



Public Infrastructure and Conservation

Deb Bell

Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2023-1526

Motion: 24-007

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: Approval of the Environmental Covenant for the Go East Landfill with the Washington State Department of Ecology and Alpine Estates Owners Association.

Scope: The [Go East Landfill](#) has completed cleanup and subsequent closure for the Alpine Estates plat, formerly known as Bakerview. Solid waste is contained on the property, capped by a final cover system that is designed to minimize infiltration and erosion. The property is subject to post-closure requirements under WAS 173-350-400, which includes the owner or operator to maintain control and monitoring. Following the closure of a limited purpose landfill, the owner or operator must file an environmental covenant conforming to the procedures and requirements of the RCW 64.70.

Duration: The Environmental Restrictive Covenant, Exhibit C illustrates the four Tracts (989, 992, 997 and 999 of Alpine Estates) that are to be protected by the restrictive covenant, under RCW 64.70 and 70A.205.

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Authority Granted: Approve and authorize the County Executive and/or their designee to sign the Environmental Covenant for the Go East Landfill with the Washington State Department of Ecology and Alpine Estate Owners Association, under RCW 64.70.

Background: The subject property was mined for sand, and then used as a landfill from the 1960's through the mid 1980's. The Snohomish County Health Department, Snohomish County Planning and Development Services, Washington State Department of Ecology and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife have all been involved with the site.

The environmental restrictive covenant is required because solid waste is contained on the property beneath a final cover system that is designed to minimize infiltration and erosion and to prevent exposing waste. In addition, during the post-closure care period, the owner or operator is required to maintain and operate systems such as leachate collection, gas control, groundwater monitoring, and erosion control on the system.

Action Requested: For Council to move the motion to GLS on May 15, 2024, for consideration.