

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
Snohomish County, Washington

NOTICE OF ENACTMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on December 18, 2024, the Snohomish County Council approved Ordinance No.24-099.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-099

APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF  
ECOLOGY FOR SAVVY SEPTIC PROGRAM

**Background:** The ordinance approves an agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology for the Savvy Septic Program Grant for \$500,000. In April of 2015, Snohomish County launched Savvy Septic, a Clean Water Financing Program, to help address the chronic problem of failing on-site septic systems (OSS). The Savvy Septic Program in Snohomish County aims to empower residential OSS owners to engage in a collective Puget Sound water quality solution through outreach, education, and financial aid for OSS maintenance, repair, and replacement. Based on Snohomish County Health Department's 2021 data, there are approximately 67,279 OSS in Snohomish County, and of these systems, approximately 350 fail and require repairs, yearly. Many of the county's OSS are located in the Snohomish and Stillaguamish watersheds, and the Stillaguamish watershed is a predominantly low-income, rural community and a shellfish growing area.

**For More Information:** Copies of the ordinance and related documents are available upon request by calling the Council Office at (425) 388-3494, 1(800) 562-4367 x3494, TDD 1(800) 877-8339, or by e-mailing [Contact.Council@snoco.org](mailto:Contact.Council@snoco.org). The ordinance is also available on the Council's website at <https://snohomish.legistar.com/Default.aspx> (File # 2024-2803) or <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/2134/Council-Hearings-Calendar>.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2025.

/s/ Elena Lao, CMC \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk of the Council

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