



# Planning and Community Development

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

**ECAF:** 2026-0588

**Motion:** 26-118

**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:** Approve alternative grant funding of Conservation Futures Property Tax funds

**Scope:** Reallocate Conservation Futures Property Tax funding from project CF24-03 Ninety Farms to CF24-03 Foster Farms Corn Maze Acquisition project. This reallocation was approved by the Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board in the amount of \$520,350.

**Duration:** N/A

**Fiscal Impact:**  Current Year  Multi-Year  N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total
Fund 185	\$520,350					\$520,350
<b>Total's</b>	<b>\$520,350</b>					<b>\$520,350</b>

Revenue	Current Year	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total
Fund 185	\$520,350					\$520,350
<b>Total's</b>	<b>\$520,350</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$520,350</b>

**Authority Granted:** Approval of the project recommendation and authorization for the County Executive to execute all agreements with non-county project sponsors, authorization for the County Executive or Property Officer to execute all documents and take necessary actions to facilitate closing of the transaction.

**Background:** Motion 24-507 approved funding allocation with proceeds from Snohomish County Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund in the amount of \$1,537,318.89 to acquire conservation easements. The allocation included funding for project CF24-03 Ninety Farms, Assessor Parcel ID No. 31050300101000, protecting 48 acres of farmland with a conservation easement. It has been determined that this project was not eligible for this funding. The Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board subsequently approved an alternative conservation acquisition option. The alternate property is in the County's same farmland conservation interest area. CF 24-03 Foster Corn Maze acquisition project sponsored by NW Forterra will protect approximately 39.54 acres of farmland with a conservation easement. The Assessor Parcel ID numbers are 31051000301400; 31051000301500; 31051000302000; 310510-00301900; and 31051000301300. The amount of funding for the Foster Corn Maze Project is \$520,350.

**Requested Action:** For Council to move to GLS on March 18, 2026 for consideration.