the area and specify if the land is owned by local, state or federal government.**  
 Yes, South Fork Park is comprised of three Whatcom County Park properties, and also includes an trail easement through DNR timber lands. Whatcom County owns Galbraith Farm, Overby Farm and Nessel Farm, collectively they are managed as a single facility named South Fork Park. A DNR trail easement connects Galbraith Farm to Overby Farm.
- 2 of 9 Does this project require an environmental review such as NEPA, SEPA, etc? If yes, when will the environmental review and the public comment/appeal period be completed?**  
 Yes, SEPA was completed in 2010 for the park master plan, and the project was issued a determination of non-significance (DNS).
- 3 of 9 Cultural Resources: Has the worksite been investigated for historical, archeological, or cultural resources? If yes, when did this occur and what agencies and tribes were consulted? Attach related documents (letters, surveys, agreements, etc.) to your project in PRISM.**  
 Unknown, Parks is unaware of any previous cultural resource investigations, however Parks has consulted with the Lummi and Nooksack Tribes regarding the location of the Hutchinson Creek Crossing.
- 4 of 9 Describe existing worksite site conditions. The answer to this question will be used in cultural resource consultation so please provide detailed information.**  
 The project site consists of three distinct parcels that were previous farmstead properties. Little remains of the original farms on the north and central properties (Galbraith & Overby), however Nessel Farm has several original structures that have been or will be restored to highlight the cultural richness of the South Fork Valley. The trail easement through the DNR property crosses Hutchinson Creek, and based on tribal consultation understand that sections of the river are important ceremonial sites. Coordination with local tribes will ensure that the proposed crossing doesn't impact these important ceremonial activities.
- 5 of 9 Describe any worksite ground disturbing work that will be necessary as part of the design process, such as geotech work. Include anticipated number of test sites, depth of disturbance, location, etc.**  
 Geotechnical investigations will be necessary at the proposed Hutchinson Creek Crossing to better understand subsurface conditions for the bridge abutments. Additionally, shovel probes will also be necessary to determine possible wetland boundaries within or near the project.
- 6 of 9 Cultural Resources: Describe any proposed ground disturbing activities that will take place as part of your project. This includes work conducted by hand or mechanized tools. Provide specific information including length, width, and depth of the ground disturbance. Ground disturbing work includes all restoration activities, geotech, fencing, demolition, etc. Avoid subjective phrases such as "ground disturbing activities will be minor".**  
 The proposed trail is approximately 5 miles long, and about half of that length occupies existing forest roads or reclaimed historic farm roads. Earthwork associated with these portions of the trail will be limited to removing organics, leveling the subgrade, and installing gravel base where on site native mineral soils are insufficient to provide a stable trail tread. Earthwork that is needed to construct the new portions of trail will include cutting a full-bench trail bed and all other necessary fill and grade needed to stabilize the disturbed areas adjacent to the proposed trail. Trail construction Best Management Practices (BMP's) and erosion control measures will be implemented to prevent soil erosion.
- 7 of 9 Give street address for this worksite if available.**  
 1530 Mosquito Lake Road, Deming, WA 98244
- 8 of 9 Cultural Resources: Are there any structures existing on the property (including tidegates, dikes, residential structures, bridges, rail grades, etc.)? If so, please list all existing structures. Indicate if any of these structures will be altered or demolished as a result of the project, and provide the following for each structure that could be altered or demolished: identifying name, year constructed, year(s) remodeled/renovated. Attach at least one photo of each altered structure.**  
 Yes, There are old farm building foundations at Galbraith Farm. The foundations have not been evaluated for their historic significance. Parks will coordinate with the Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation (DAHP) to properly evaluate and document the structures prior to any decision is made regarding their removal or incorporation into the proposed interpretive program. There are no known structures remaining on the Overby property. The Nessel Farm has five historic structures, and date from the late 1800's to mid 1950's. Over the past fifteen years there has been an effort to restore these structures and that



effort will continue as part of the park development. The buildings at Nessel Farm include a farmhouse (partial restoration 2017), a barn (restored in 2004), equipment shed (restored in 2005), machine shed (restored in 2017) and a farmhouse (partially restored in 2017). Restoration efforts will continue as part of the overall park development, and eventually will be open to the public during hours of operation.

- 9 of 9** **In the next 10 years, is there a chance that the worksite will sustain significant planned land disturbance as a result of human activity (such as timber harvesting)? If yes, explain:**  
No. No timber harvesting will occur on the Whatcom County owned parcels (Galbraith Farm, Overby Farm and Nessel Farm). Timber harvesting will likely occur in the area of the trail easement that connects Galbraith Farm to Overby Farm, as this property is owned and managed by DNR for sustainable timber harvesting activities. The trail lease negotiated by Whatcom County and DNR acknowledges this possibility, and requires cooperation of the county and state during such activities.

## Property for South Fork Park Worksite #1: South Fork Park

**Activity:** Development

**Landowner**

Whatcom County Parks & Recreation  
3373 Mount Baker Hwy  
Bellingham, WA 98226

**Control and Tenure**

**Instrument Type:** Sponsor owned property (deed)

**Purchase Type:**

**Term Length:** Perpetuity

**Expiration Date:**

**Note:**

**Landowner Type:** Local Government

## Overall Project Questions

- 1 of 18** **Is the project on State Owned Aquatic Lands? Please contact the Washington State Department of Natural Resources to make a determination. ([www.dnr.wa.gov/Publications/aqr\\_land\\_manager\\_map.pdf](http://www.dnr.wa.gov/Publications/aqr_land_manager_map.pdf))**  
No
- 2 of 18** **When this project is completed, what are the projected economic benefits to the community or region? Consider factors such as employment, tourism, environmental improvements, property values, tax revenues, and benefits to human health and wellness. The economic benefits may be realized by government, private businesses, or the general public. Reference existing studies or data. (750 characters max)**  
South Fork Park will provide a unique trail experience and will draw visitors from all parts of the county as well as the Seattle and British Columbia areas. Increased use of the park facility may likely benefit local businesses. Additionally, the trails have been shown to improve health by improving cardio vascular health, and also relieve stress which also benefits the local economy.
- 3 of 18** **Do you plan to restrict or limit general public availability or use of the site in any way? If yes, describe the type of restriction, the portion of the project area that will be restricted (an illustrative map may be requested), and the reason(s) the public will be restricted.**  
Yes. The park will be open from sunrise to sunset daily, and closed to the public at all other times as are our other park facilities in Whatcom County. Additionally, Whatcom County has agreed to coordinate trail closures with DNR when there are timber harvesting activities along or near the location of the trail easement area. This closure is for the safety of the public as well of logging operations. The closures are limited in nature and will be removed once harvest operations are completed.
- 4 of 18** **By statute, projects are required to be adjacent to or accessed by a nonhighway road. Identify & describe the nonhighway road that makes this project eligible.**  
This trail project is accessed by a 1/4 mile nonhighway road that is accessed off of Mosquito Lake Road. The road is a 24' wide two-way vehicular road that is constructed of asphalt for 600 feet and then gravel for 1/4 mile. The road provides access to a hiking / biking parking area and then continues as a 24' wide gravel access road to a equestrian parking area.
- 5 of 18** **Is the project site located within 30 miles of a city or town with a population of 25,000 or more? If yes, name the city or town and attach one map called Population Proximity Map under the Attachment Tab in PRISM.**  
Yes, Bellingham, Ferndale and Lynden all are within 30 miles and have populations of more than 25,000 each.
- 6 of 18** **Will this proposal create a new public park/recreation area where none presently exists? If yes, what will the area be named?**  
Yes, South Fork Park is a new park facility. Although the county has owned the properties for some time, they have been undeveloped until very recently with the construction of the trailhead facility at the northern property off of Mosquito Lake Road (Galbraith Farm). The proposed trail will provide a link to the other parcels that complete South Fork Park.
- 7 of 18** **Will this proposal renovate or expand an existing public park/recreation area? If yes, what is the name of the existing area?**  
Yes, although access to Galbraith Farm has been relatively easy even in it's undeveloped state, access to Overby Farm and Nessel Farm has been very difficult due to access. Constructing the trail from the trailhead at Galbraith Farm will greatly expand recreational trail opportunities for the visitors to South Fork Park.
- 8 of 18** **How does this proposal implement goals in your agency's planning document and/or the Statewide Comprehensive Plan (include references)**  
The South Fork Park trail development project implements several goals and policies of the County's Comprehensive Plan including: Policy 4F-4 by prioritizing improvements on existing county owned recreational sites; Policy 9A-1 South Fork Park provides a rural recreational facility that offers a unique trail experience of regional significance; Policy 9C13 working with other agencies to accomplish recreational goals. Additionally, the proposed trail will achieve several SCORP goals including serving rural populations over 45 years old and implementing outdoor accessibility.
- 9 of 18** **Describe how this project's scope of work will be carried out (contracted work, force account, volunteers, etc)?**  
The proposed trail development will utilize a combination of contracted work, volunteers and county staff force account. Our local Back Country Horsemen and Mountain Bike Coalition have extensive experience in trail construction and will be utilized to develop the trail. Additionally, the county maintenance staff will lead volunteer work parties and provide equipment resources. Lastly, we anticipate contracting some of the more challenging trail excavation and bridge construction with private contractors.
- 10 of 18** **Is this project a subsequent phase to a previously funded RCFB project? If yes, please identify the grant project number(s) if known.**  
Yes, IAC# 96-083A
- 11 of 18** **Does this application contain state, federal or other grants as part of the "sponsor match"? If "yes," name the grant(s) and date grant will be available.**

No

**12 of 18 Have you considered using youth crews or other natural resource program for this project? Explain.**

Yes, Yes, the proposed trail development will be constructed in-part by volunteer forces. Whatom County Parks will work with qualified and appropriate volunteer organizations to implement the proposed multi-use trail.

**13 of 18 Describe any required mitigation as a result of the action in this proposal. Will mitigation occur on this site or another location?**

There will likely be mitigation required in order to complete the trail construction. The mitigation will most likely be concentrated at the Hutchinson Creek bridge crossing and a small wetland complex crossing near the northern boundary of Overby Farm. Proposed mitigation will occur on site and as close to the impact as possible.

**14 of 18 Is any part of the scope of work included in this application required as mitigation for another project or action? E.g. FERC relicensing, Habitat Conservation Plan, legal settlement, etc. If yes, explain:**

No

**15 of 18 Describe the nature of any existing rights-of-way, easements, reversionary interests, etc. to the project area.**

The three parcels that make up South Fork Park have individual easements within their respective boundaries. Galbraith Farm has a 500 foot riparian conservation easement held by the Whatcom Land Trust, and a natural gas pipeline easement held by Williams Pipeline. Overby Farm has a conservation easement held by the Whatcom Land Trust, and an assignment of rights-Salmon Recovery Funding Board held by the State of Washington. Nessel Farm has a conservation easement held by the Whatcom Land Trust.

**16 of 18 What is the estimated useful life of the facilities to be developed, renovated, replaced, or maintained through this scope of work?**

The trail development itself with proper maintenance will last indefinitely, other site improvements such as the vault toilet have a serviceable life of approximately 50 years.

**17 of 18 When will the project be completed and made available to the public for outdoor recreation uses? Please note that funding may not be awarded for about one year from application submittal and it may take one or more years for you to complete the project.**

The project is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2021.

**18 of 18 Does your project address or accommodate the anticipated effects of climate change? If yes or maybe, please describe how.**

Maybe, The South Fork Park Trail project will address climate change through the interpretive element that highlights the Valley's historic and continued land-use story. The theme will include interpretation of historic and present day land use, adaptations in forestry, fisheries and farming and how that translated into development of community. The working landscape interpretive theme will highlight DNR's sustainable forest practices and carbon sequestration, historic farming practices that have evolved into modern day techniques as well as community supported agriculture.

## Project Permits

Permit Type	Applied Date	Received Date	Expiration Date	Permit Number
Archeological & Cultural Resources (EO 05-05)				
Building Permit				
Clear & Grade Permit				
Health Permit				
Hydraulics Project Approval [HPA]				
Nationwide Permit				
Shoreline Permit				
Water Quality Certification [Section 401]				

### Permit Questions

1 of 1 **Will this project require a federal permit? If this project requires a federal permit, will the scope of that permit cover ALL proposed ground disturbing activities included in this project? You may need to request a pre-application meeting with the permitting agency to answer this question.**

Yes, The trail crosses a small wetland complex near the north end of Overby Farm. This permit will not likely cover all ground disturbing activities associated with the project as Whatcom County's Critical Areas Ordinance will require review and approval of fill and grade activities near other critical areas.

## Project Attachments

Attachment Type	Title	Attach Date
Control & Tenure Documentation	deed-nesset-farm.pdf.pdf	11/02/2018
Control & Tenure Documentation	deed-overby-farm.pdf.pdf	11/02/2018
Control & Tenure Documentation	deed-galbraith-farm.pdf.pdf	11/02/2018
Easement	South Fork Trail Easement_2017.pdf.pdf	11/02/2018
Map: Boundary map – Draft	SouthFork_Globelmagery_18-2576_optimized.pdf.pdf	11/02/2018
Map: Trail and or Facility Map	SouthFork_GrantApp_TrailMap_18-2576_optimized.pdf.pdf	11/02/2018
Photo	IMG_2752.JPG.jpg	11/05/2018
Photo	SF_HTH_000.jpg.jpg	11/02/2018
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Photo	South Fork-Nooksack River.jpg.jpg	11/02/2018
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