



Public Infrastructure and Conservation

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2025-0232

Motion: 25-024

Type:

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

Requested Handling:

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
- No
- N/A

Subject: Reconveyance of Sky Valley Sportsman's Park.

Scope: Approve the reconveyance of property back to the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.

Duration: N/A

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Reconveying the property back to WSDNR will save time and money needed to maintain the large parcel of real property that is no longer useful for the original purposes intended.

Authority Granted: *Authorizes the reconveying of the Sky Valley Sportsman's Park to WSDNR and authorizes the Property Officer of the Department of Facilities Management to sign all documents necessary to effectuate the execution and implementation of the park, under RCW 79.22.300.*

Background: In 2011, Washington State Department of Natural Resources conveyed approximately 146-acres for the "Sky Valley Sportsman's Park" for use by Snohomish County as a public park and shooting range to the Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The property is located on the Sultan Basin Road, northeast of the City of Sultan. The property belongs to the Forest Board Transfer Trust.

From 2012 through 2019, Snohomish County worked through the site feasibility for the intended park facility. In 2019, a Critical Area Reconnaissance Report was completed which was the result of the feasibility process. The reconnaissance report found a very large and high-quality wetland located in the middle of the property. As a result, the property is not suited for the intended use/purpose as a shooting range and public park.

The WSDNR is requesting reconveyance of the original 146-acres and the deed returned pursuant to RCW 79.22.300 'Procedure-Reconveyance back when use ceases.'

Requested Action: For Council to move the motion to GLS on January 29, 2025, for consideration.