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February 23, 2023

Mark Freiberger, PE
Director of Public Works, Sedro-Woolley
325 Metcalf Street
Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

RE: 2023 Grant Program Funding Request - Jones/ John Liner/ Trail Road Corridor Project

Dear Mr. Freiberger,

We write to express our continued support for the Jones/John Liner/ Trail Road Corridor project planned by the City of Sedro-Woolley.

The transportation improvements included in this project are a vital component of the joint plan to revitalize the former Northern State Hospital Property in Sedro-Woolley. Skagit County is a partner in this revitalization project with the Port of Skagit and Sedro-Woolley, with the collective goal of redeveloping the former Northern State property as the Sedro-Woolley Innovation for Tomorrow (SWIFT) Center.

Transit improvements along the Jones/John Liner/ Trail Road Corridor were a major assumption in the transportation analysis prepared as part of the Planned Action Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the new SWIFT Center. We support the proposed project to help the City of Sedro-Woolley fulfill its EIS mitigation requirements relating to the City's transportation system improvements, to support development of the SWIFT Center and to further additional family-wage jobs in Sedro-Woolley.

Sincerely,

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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