

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE
AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Snohomish County Council will hold a public hearing to consider Proposed Ordinance 22-011 on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. at 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, 8th Floor, Jackson Board Room, Everett, WA, in conjunction with a remote meeting platform via the following Zoom link:

Zoom Webinar link: <https://zoom.us/j/94846850772>

Dial in: (253) 215 8782 or (301) 715 8592

Meeting ID: 948 4685 0772

Note: Please check the Council webpage 24 hours prior to the scheduled hearing time for the most up-to-date information <https://snohomish.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>, or contact the Council Clerk at 425-388-3494 or at contact.council@snoco.org.

BACKGROUND: The proposed ordinance updates Chapter 3.42 SCC to be consistent with recent amendments to Chapter 17.10 RCW, and to transfer administrative support, appointment, and supervision responsibilities from the Director of the Department of Public Works to the Director of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. A summary is as follows:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 22-011

RELATING TO THE COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD;
AMENDING CHAPTER 3.42 SCC

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 3.42.010, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 10-083 on October 27, 2010, is amended to read:

3.42.010 Established – membership – qualifications – appointments.

Pursuant to chapter 17.10 RCW, a county noxious weed control board, hereinafter referred to as the "board," is hereby established. The board shall consist of five voting members. At least ~~four~~ three of the voting members shall be engaged in the primary production of agricultural products. There shall be one non-voting member who shall be the county extension director or an extension representative appointed by the county extension director. The council shall divide the county into five districts, none of which shall overlap and each of which shall be of the same approximate area, and shall appoint a voting member for each district.

Section 2. Snohomish County Code Section 3.42.050, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 10-083 on October 27, 2010, is amended to read:

3.42.050 Administration.

(1) The board shall employ or otherwise provide a county noxious weed coordinator, hereafter referred to as the "coordinator," through the county personnel system, pursuant to RCW 17.10.060, with the director of the department of ~~(public works)~~ conservation and natural resources as the appointing authority for the coordinator. The coordinator may be classified as full time or seasonal as determined by the director of the department of ~~(public works)~~ conservation and natural resources in consultation with the board. The coordinator shall comply with the county personnel policies. These policies require supervision from the director of the department of ~~(public works)~~ conservation and natural resources or ~~(his/her)~~ the director's designee for all purposes including authority regarding appointment, termination or employee discipline.

(2) The coordinator's duties shall include management of the annual noxious weed control program, including but not limited to:

(a) Supervision of the inspection of land to determine the presence of noxious weeds;

(b) Preparation of the annual program and preliminary budget for approval by the ~~(board and the)~~ county council;

(c) Management of the board's annual program of work which includes four elements: the weed control program; the education program; the enforcement and regulation program; and the monitoring program.

- (3) The coordinator will be accountable to the board for meeting the fiscal and budgetary restraints set forth by the board and the county council. The coordinator will provide the board with a budgetary review of expenditures and balances at the regular meetings of the board or as requested by the board.
- (4) Subject to budgetary control by the county council, the board may request that the director of the department of ~~((public works))~~ conservation and natural resources assign additional department employees as the board deems necessary for the administration of the county's noxious weed control program. Such employees shall be county classified positions subject to the provisions of title 3A SCC. While the board shall establish the annual noxious weed control program to be carried out by such employees, they shall be subject to the supervision of the director of the department of ~~((public works))~~ conservation and natural resources or ~~((his/her))~~ the director's designee for all purposes including decisions regarding appointment, termination or employee discipline.
- (5) Administrative support for the board shall be provided by the department of ~~((public works))~~ conservation and natural resources. Subject to the limitations of budgetary appropriations, such support shall include, but not be limited to, office space, vehicles and equipment as well as payroll, accounting, grants administration and all other necessary financial services. All expenditures of board appropriations shall be approved by the ~~((chairman))~~ chair of the board, or ~~((his/her))~~ the chair's designee, before being authorized by the department.
- (6) The board may seek and recommend that the executive, in accordance with SCC 2.10.010(25), apply for grants to support the county noxious weed control program. Grant contracts shall be approved in accordance with SCC 2.10.010 and 3.04.140.

At the hearing, Council may consider alternatives/amendments to the proposed ordinance.

Where to Get Copies of the Proposed Ordinance: Copies of the full ordinance and related documentation are available upon request by calling the Snohomish County Council Office at (425) 388-3494, 1-800-562-4367 x3494, TDD 1-800-877-8339, or by e-mailing Contact.Council@snoco.org.

Website Access: The ordinance and related documents can be accessed through the Council's website at <https://snohomish.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx> (File 2022-0241) or <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/2134/Council-Hearings-Calendar> - Hearings Calendar.

Public Testimony: All interested persons may testify concerning the above-described matter at the time and place indicated above or by remote participation in the meeting. Written testimony is encouraged and may be sent to Snohomish County Council, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 609, Everett, WA 98201, faxed to 425 388-3496, or e-mailed to contact.council@snoco.org. Submitting testimony 24 hours prior to the hearing will ensure copies are provided to Council and appropriate staff in advance of the hearing. (Note: All public testimony are public records and may be subject to disclosure pursuant to RCW Chapter 42.56. Any contact information provided will be available to the public on the Council's website.)

American Disabilities Act Notice: Accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please make arrangements one week prior to the hearing by calling Elena Lao at 425-388-3494, 1-800-562-4367 x3494, TDD 1-800-877-8339, or e-mail elena.lao@snoco.org.

Dated this 14th day of April, 2022.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
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Council Chair

ATTEST:



Asst. Clerk of the Council

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