



## MEMORANDUM

To: Whatcom Transportation Policy Board  
From: Lethal Coe, Senior Planner  
Date: October 5, 2020  
Subject: WCOG 2020 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications

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**Amendment #5 (20-10)** of the 2020 WCOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) includes the following:

1. Remove Whatcom County *Birch Bay Drive & Pedestrian Facility* project. The project obligated \$326,786 of the reallocated federal funds in June. This project was allocated an additional \$500,000 of STBG funds in preparation to receive Redistributed federal funds, should they become available. However, redistributed funds were not received this year by the state and the removal of this project enables us to retain our fiscal constraint.
2. Amend WSDOT project *SR 539/Duffner Ditch – Fish Passage* to revise the preliminary engineering and right-of-way, and add the construction phase. This project will remove the current fish passage barrier and replace with a passable barrier. This project is funded through the National Highway Performance Program and state Connecting Washington Account.

Formal TIP Amendments require review and resolution from the Policy Board to amend the current TIP and make federal funding accessible.

**ACTION REQUESTED: Approve Amendment #5 for the Whatcom Council of Governments 2020 Transportation Improvement Program.**

Whatcom Council of Governments  
2020 Transportation Improvement Program

**Amendment #5 (20-10) Table**

#	Agency	Project Title	Amended Action	Added Funds	Total Cost	Fed Source
1	Whatcom	<i>Birch Bay Drive &amp; Pedestrian Facility</i>	Remove	-826,786	11,715,801	STBG
2	WSDOT	<i>SR 539/Duffner Ditch – Fish Passage</i>	Add CN phase	6,133,695	7,424,819	NHPP

**No Policy Board Action Required for Administrative Modifications**

**Recent Administrative Modifications** - administrative modifications are less substantial project changes and are administered by WCOG staff.

Agency	Project	Modification Administered	Total Costs	Federal Source
Blaine	<i>Bell Rd and Peace Portal Ln Improvements</i>	Change the project description and length to add northbound lane.	475,000	STBG