

## **Staff Report**

February 7, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

Hydrogeological Support Services Presenter: Sam Adams, Utilities Manager Time Estimate: 5 minutes

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**BACKGROUND:** This is amendment number 2 to our current professional services agreement with Pacific Groundwater Group for \$27,546. The prior original agreement and first amendment had a total not to exceed amount of \$68,684.

## SUMMARY:

Pacific Groundwater Group (PGG) has been providing the City of Camas professional services related to the City's groundwater wells at the Washougal Well Field for several years. The overall goal is to consolidate water rights at wells 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12 and 14 at the Washougal Well Field. This will allow the City to better manage our water rights and allow the City to fully utilize our withdraws from the wellfield. PGG also supports the City with other groundwater issues and compliance with the Department of Ecology.

## **EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:**

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

Continued support services related to the City's groundwater rights.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

N/A

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement?

N/A

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

The City and our water customers will benefit from increased water reliability of our water system.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

N/A

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? Please provide available data to illustrate this impact.

N/A

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities?

N/A

What potential hurdles exists in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

The maintenance staff will need to maintain the Washougal Well Field to ensure future functionality and continued maintenance.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results?

Staff will be working closely with our consultant and Department of Ecology to obtain approvals for the full utilization of our water rights.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy or other adopted resolution?

This item is consistent our 2019 Water System Plan goals to increase water rights and water production for a growing population.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** This item will cost the Water Utility an additional \$27,546. The Water Utility has funds available to support this effort.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends this item be placed on the February 22, 2022 regular Council meeting Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.