

June 7, 2019

Elizabeth Loudon, Grant Administrator King County Water and Land Resources Division KSC-NR-0505 201 South Jackson Street, Suite 600 Seattle, WA 98104-3855

Subject: Waterworks Grant – NE 40th Street Stormwater Treatment Retrofit

Dear Ms. Loudon,

Sound Transit is pleased to offer our support of the City of Redmond's application for grant funding to expand the proposed NE 40th Street Stormwater Treatment Retrofit project.

This project represents a partnership that developed between Microsoft, Sound Transit, and the City of Redmond.

- Microsoft funded a study to identify the best option to improve water quality in Lake Sammamish through stormwater runoff treatment.
- Redmond is providing the location for the proposed project within a City of Redmond stormwater easement; is managing design and construction of the facility; and has also committed to maintaining the new facility.
- Sound Transit is constructing a new light rail station adjacent to the project site using a design that accommodates the new stormwater facility. Sound Transit support for this project is not related to any environmental or permitting requirements.
- Microsoft is funding initial construction of the facility, while Redmond is seeking additional funding to expand the facility to treat a larger area and improve effectiveness of the final project.

Construction of the expanded facility now will reduce construction impacts to the public in the future and provides the best use of public funds.

Sound Transit supports efforts like this one to construct stormwater runoff treatment retrofit projects that will improve water quality in Lake Sammamish, to the benefit of fish and wildlife and the public who enjoy recreation uses in the lake.

Sincerely,

Mike Bell Sound Transit

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Dear Ms. Loudon,

Microsoft is pleased to support the City of Redmond's application for grant funding to expand the proposed NE 40th Street Stormwater Treatment Retrofit project.

As part of Microsoft's commitment to sustainability, Microsoft provided funding for the City's use design and construction of stormwater runoff treatment facilities to benefit water quality in Lake Sammamish. The funding is enough to retrofit approximately 17 acres of State Route 520, the area that the City identified as having the highest pollution load in the basin.

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- 1. Microsoft funded the study to identify the best option to improve water quality in Lake Sammamish through stormwater runoff treatment.
- Redmond is providing the location for the proposed project within a
 City of Redmond stormwater easement; is managing design and
 construction of the facility; and the City is also committed to
 maintaining the new facility.
- Sound Transit has designed and is constructing a new light rail station adjacent to the project site to best accommodate the new stormwater facility.

Microsoft has provided funding for the project, and the City is seeking additional grant funding to expand the size of the proposed facility to provide

treatment for a larger area, thereby improving its effectiveness at pollutant removal.

Thank you for your consideration of funding these improvements which benefit the public who use our roadways, people recreating in Lake Sammamish, along with fish and wildlife.

Sincerely,

Jim Stanton, Senior Community Affairs Manager, AICP Microsoft Real Estate & Security

CC: Steve Hitch, City of Redmond