

September 6, 2024

Washington State Department of Ecology
Post Office Box 47600
Olympia, Washington 98504-7600
Attention: Ria Berns, Water Resources Program

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Dear Ria Berns:

Enclosed is a copy of the fully executed MOU between State of Washington Department of Health (DOH) and Department of Ecology (Ecology) outlining the coordination and cooperation between the two agencies in relationship to water resource needs, including implementing the Municipal Water Law.

The DOH Office of Drinking Water (ODW) supports and plans to fully implement the work and responsibilities outlined in the MOU. We believe the MOU aligns with DOH's responsibilities for ensuring safe and reliable drinking water for the people of Washington State and Ecology's administration of Washington State's water resource program.

We appreciate the time and effort Ecology staff contributed to our joint work and we look forward to continuing to work together to provide safe and reliable drinking water, sustainable water resources, and water right management for residents of Washington state.

If you have questions, please contact Brad Burnham, Policy and Planning Section Manager, at brad.burnham@doh.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Holly R. Myers
Director, Office of Drinking Water
Environmental Public Health
Washington State Department of Health

Enclosures

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