

## COVER MEMO

**Briefing Date/Time:** May 26, 2026  
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**Subject:** Budd Inlet Cleanup - DOF Contract Amendment  
**Purpose:**  Information Only  Decision Needed

### **Type of Agenda Item:**

Advisory

### **Background:**

Dalton, Olmsted, and Fuglevand (DOF), an environmental consulting firm, is under contract with the Port of Olympia to execute the Budd Inlet sediment investigation Agreed Order with the Washington Department of Ecology (DOE). The attached contract amendment proposes extending the DOF contract through December 31, 2028, and increasing the budget by \$3,703,000 for a new total not to exceed amount of \$14,294,881.00. The contract extension and increase in budget were expected and the cost will be almost fully covered by Department of Ecology (DOE) Remedial Action Grants and legislative appropriations.

### **Summary and Financial Impact:**

The Port signed Agreed Order DE 6083 with the DOE in 2012. Per the Agreed Order, the Port is required, through sediment sampling, to determine the depth and breadth of contamination and propose cleanup options. In 2023, the Agreed Order was amended to expand the project area to all of Budd Inlet where sediment contamination exists. The Port split the project into three sub-areas to make the project more manageable.

The original DOF contract was executed in 2022 to help the Port accomplish the requirements of the Agreed Order. The contract scope and budget have progressed in a way to match available funds. Most recently, the Port was awarded a legislative appropriation of \$3,000,000 through the Washington Department of Commerce to advance the project. We are now ready to ask for this contract amendment to advance the project towards completion.

There is currently \$1,423,000 remaining in the existing contract. This contract amendment will add \$3,703,000, bringing the total remaining contract budget to \$5,126,000 to complete the scope of work through 2028. The \$3,000,000 appropriation will be used as matching funds for \$3,000,000 DOE Remedial Action Grant funds. These funds should allow execution of the Agreed Order through 2028 with little or no out of pocket funding.

A detailed scope of work, schedule, and budget are included as attachment "A" to this proposed contract amendment.

**Alignment with Vision 2050:**

This proposal aligns with the Vision 2050 goal to "Emphasize sustainability in all planning and actions and provide updates to the community." Specifically, this project implements and the Action Summary item #35 to "Sustain legacy pollution clean-up projects."

**Environmental Considerations and Review:**

This contract amendment will support completion of the contaminated sediment investigation in Budd Inlet and will support development of a Cleanup Action Plan.

**Staff Recommendation:**

Recommend approval to execute the DOF contract amendment.

**Document(s) Attached:**

Proposed DOF Contract Amendment