



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON  
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 7.F.  
For Meeting of: November 4, 2024

**ITEM TITLE:** Resolution authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Union Gap for stormwater laboratory services

**SUBMITTED BY:** Scott Schafer, Director of Public Works  
\* Mike Price, Wastewater/Stormwater Manager

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

The City of Yakima (City) and the City of Union Gap (Union Gap) each operate stormwater programs under the Department of Ecology Eastern Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit. The permit requires that each permittee perform E. Coli testing on samples collected from selected streams in the Mid-Yakima River Basin at a frequency of six times per year.

Union Gap found that no local commercial laboratories could provide the required testing services and consequently requested permission to utilize the City Wastewater Treatment Plant laboratory services to perform the required testing on the Union Gap samples. The City of Yakima owns and operates a State Certified Laboratory at the Yakima Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility that has the ability to conduct such E. Coli testing in accordance with the Department of Ecology.

The attached Interlocal Agreement makes the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant laboratory bacterial testing services available to Union Gap with compensation from Union Gap to the City as set forth in the Yakima Municipal Code.

**ITEM BUDGETED:** N/A

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25:** A Safe and Healthy Yakima

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

[Resolution UG Stormwater Services 10-25-24.docx](#)  
[Inter-Local Agreement.pdf](#)