

Interlocal Agreement with University of Washington Sea Grant Program

Hershman Fellowship Positions

Aug. 11, 2020

Request

- Authorization for Executive Director to sign an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with UW Sea Grant program.
- The ILA will allow the Port to host two 12-month Hershman Fellowship positions (post-grads)
- Each position requires a payment of \$29,000 which will be funded through 2020-21 expense budget for Env. Center of Expertise
- No funding authorization requested at this time

Background

- Port applied as a host agency in March 2020
- Participated in a matching workshop in May 2020
- Interviewed seven qualified candidates for two positions that will be shared between Environmental and OEDI
- Advance both environmental and social equity priorities
- Matched two great candidates that have the right combination of skills and enthusiasm:
 - Elise Lasky (UW - Marine Affairs and Public Administration)
 - Dorothy Mulkern (UW - Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning)

Scope of Work

- Work in partnership with Environmental, OEDI and External Relations to advance near-term Port priorities:
 - Climate and air pollution
 - Habitat restoration and blue carbon initiatives
 - Ocean acidification action plan
 - Environmental outreach, engagement and stewardship
 - Environmental & societal data analysis (Equity Index project)
- Provide valuable career experience in maritime field

Schedule

- Commission authorization Aug. 11, 2020
- Execute ILA Sept. 7, 2020
- Fellowships start Sept. 16, 2020
- Fellowships end August 2021