

Committee: Conservation, Sustainability, and Recreation Analyst: Nicole Gorle

ECAF:	2022-0460	2022-0466	2022-0467	2022-0468
Motion:	22-197	22-198	22-199	22-200

Date: May 4, 2022

Consideration:

Approve four appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Board.

Background:

The <u>Agricultural Advisory Board</u> (Board) was created in 1991 through Ordinance 91-122. The board is tasked with advising the Council and Executive on the County's comprehensive plan, regulations to implement the comprehensive plan and how they impact agricultural issues, and other matters of agricultural policy which may be referred to the council or executive.

The Board consists of 11 members:

- Five industry members, one from each of the following: dairy, nursery, livestock, commodity crops, and agricultural direct marketing.
- Two members representing diking, drainage, and flood districts, one from Snohomish River basin and one from Stillaguamish River basin.
- One member who is a county resident engaged in equine industry.
- One member recommended by the Snohomish County Farm Bureau.
- Two members who reside in basins, one from Snohomish River basin and one from Stillaguamish River basin.

Board Meetings:

Frequency:Second Tuesday of every monthTime:1:00 p.m.Location:Robert J Drewel Building via Zoom

Current Proposal:

Motion	Appointee	Position	Term Expires	Council District
22-197	Allyson Green	Equine industry	04/19/2026	5

If approved, Allyson would serve an initial term on the board. Allyson is a professional equestrian rainier who has been riding since the age of seven. Additionally, Allyson is a real estate agent and former firefighter volunteer.

		22-198	Eric Fritch	Industry - Livestock	04/19/2026	4
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If approved, Eric would be reappointed to a second four-year term on the board. Eric has raised beef and poultry in 4-H and owns a 132-acre parcel where Eric currently raises beef cattle and rents to beginning farmers.

	22-199	Jeremy Visser	Industry – Dairy	04/19/2026	1
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If approved, Jeremy would be reappointed to a second four-year term on the board. Jeremy operates several milk and dairy farms in the county and has a passion for dairy.

22-200	David Youngquist	Resident - Stillaguamish River Basin*	04/19/2026	1
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If approved, David would be reappointed to a second four-year term on the board. David is a resident of the Stillaguamish River basin and an agronomist versed in many commercial crops produced in Snohomish County.

*Note: the position stated on page 2 of Motion 22-200 is incorrect. As drafted it reads Representing the Livestock industry and it should read Representing the Stillaguamish River Basin.

<u>2022</u> Budget: None - This appointment will have no significant fiscal impact on the County budget. Members are eligible for reimbursement of millage and other associated costs, but must be covered through funds allocated annually to the department.

Future Budget Impact: None

Handling: Normal

Approved-as-to-form: n/a

Risk Management: Yes

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Attachment: None

Amendments: None

Request:

1) For Council to direct the clerks to correct the second page of Motion 22-200 so the position reads Representing the Stillaguamish River Basin; and

2) Move all four motions to GLS on May 18 for consideration.