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July 6, 2022

Snohomish County Council 3000 Rockefeller Avenue Everett, WA 98201

Re: Snohomish Conservation District Rates & Charges Proposal

Dear Snohomish County Council,

On behalf of the Snohomish Conservation District (SCD) Board of Supervisors, I am pleased to submit the enclosed packet for the Snohomish Conservation District's Rates and Charges proposal.

This submittal includes:

- 2023 Work Plan and Budget
- The SCD Assessment Roll

The District Board of Supervisors and staff are excited to continue our work with Snohomish County, our numerous partners, and county residents and landowners to enhance and expand the services as outlined in this proposal. For over 80 years, the District has been on the forefront of productive agriculture, habitat restoration, and residential stewardship – by providing free services to private landowners. With a growing population and increased pressure on our natural resources, the District has developed programs and implemented projects to meet the demands of a diverse and changing environment.

We all greatly appreciate your efforts over the past few years to approve the \$1/parcel and \$0.01/acre incremental annual increase. We intentionally skipped the increase last year due to the pandemic with the understanding that we would include the increase in this year's proposal. This year, we propose a continuation of this incremental approach, to increase \$2/parcel and \$0.02/acre. This will be the final annual increase, to start in 2023 and continue at the same rate for a 10-year period. This proposal will ensure that services can continue to be provided for our local communities into the future.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Linda Lyshall at 425-327-9862.

Respectfully,

Mark Craven

Snohomish Conservation District Board Chair

Cc: Dave Somers, County Executive