

ITEM TITLE:

Allocation of Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds

DEPARTMENT:

Conservation & Natural Resources

ORIGINATOR:

Kye Iris

PURPOSE:

Approve Conservation Futures Board funding recommendation for allocation of Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds

BACKGROUND:

November 21, 1988 – The Snohomish County Council established the Snohomish County Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund as per Snohomish County Code Chapter 4.14.

September 20, 1989 – The Snohomish County Council, by amended Ordinance, established a Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board as per Snohomish County Code Chapter 4.14; duties include the review and recommendation of applications for projects to be funded with Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds.

April 20, 2022 – The Board directed staff to proceed with a grant round for consideration of funding recommendations . The amount of funds available from the estimated Conservation Futures Property Tax through end of year 2022, including the 2021 bond totaled approximately \$16,707,363.84. The board may choose to recommend allocation of some or all that amount.

June 29, 2022 – The Board, at its zoom meeting heard the grant presentations from the 5 project sponsors and 4 Letters of Intent to inform the board of future acquisition opportunities. The board deliberated and voted at the meeting. After careful deliberation the Board recommended fully funding each of the five (5) projects as follows:

CF22-01	The Clearing at Cutthroat Creek	Darcey Hughes, SWM Funding Coordinator, DCNR – SWM Division	9.21	5	\$298,000.00	full		
CF22-02	Flowing Lake – Laz Legacy	Thomas Hartzell, Senior Park Planner, DCNR – Parks Division	59.64	5	\$2,222,200.00	full		
CF22-03	Lake Serene Phase 2	Michael Storace, Project Manager, Forterra NW	102.05	5	\$354,000.00	full		
CF22-04	Woods Lake Acquisition	Leanne Weiss, Senior Project Manager, Forterra NW	40	5	\$772,850.00	full		
CF22-05	Stillaguamish Basin Farmland Easements	Vanessa Hague, Program Manager, Conservation Transactions, Forterra NW	235.29	1	\$1,050,920.00	full		
	Letters of Intent	TOTALS			\$4,697,970.00			
LOI22-06	Holly Neighborhood Stormwater Park	Brad Chenoweth, City of Everett	3.03	2	\$1,500,000.00	Reviewed		

LOI22-07	Gadway Parcel	Tom Murdoch, Senior Naturalist, DCNR – Parks Division	5.25	1	TBD	Reviewed	
LOI22-08	Kraetz - Portage Creek	Vanessa Hague, Program Manager, Conservation Transactions, Forterra NW	?	1	TBD	Reviewed	
LOI22-09	Ducks Unlimited – North Ebey Island	C. K. Eidem, Regional Biologist, Ducks Unlimited	105	2	\$2,000,000.00	Reviewed	

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

EXPEND: FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
185-5091916101	\$3,293,050.00		
185-5091916101		\$1,404,920.00	
TOTAL		\$4,697,970.00	

REVENUE: FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
TOTAL			

DEPARTMENT FISCAL IMPACT NOTES: Funding available within current budget

CONTRACT INFORMATION:

ORIGINAL _____ CONTRACT# _____ AMOUNT _____
 AMENDMENT _____ CONTRACT# _____ AMOUNT _____

Contract Period

ORIGINAL START _____ END _____
 AMENDMENT START _____ END _____

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/COMMENTS:

DOCUMENT TYPES:

_____ BUDGET ACTION: _____ GRANT APPLICATION
 _____ Emergency Appropriation _____ ORDINANCE
 _____ Supplemental Appropriation _____ Amendment to Ord. # _____
 _____ Budget Transfer _____ PLAN
 _____ CONTRACT: _____ **X** MOTION/OTHER ACTION
 _____ New
 _____ Amendment

