



Snohomish County Agricultural Advisory Board

Application Packet

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Snohomish County Agricultural Advisory Board. The Snohomish County Agricultural Advisory Board is seeking volunteers to fulfill 6 upcoming vacancies to commence in April 2018. The application process will close on December 15th and you will receive a communication at that point with next steps.

The Board advises and makes recommendations directly to the county council, county executive, the department of planning and development services, the public works department, and the department of finance. Early participation in the legislative process is an important function of the Board.

The Board serves in an advisory role on rural and agricultural policies, development regulations and other matters of related to agriculture which from time to time may be referred to the Board by the county council or county executive, or as may be raised by the Board.

Members must reside in Snohomish County, be engaged in commercial agricultural activities within Snohomish County, and fulfill the requirements of the specific position to which they are appointed. Members do not represent council districts. Snohomish County Charter Section 2.20 authorizes the County Council to confirm members of the Board nominated by the County Executive. Each Term is for 2 or 4 years. The Board currently meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 12:30pm – 2:30pm. To learn more about the Agricultural Advisory Board please visit our webpage at <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/130/Agricultural-Advisory-Board>.

Upcoming member vacancies on the board consist of the following industries:

Position #1 – Nursery

Position #3 - Livestock

Position #4 – Commodity Crops

Position #6 – Diking, Drainage & Flood Control Districts in the Snohomish River Basin

Position #10 – Stillaguamish River Basin

Position #11 – Snohomish River Basin

Snohomish County residents interested in serving on the Agricultural Advisory Board must complete and file an application with the County Executive's office. The next several pages contain the application and a supplemental questionnaire that is specific to the Ag Board. We look forward to receiving your application and feel free to contact Brandi Spores with any questions.

Options for returning application or asking questions:

1. Bring to an Agricultural Board Meeting before December 15, 2017
2. Email to Brandi Spores at PDSAgBoard.SCD@snoco.org
3. Mail to: Snohomish County PDS

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Everett, WA 98201



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Candidate information:

Position Applying for: #4 or #10

Candidate Name: David Youngquist

Home Address: 5614 Norman Rd., Stanwood, WA 98292

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Daytime Telephone (home/cell/work): 360-661-0429

E-mail: youngquistd@hotmail.com OR Davidy@skagitfarmers.com

Current Employer: Skagit Farmers Supply

Occupation: Agronomist

Education: B.S. Washington State University, Agricultural Business and Technology Management

Please initial next to each of the below statements to indicate that you meet these basic requirements.

Basic expectations of each Agricultural Advisory Board Member:

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1. Commit to attend monthly meetings. The Board usually meets 12 times per year, midafternoon on the first Tuesday of the month. Additionally, Board members may form subcommittees to review proposals and make recommendations and attend other meetings related to agriculture.

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2. Ability and willingness to communicate through county provided email. You will be provided with a county email address that is web based. The board occasionally does business through email and all agendas with meeting details are sent through email.

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3. Willing to attend a county Boards and Commissions Orientation within 90 days of appointment or re-appointment to the Agricultural Advisory Board.

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4. Ability to deal with topics of sensitive nature in a public format. The public is encouraged to attend all of the Board's meetings. These meeting are recorded and all information is subject to public disclosure. The Board can discuss topics that may solicit a variety of viewpoints.



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2.03.060SCC - Candidates for appointment to County boards or commission must meet the following requirements:

[Handwritten initials]

1. Possess qualifications for the position sought.
2. Reside in Snohomish County and engage in commercial agricultural activities within the county.
3. Do not currently serve on a county board or commission.

Candidate questionnaire:

1. Why would you like to serve on the Agricultural Advisory Board?

I would like to see agriculture in western WA be a viable option for the next generation.

2. The Agricultural Advisory Board consists of eleven positions to represent various aspects of the agricultural community. For the position are you applying for:

- a. What experience do you have that qualifies you to represent your industry as a member of the Agricultural Advisory Board?

As an agronomist I am well versed in many of the commercial crops produced in Snohomish County and work with farmers and land holders regularly. I live in the Stillaguamish River Basin and consult on most of the tillable acreage.

- b. How do you feel you can best represent the interests of the position you are applying for?

For the last 5 years as an agronomist, I have been a trusted advisor to many of the agricultural stakeholders in Snohomish County and feel that I can represent their interests accurately.

3. Do you see any potential conflicts of interest that could emerge while serving on the Agricultural Advisory Board? If a conflict arises are you willing to recuse yourself from relevant discussions and/or decisions?

I do not foresee any potential conflicts of interest but if one occurs, I am willing to recuse myself.

4. Each year the board puts together a work plan for the upcoming year. What items are you interested in seeing placed on the work plan and how would you assist in implementing those items?

None at this time. I would like to familiarize myself with the inner workings of this board first.



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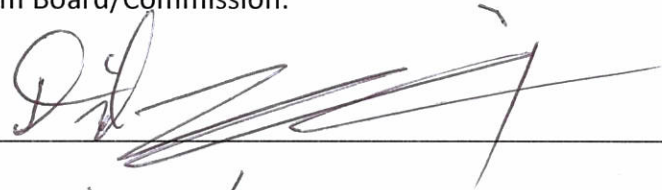
5. Please list community involvement/volunteer activities.

NW Agricultural Research Foundation - Board Member

6. Do you currently serve on any other Snohomish County board or commission?

No

By signing this Application Form, Nominee acknowledges that he/she will comply with all county policies, county code, and state law. Nominee also acknowledges that any record, including personal e-mail, prepared, owned, used, or retained by Nominee in the conduct of Board/Commission business is a public record, and Nominee agrees to produce said records to County upon request. Failure to comply with the above provisions may result in Nominee's removal from Board/Commission.

Signature: 

Date: 12/26/17