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5 SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
6 Snohomish County, Washington

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8 ORDINANCE NO. 22-011

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10 RELATING TO THE COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD;  
11 AMENDING CHAPTER 3.42 SCC

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13 WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board  
14 (“Board”) was established pursuant to chapter 17.10 RCW; and

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16 WHEREAS, administrative support for the Board currently is provided by  
17 the Snohomish County Department of Public Works; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Noxious Weed Coordinator  
20 (“Coordinator”) currently is appointed and supervised by the Director of the  
21 Snohomish County Department of Public Works; and

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23 WHEREAS, the purpose and activities of the Board and Coordinator are  
24 consistent with the purpose and activities of the Snohomish County Department  
25 of Conservation and Natural Resources (“DCNR”); and

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27 WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Snohomish County Executive and the  
28 Snohomish County Council to transfer these administrative support, appointment,  
29 and supervision responsibilities from the Director of the Snohomish County  
30 Department of Public Works to the Director of the Department of Conservation  
31 and Natural Resources; and

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33 WHEREAS, chapter 17.10 RCW recently was amended by SHB 1355,  
34 filed on May 10, 2021, and signed by the Governor of the State of Washington;  
35 and

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37 WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Snohomish County Council to update  
38 chapter 3.42 of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) to be consistent with recent  
39 amendments to chapter 17.10 RCW.

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41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

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43 Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 3.42.010, last amended by  
44 Amended Ordinance No. 10-083 on October 27, 2010, is amended to read:  
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1 3.42.010 Established – membership – qualifications – appointments.

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3 Pursuant to chapter 17.10 RCW, a county noxious weed control board,  
4 hereinafter referred to as the "board()," is hereby established. The board shall  
5 consist of five voting members. At least (~~four~~) three of the voting members shall  
6 be engaged in the primary production of agricultural products. There shall be one  
7 non-voting member who shall be the county extension director or an extension  
8 representative appointed by the county extension director. The council shall  
9 divide the county into five districts, none of which shall overlap and each of which  
10 shall be of the same approximate area, and shall appoint a voting member for  
11 each district.

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13 Section 2. Snohomish County Code Section 3.42.050, last amended by  
14 Amended Ordinance No. 10-083 on October 27, 2010, is amended to read:

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16 3.42.050 Administration.

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18 (1) The board shall employ or otherwise provide a county noxious weed  
19 coordinator, hereafter referred to as the "coordinator," through the county  
20 personnel system, pursuant to RCW 17.10.060, with the director of the  
21 department of (~~public works~~) conservation and natural resources as the  
22 appointing authority for the coordinator. The coordinator may be classified as full  
23 time or seasonal as determined by the director of the department of (~~public~~  
24 ~~works~~) conservation and natural resources in consultation with the board. The  
25 coordinator shall comply with the county personnel policies. These policies  
26 require supervision from the director of the department of (~~public works~~)  
27 conservation and natural resources or (~~his/her~~) the director's designee for all  
28 purposes including authority regarding appointment, termination or employee  
29 discipline.

30 (2) The coordinator's duties shall include management of the annual noxious  
31 weed control program, including but not limited to:

32 (a) Supervision of the inspection of land to determine the presence of  
33 noxious weeds;

34 (b) Preparation of the annual program and preliminary budget for  
35 approval by the (~~board and the~~) county council;

36 (c) Management of the board's annual program of work which includes  
37 four elements: the weed control program; the education program; the  
38 enforcement and regulation program; and the monitoring program.

39 (3) The coordinator will be accountable to the board for meeting the fiscal and  
40 budgetary restraints set forth by the board and the county council. The  
41 coordinator will provide the board with a budgetary review of expenditures and  
42 balances at the regular meetings of the board or as requested by the board.

43 (4) Subject to budgetary control by the county council, the board may request  
44 that the director of the department of (~~public works~~) conservation and natural  
45 resources assign additional department employees as the board deems  
46 necessary for the administration of the county's noxious weed control program.


1 Such employees shall be county classified positions subject to the provisions of  
2 title 3A SCC. While the board shall establish the annual noxious weed control  
3 program to be carried out by such employees, they shall be subject to the  
4 supervision of the director of the department of ~~((public works))~~ conservation and  
5 natural resources or ~~((his/her))~~ the director's designee for all purposes including  
6 decisions regarding appointment, termination or employee discipline.

7 (5) Administrative support for the board shall be provided by the department of  
8 ~~((public works))~~ conservation and natural resources. Subject to the limitations of  
9 budgetary appropriations, such support shall include, but not be limited to, office  
10 space, vehicles and equipment as well as payroll, accounting, grants  
11 administration and all other necessary financial services. All expenditures of  
12 board appropriations shall be approved by the ~~((chairman))~~ chair of the board, or  
13 ~~((his/her))~~ the chair's designee, before being authorized by the department.


14 (6) The board may seek and recommend that the executive, in accordance with  
15 SCC 2.10.010(25), apply for grants to support the county noxious weed control  
16 program. Grant contracts shall be approved in accordance with SCC 2.10.010  
17 and 3.04.140.

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19 PASSED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

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21 SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
22 Snohomish County, Washington

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26 Chair

27 ATTEST:

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30 Asst. Clerk of the Council

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35 DATE: 5/4/2022

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39 County Executive

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43 Approved as to form only:

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46 Deputy Prosecuting Attorney