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Meeting Date: September 13, 2022
Washington Sea Grant Fellowship Program
Interlocal Agreement with
University of Washington
September 13, 2022

Request

- Authorize Executive Director to sign a 3-year Interlocal Agreement with University of Washington
- Funding authorized in 2022-23 expense budget (\$40,000)
- Subsequent years cost will increase by \$10,000 amount/year
- Fellow is a UW employee embedded within Maritime Environment & Sustainability Department for 12 months
- Start date October 1, 2022

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Washington Sea Grant Fellow Program

- Washington Sea Grant provides funding and support for a variety of graduate fellowships.
- The Port has hosted 3 Hershman Fellows since September 2020
- Hosting a Keystone Fellow in 2022-2023
 - “Broaden participation in marine and coastal professions making them more inclusive of the full diversity of our communities and responsive to their needs and perspectives. The Fellowship recruits and engages early career professionals who are underrepresented in the marine science, policy, and industry workforce providing them with experience, training and mentorship in these fields.”

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Scope of Work

- Participate in design and monitoring of mitigation bank projects
- Support environmental stewardship and community engagement initiatives
- Support ongoing and new “blue carbon” restoration initiatives
 - monitoring kelp, eelgrass, and oysters
- Coordinate sustainable shorelines bankline assessments
- Science communications (i.e., blog posts, interpretive signage)

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