

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 24-507

ALLOCATION OF CONSERVATION FUTURES PROPERTY TAX FUNDS AND
CONSERVATION FUTURES TAX FUNDS RETURN TO FUND BALANCE

WHEREAS, Snohomish County Code Chapter 4.14 establishes the Snohomish County Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund and the Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board (“Advisory Board”), whose duties include the review and recommendation of projects to be funded with Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County advertised the opportunity for project sponsors to submit applications for Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds and received 7 applications from two non-profits, two cities, and Snohomish County by the application due date of August 16, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2024, the Advisory Board listened to project presentations, reviewed the project proposals and voted to recommend fully funding all 7 projects for a total amount of \$7,295,976.00 (Seven Million, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars) through the Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund; and

WHEREAS, recommendations by the Advisory Board are forwarded through the Snohomish County Executive to the Snohomish County Council for review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County has successfully completed a number of projects, and received notices of projects that will be terminated. The result of those completions and terminations left available funds that can now be returned to the Conservation Futures Tax Fund in the total amount of (One Million, Five Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand, Three Hundred Eighteen Dollars, Eighty-Nine Cents) \$1,537,318.89.

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, the Snohomish County Council approves the following:

Section 1. The following project recommendation(s) are hereby approved for funding allocation with proceeds from the Snohomish County Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund:

SPONSOR	PROJECT	FUNDING
Forterra NW	CF24-01 Pioneer Highway Conservation Easement	\$154,352.00

Forterra NW	CF24-02 Old Pacific Highway Conservation Easement	\$193,274.00
NW Forterra	CF24-03 Ninety Farms Conservation Easement	\$554,750.00
Tulalip Foundation	CF24-04 Pilchuck River Cooperative Acquisition	\$1,041,000.00
Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Surface Water Management	CF24-05 Thomas' Eddy Phase 2 – Moga Acquisition	\$3,393,900.00
City of Everett	CF24-06 Snohomish to Sound Trail Section Acquisition	\$1,868,450.00
City of Edmonds	CF24-07 Sierra Park Expansion/Alderwood Water District Property Acquisition	\$90,250.00
	Total Allocation	\$7,295,976.00

Section 2. The following recommendation to return unexpended project grant funds to the Conservation Futures fund balance is hereby approved:

SPONSOR	PROJECT	FUNDING
Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Parks and Recreation	Whitehorse Trail-Fortson Mill	\$74,523.14
Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Parks and Recreation	Catherine Creek – Centennial Trail Connection Phase 1	\$341,250.00
Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Surface Water Management	Little Bear Creek Acquisition	\$203,176.15
Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Surface Water Management	Clearing at Cutthroat Creek	\$18,525.70
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources-Surface Water Management	South Slough Phase 2 Acquisition	\$11,195.00

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Parks and Recreation	Catherine Creek Acquisition - Centennial Trail Connection Phase 2	\$888,648.90
	Total Funds to Return:	\$1,537,318.89

Section 3. The Snohomish County Executive is authorized to execute all Agreements with non-County project sponsors, together with all related documents including amendments, in order to provide reimbursement funding up to the total amount of **\$7,295,976.00** (Seven Million, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars).

Section 4. The Snohomish County Executive is authorized to execute all appraisal, survey, and Purchase and Sale Agreements for County sponsored projects including amendments, in order to facilitate closing of these approved transactions.

Section 5. The Snohomish County Executive or the Property Officer of Facilities Management is authorized to take all actions consistent with the Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreements that are reasonably necessary to complete the transactions contemplated by the Purchase and Sale Agreements. The authorized actions include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) executing closing documents (ii) paying reasonable closing costs actually incurred and (iii) execute any other document necessary to complete the authorized purchases on behalf of the Snohomish County.

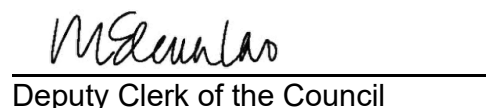
PASSED this 18th day of December, 2024.

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Snohomish County, Washington



Council Chair

ATTEST:



Deputy Clerk of the Council