



# Public Infrastructure and Conservation

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

**ECAF:** 2023-1132

**Motion:** 23-409

**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:** Allocation of Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds.

**Scope:** The proposed substitute motion would fully fund all 11 projects reviewed and voted on by the Advisory Board for a total amount of \$9,494,935.80. These include:

SPONSOR	PROJECT	FUNDING
City of Lynnwood	CF23-01 Lund's Gulch South Addition (Gage/Rodkinson Property)	\$783,940.00
Snohomish County Surface Water Management Division	CF23-02 Chinook Marsh Acquisitions	\$752,037.00
Snohomish County Surface Water Management Division	CF23-03 South Slough Phase 2 (Yeaman Property) Acquisition	\$161,800.00
City of Everett	CF23-04 Holly Neighborhood Nature Park	\$2,211,760.00
Snohomish County Parks Division	CF23-05 Catherine Creek-Centennial Trail Connection	\$888,648.80
Tulalip Foundation	CF23-06 Kellogg Marsh Valley Cooperative Acquisition	\$1,072,000.00
Ducks Unlimited Inc.	CF23-07 North Ebey Island Acquisitions	\$1,400,000.00
Snohomish County Parks Division	CF23-08 Mill Property at Snohomish River Regional Trail	\$1,019,250.00
City of Lake Stevens	CF23-09 Lower Stevens Creek Land Acquisition	\$326,125.00
City of Edmonds	CF23-10 Mee Property Acquisition	\$879,375.00
Snohomish County DCNR	CFB13-30 East Side Rail/Centennial Trail South	\$250,000

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

Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund would expend \$9,494,935.80; according to the balance sheet presented at the August 8, 2023, Advisory Board meeting there is approximately \$16,524,351.00 that will be available within the budget as of December 31, 2023. The proposed motion was approved by Finance.

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**Duration:** The application due date was August 18, 2023, and the Advisory Board listened to project presentations, reviewed the project proposals and voted at the August 30, 2023, meeting.

**Authority Granted:** The recommendations by the Advisory Board are forwarded through the Snohomish County Executive to the Snohomish County Council for review and consideration and approval by motion.

**Background:** In 1988, Snohomish County established the Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund for the purpose of acquiring interests or rights in real property for the preservation of open space, farm and agricultural land, and timber land, and to maintain and operate any property acquired with resources of the fund, [SCC 4.14](#). The following year, the Snohomish County Council established a Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board to make recommendations to the Council for acquisition projects to be funded and to develop strategic, long-term plans for the program.

**Requested Action:** For Council to move the proposed substitute motion to GLS on December 13, 2023, for consideration.