

**RECREATION AND CONSERVATION FUNDING BOARD SUMMARIZED MEETING AGEND & ACTIONS**  
**November 7, 2013**

**Agenda Items without Formal Action**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Board Request for Follow-up</b>
2. Director's Report	No follow up action requested
6. Review Draft Changes to the Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program	Criteria will be presented for adoption in January 2014 following public comment.
7. Changes to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Criteria	No follow up requested.
8. Review of the Trails Plan	The final plan, reflecting board comments, will be presented for adoption in January 2014.
9. Review of the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Plan	The final plan, reflecting board comments, will be presented for adoption in January 2014.
10. Review Draft Changes to the Grant Programs and Criteria for 2014	Criteria will be presented for adoption in January 2014 following public comment.
11. Review Draft Changes to the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program State Parks Category Evaluation Process and Criteria	Criteria will be presented for adoption in January 2014 following public comment.

**Agenda Items with Formal Action**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Formal Action</b>	<b>Board Request for Follow-up</b>
1. Consent Calendar	APPROVED Resolution 2013-22 APPROVED Board Meeting Minutes – September 11-12, 2013 APPROVED Time Extension Requests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project #08-1180, Lacamas Prairie Natural Area 2008</li> <li>• Project #08-1184, Trout Lake NAP 2008</li> <li>• Project #08-1610, Pogue Mountain Pre-Commercial Thin</li> <li>• Project #08-1356, Dosewallips State Park Riparian Acquisition</li> </ul>	No follow up action requested
3. Conversion Request: Clark County, Salmon Creek, Projects 76-023 and 79-037	APPROVED Resolution 2013-23	No follow up action requested
4. Major Scope Change Request: Department of Fish and Wildlife, Mid-Columbia 2012, Project 12-1478	APPROVED Resolution 2013-24	No follow up action requested
5. Request to Waive Policy: Kitsap County, Kitsap Forest and Bay Project (Shoreline Access), Project 12-1143	APPROVED Board Resolution #2013-25 as amended allowing purchase of property and the deferral of a Hazardous Substances Certification until 2030.	No follow up action requested
12. Service Recognition: Bill Chapman		No follow up action requested

## RECREATION AND CONSERVATION FUNDING BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES

**Date:** November 7, 2013

**Place:** Olympia, WA

### Recreation and Conservation Funding Board Members Present:

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<b>Bill Chapman</b>	Chair, Mercer Island	<b>Ted Willhite</b>	Twisp
<b>Betsy Bloomfield</b>	Yakima	<b>Jed Herman</b>	Designee, Department of Natural Resources
<b>Pete Mayer</b>	Snohomish	<b>Don Hoch</b>	Director, Washington State Parks
<b>Harriet Spanel</b>	Bellingham	<b>Joe Stohr</b>	Designee, Department of Fish and Wildlife

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**It is intended that this summary be used with the materials provided in advance of the meeting. The Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) retains a recording as the formal record of the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (board) meeting.**

### Opening and Call to Order

Chair Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Staff called roll, and a quorum was determined. Director Cottingham discussed staffing changes at the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO). She also noted that members Mayer and Bloomfield had been reappointed, and that Member Spanel had been appointed as chair, effective January 2014.

The board recognized the service of Rebecca Connolly through **Resolution 2013-28**, which was approved by signature of all board members.

### Item 1: Consent Calendar

The Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (board) reviewed Resolution 2013-22, Consent Calendar. Director Cottingham noted that the minutes had been revised to correct the spelling of a board member's name.

#### **Resolution 2013-22**

**Moved by:** Approved without motion

**Seconded by:** None

**Resolution:** APPROVED

### Item 2: Management Report

**Director's Report:** Director Cottingham noted her involvement in the National Association of State Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers. NASORLO will be very active on reauthorization of the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. She also noted that the board and staff have been working on revising the project recognition process, and discussed the Bravo Awards she has distributed. Director Cottingham reported that the Lands Group held its coordinating forum the previous week. She will be working with Okanogan County to determine if the Okanogan-Similkameen project should move forward. The RCO has launched some important IT projects, including electronic billing, the public land inventory, and an IT strategic plan. She briefly discussed the special legislative session, and the potential effects on the agency.

**Policy Update:** Nona Snell, policy director, reported that the board's Tier 1 policy priorities had been completed or were scheduled for completion by January. The Tier 2 priorities, including farmland policies and supporting the state parks transformation strategy, are either complete or are moving along as well, and the board will receive a

briefing on the Farmland Preservation Program review in January. She also provided an update on the agency's work to complete the public land inventory required by legislative budget proviso. Snell reported on the Lands Group meeting, which was held on October 30. The monitoring report will focus on acquisitions funded in 2009, and will include future costs. Member Willhite asked if the economic analysis would address ecosystem services; Snell responded that the analysis is part of JLARC's proviso. He suggested that the board request its inclusion. Director Cottingham noted that RCO staff had raised the economic value of ecosystem services in a recent steering committee meeting for the inventory. Member Mayer applauded staff work on the Lands Group and State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). Director Cottingham noted that the SCORP implementation plan was in the materials. Leslie Ryan-Connelly gave an update on the conversion related to the 520 bridge construction project, noting that work continues on the appraisals and cultural resources review.

**Grant Management Report:** Marguerite Austin provided a grant management update. She noted that the SCORP has been given verbal approval, and that the RCO is just waiting for the formal letter. Austin discussed efforts to close projects and provide additional funding to partially-funded projects. They are focused on the 2014 grant cycle. In response to a question from Chair Chapman, Austin described the various reasons that the list of alternate projects is unusually long. Bloomfield asked if there would be handouts from the SCORP that could be used to communicate the data. Nona Snell responded that there was an executive summary that would be forthcoming once the agency receives formal approval.

### **Presentation of Recently Completed Projects**

Laura Moxham presented information about the following projects, which were recently completed:

- 10-1346, Covington Community Park, which is a development project sponsored by the city of Covington
- 10-1615, East Lake Sammamish Trail-Issaquah Link, which is a development project sponsored by King County DNR and Parks

Chair Chapman described the eventual linkage between the East Lake Sammamish Trail-Issaquah Link and the Mountains to Sound greenway. Member Mayer discussed the water trails that also connect.

### **General Public Comment**

*Tom Bugert, Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition*, updated the board on the Coalition's stakeholder process regarding the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP). He thanked the RCO for their support and involvement. They will be extending the process for another year. The Coalition will be making policy recommendations to help identify and share the positive effects of the program. Member Mayer asked if there were any themes from the initial session. Bugert responded that notification to elected officials should increase in terms of information shared and individuals reached. Member Willhite asked if the Coalition had done any work on the economic benefits. Bugert responded that they had done that work, but more could be done. Director Cottingham asked the Coalition coordinate their recommendations with staff work to establish policy priorities.

### **State Agency Partner Reports**

**State Parks:** Member Hoch noted that he had provided board with a copy October proviso report that they had submitted to legislators on their efforts to increase revenue and their fiscal health. He noted they are also working on a deferred maintenance proviso report, and they are also working with WDFW and DNR on a Discover Pass proviso. He provided a background on fiscal health, and gave an estimate on where State Parks stand on revenue against their estimates. He notified the board that there is going to be a signing program November 8, 2013 at 3pm at Fort Warden to sign their 50 year lease, with Fort Warden public development authority. This will be a lease for the authority to manage what State Parks call the campus portion (food service, lodging) of Fort Warden State Park.

**Department of Natural Resources:** Member Herman discussed the Teanaway Community Forest and bringing the community together to help form a management plan. He also discussed that he is the final process of

recruiting to fill behind Mark Maureen the Department's former Recreation Manager. He noted that they are continuing to form plans with the community on large areas of recreational opportunities on DNR and WDFW lands. He provided a short report on the use of some WWRP money, in particular Dabob Bay. They have been able to make the WWRP money go twice as far in terms of acquisitions and purchasing lands for habitat with the help of the Navy contributing money.

**Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW):** Member Stohr reported that they are doing work to assess the economic impacts of acquisitions, what economics benefits or detriments do acquisitions bring to a county. They are trying to pay more attention to maintenance and operations costs for new acquisitions, determine if easements can be used more effectively, and work with OFM and DOR to address PILT concerns. WDFW also is trying to do a better job to convey the benefits of the agency's overall work.

### **Board Business: Decisions**

#### **Item 3: Conversion Request: Clark County, Salmon Creek, Projects 76-023 and 79-037**

Myra Barker presented information as described in the staff memo and provided additional information about the total grant funding, history of the conversion, and the replacement property. The board had no questions.

#### **Resolution 2013-23**

**Moved by:** Pete Mayer  
**Seconded by:** Harriet Spanel  
**Resolution:** APPROVED

#### **Item 4: Major Scope Change Request: Department of Fish and Wildlife, Mid-Columbia 2012, Project 12-1478**

Sarah Thirtyacre, Senior Grant Manager, shared an overview of the scope change request, as described in the memo. David Volsen and Dan Peterson, WDFW, provided additional details including maps showing the historical and current shrub steppe landscape, the geographic envelope that includes both properties, and other WDFW lands. Volsen explained the background for the scope change and the anticipated benefits of the acquisition, noting in particular the opportunity for habitat connectivity. Peterson noted that WDFW wanted to acquire the Grand Coulee Ranch for many years, and this was a good opportunity.

Chair Chapman noted that the presentation adequately addressed the qualities that the board seeks in projects, but the board is concerned about the integrity of the process. He suggested that the functional equivalency was a good basis for consideration of substitute property, versus proximity. Member Bloomfield asked if there were threats, such as wind power, in the area. Volsen responded that he did not have specific information about wind projects in that area; the threats are related to development on the site. Member Spanel expressed concern about the project "jumping the line." Volsen responded that it is very difficult to acquire property in north Douglas County, and asked for the board to give them the needed flexibility. Member Willhite asked if there would be options for additional acquisitions in the future; Volsen responded that it was DFW's intent. Member Herman asked where the funds would go if the scope change were not approved. Director Cottingham responded that it would be distributed to other projects in the Habitat Conservation Account. Chair Chapman stated that he believed that the public input from the county was key to making this process acceptable. Thirtyacre stated that the RCO is working through the Lands Group to make the use of geographic envelopes more transparent, while still providing the flexibility needed by the agencies.

#### **Resolution 2013-24**

**Moved by:** Ted Willhite  
**Seconded by:** Betsy Bloomfield  
**Resolution:** APPROVED

**Note:** *Member Hoch was excused from the meeting at 10:45, and was absent for this vote.*

**Item 5: Request to Waive Policy: Kitsap County, Kitsap Forest and Bay Project (Shoreline Access), Project 12-1143**

Adam Cole, Grant Manager, presented the information as described in the staff memo and provided additional detail about the activities currently allowed on the site, the habitat benefits, and the history of the site. He explained the outreach activities and cleanup plan for the site. Cole explained the applicable policies that make the property ineligible and four alternatives that staff evaluated for board action. Staff recommended that the board waive acquisition policy for whole project area and add a special condition to project agreement stating that the sponsor must satisfy the Hazardous Substances Certification requirement by 2030 or provide replacement property per RCO conversion requirements.

Member Herman asked why the board was being asked to make the decision at this time; that is, why would they not purchase the property after doing the cleanup? Eric Baker, from Kitsap County, explained that the funding is in place so they want to proceed as soon as possible. Member Bloomfield asked if the parties concurred with the special condition. Cole responded that the agreement was between the RCO and the county. Baker responded that the county was prepared to accept the condition. He noted that the county hopes that the condition applies to the tidelands, not the uplands. Baker noted that the upland portion of the property has had an ESA Level 1 performed on it and stated an ESA Level 2 was not needed. He stated that the environmental condition of the uplands is much different than the tidelands adding there is no cleanup plan for the uplands, only the tidelands. Member Mayer asked if the condition is enforceable; Director Cottingham responded that it would go in the contract. Mayer suggested that the board may want interim reports about progress; Chair Chapman responded that it was difficult to establish milestones because this was a natural process. Barry Rogowski, Ecology, noted that they would conduct five-year reviews following cleanup, and that information is publicly available.

Member Willhite stated that he was uncomfortable with the language saying that it waived policy and suggested that this was just an exception. Director Cottingham responded that she did not want to modify the policy, and that it was not an exception because it does not meet the criteria in policy. Rogowski noted that all properties that are contaminated require clean up, but Ecology can address only a few at a time. This is a unique opportunity because they believe they can reach full recovery.

Chair Chapman suggested, during executive session and lunch, staff would update the resolution to reflect the reasons for the waiver and make the special conditions more explicit.

**Resolution 2013-25**

Member Mayer moved to table the discussion until after the executive session. Seconded by Member Herman. Motion approved.

Chair Chapman recessed for executive session from 12:00 until 12:45 p.m.

RCO staff revised the resolution per the board's direction.

**Resolution 2013-25 - REVISED**

**Moved by:** Pete Mayer

**Seconded by:** Ted Willhite

**Resolution:** APPROVED

**Board Business: Briefings**

**Item 6: Review Draft Changes to the Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program**

Leslie Connelly, Policy Specialist, presented the information as described in the staff memo and asked for board comment.

In response to a question from Member Herman, Connelly listed the organizations eligible in the grant program. He questioned the ability of smaller or newer clubs to meet the public notice requirement. Marguerite Austin responded that it has been a long-standing requirement, and drew the distinction between public meetings and public hearings. Member Stohr asked how the change in maximum request would affect the number of projects funded. Connelly responded that the list was usually short enough that it would not be an issue. In response to additional questions from Member Stohr, she explained the makeup and role of the Advisory Committee. Austin noted that the makeup was originally established by statute; since the statute expired, staff has been working to redesign the committee to increase safety expertise. Member Willhite asked what was driving the changes, and whether the policy reflected the public comment received earlier this year. Connelly responded by highlighting key drivers. Chair Chapman stated that many of the changes resulted from previous board discussions and actions. Member Mayer asked if the "do not fund" recommendation would take place in technical review. Chair Chapman responded that the board has seen few of those recommendations from the categories that have the policy now. The board did not recommend any changes.

### **Board Business: Decisions**

#### **Item 7: Changes to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Criteria**

Leslie Connelly noted that the board reviewed the criteria in September, and reported that staff had made no changes except to clarify some of the supporting text. The only public comment received was related to the makeup of the Advisory Committee, and staff responded to the individual.

#### **Resolution 2013-26**

**Moved by:** Pete Mayer

**Seconded by:** Jed Herman

**Resolution:** APPROVED

### **Board Business: Briefings and Discussion**

#### **Item 8: Review of the Trails Plan**

Sarah Gage reviewed the changes to the Trails Plan, including the recommendations for board actions. She also discussed the public comment, which was provided with the advance materials.

On Statewide Action #1, Chair Chapman suggested that the language be revised to include regional trails rather than federal, state, and local trails. Director Cottingham suggested that language be "includes a regional trails inventory" and then add "and information about trails." Member Bloomfield suggested that it include the purpose for the recommendation. Members concurred.

The board discussed the requirements of RCW 79A.35, and the staff recommendation to explore the feasibility of designating a trail system. Member Willhite asked what the next steps would be. Director Cottingham responded that following adoption of the plan, staff would determine how to address it in the context of other policy proposals. She noted that State Parks staff did a presentation about the requirements, and Chair Chapman suggested that it be shared with the board.

Member Bloomfield asked about the comment from USFWS expressing concern about the use of the word "perceive" to characterize trails' impacts on habitat. Gage reviewed the comment with the board, noting that the phrase in question was part of the survey instrument used by the consultant. She suggested that the response could be that the RCO and board acknowledge that the effects are not "perceived," but that they are real and grounded in scientific information. The board concurred.

#### **Item 9: Review of the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Plan**

Sarah Gage reviewed the changes to the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Plan, including the recommendations for board actions. She also discussed the public comment, which was provided with the

advance materials. She noted that the response to the comments about the funding formula would be to note that it was established in statute. Chair Chapman suggested that staff also indicate that the board would not be recommending changes to the law. Member Willhite asked if the formula would be a useful addition to the plan. Chair Chapman responded that it was part of the grant funding presentations.

#### **Item 10: Review Draft Changes to the Grant Programs and Criteria for 2014**

Leslie Connelly, Policy Specialist, presented the information as described in the staff memo and asked for board comment. The board asked questions to clarify the proposal, but made no changes to the proposed criteria. They agreed that the staff proposal may be advanced for public comment.

Connelly then discussed the letter that was submitted by the Washington Trails Association (WTA), Back Country Horsemen, and Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance that proposed additional changes to the trails category of the WWRP. She presented four options for addressing the proposal and explained the potential changes to the criteria.

#### **Public Comment**

**Karen Daubert, WTA**, explained the background of the letter. She believes that the preference in the criteria for hard surface trails may be inconsistent with statute. WTA and its partners think that the water views are less important than other factors. They are focused on these criteria because funding sources are limited for trails, but they are vitally important for health and recreation. They would like the changes to take effect for the 2014 grant cycle.

**Glenn Glover, Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance**, stated that the interpretation of the criteria is critical because the scoring is very close. He spoke to the water access criterion, and highlighted that very good trails would be unable to compete if they did not have access or views. They do not want to create a disadvantage for hard surface trails either, but want soft-surface trails to be competitive. He highlighted a project that ranked very low, and stated that it was due to the lack of water access or views. In response to a question from Chair Chapman, Daubert concurred that she believed the score was a function of that criterion.

**Joan Fleming, Back Country Horsemen**, stated that they are concerned about the focus on suburban and urban trails, rather than rural trails. Horseback riders contribute significant revenue to the state through the purchase of passes and equipment. Trails typically are focused on larger user groups. They want to protect the trails they have because there are few proposals for new trails. She also supports the proposal regarding soft-surface trails.

**Tom Bugert, WWRC**, noted that this has come up in the stakeholder process as well. They will review it over the next year, but have no position on it at this time.

Chair Chapman acknowledged that the criteria cannot anticipate everything, and appreciates that the letter suggests administrative changes. He suggested that the issue could be addressed by looking at the weighting provided to each criterion, rather than changing criteria. Member Willhite asked what staff work could be done. Director Cottingham reminded the board that there would need to be considerable work to prepare the criteria and do public outreach before the 2014 grant round, so the question for the board is whether to do this for the 2014 grant cycle or the 2016 cycle.

Leslie Connelly presented four options for the board consideration on how to respond to the request. The four options considered were 1) proceed with recommendations, 2) clarify eligibility of soft surface trails and how to score applications, 3) clarify accessibility requirements and when they apply to soft surface trails and supporting facilities, and 4) consider recommendations on conjunction with actions defined in the Statewide Trails Plan. Connelly reviewed the options for the board, noting that options 2 and 3 are administrative and could be done for 2014. Director Cottingham noted that the board decision is whether to implement option 1, for 2014, or option 4,

is whether to implement option 1, for 2014, or option 4, for 2016. Member Mayer suggested that they needed to tread carefully, given the timing constraints and the amount of work that would need to be done. Member Spanel noted that if staff believes that options 2 and 3 are possible and helpful, she can support that. She does not believe there is time to implement option 1. Member Herman suggested that even options 2 and 3 could change the balance too much. Chair Chapman suggested that staff could develop the clarifications and bring it to the board in January, the other proposals should be incorporated into the work plan for changes in 2016. The board members concurred. Staff responded that administrative clarifications will be wrapped into preparations for the 2014 grant cycle. Staff will bring changes to the program policies and criteria back to the board when it discusses other changes for the 2016 grant cycle.

**Item 11. Review Draft Changes to the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program State Parks Category Evaluation Process and Criteria**

Marguerite Austin, RCFB Section Manager, and Peter Herzog with State Parks presented the information as described in the staff memo and asked for board comment. These proposed changes will go out for public comment and come back to the board for decision in 2014.

**Board Business: Decisions**

**Item 12. Service Recognition: Bill Chapman**

Former member Steven Drew and several others recognized the service of Chair Chapman.

**Resolution 2013-27 moved by: Don Hoch and seconded by: Ted Willhite**  
**Resolution APPROVED**

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Approved by:

  
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Harriet Spanel, Chair

  
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Date

**Recreation and Conservation Funding Board  
Resolution 2013-22  
November 2013 Consent Calendar**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following November 2013 Consent Calendar items are approved:

- A. Board Meeting Minutes – September 11-12, 2013
- B. Time Extension Requests:
  - Washington Department of Natural Resources, Project #08-1180, Lacamas Prairie Natural Area 2008
  - Washington Department of Natural Resources, Project #08-1184, Trout Lake NAP 2008
  - Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Project #08-1610, Pogue Mountain Pre-Commercial Thin
  - Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, Project #08-1356, Dosewallips State Park Riparian Acquisition

*Resolution moved by:* Approved without being moved

*Resolution seconded by:* None

*Adopted Date:* November 7, 2013

**Recreation and Conservation Funding Board  
Resolution 2013-23  
Approving Conversion for Salmon Creek Community/Regional Park  
(RCO Projects #76-023 and 79-037)**

**WHEREAS**, the Clark County (County) used state bond funds and a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to acquire land and develop park facilities at Salmon Creek Community/Regional Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the county permitted conversion of a portion of the property through a land exchange and for the installation of a sewer pump station; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of this conversion, a portion of the property no longer satisfies the conditions of the RCO grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the county is asking for Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (board) approval to replace the converted property with property purchased under a waiver of retroactivity; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed replacement property is in close proximity to the conversion site, has an appraised value that is greater than the conversion site, and has greater acreage than the conversion site; and

**WHEREAS**, the site will provide opportunities that closely match those displaced by the conversion and will expand the city's park system in an area that had been identified in its comprehensive plan as needing additional recreation opportunities, thereby supporting the board's goals to provide funding for projects that result in public outdoor recreation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the sponsor sought public comment on the conversion and discussed it during open public meetings, thereby supporting the board's strategy to regularly seek public feedback in policy and funding decisions;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Recreation and Conservation Funding Board approves the conversion request and the proposed replacement site for RCO Projects #76-023 and 79-037 as presented to the board in November 2013 and set forth in the board memo prepared for that meeting; and

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the board hereby authorizes the RCO director to give interim approval for the properties acquired with LWCF funds and forward the conversion to the National Park Service (NPS) for final approval.

*Resolution moved by:* Pete Mayer

*Resolution seconded by:* Harriet Spanel

*Adopted Date:* November 7, 2013



**Recreation and Conservation Funding Board**

**Revised Resolution 2013-25**

**Allowing Purchase of Contaminated Properties for Kitsap Forest and Bay Project, Shoreline Access,  
RCO #12-1143A**

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (board) approved a Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) Water Access category grant and an Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) grant for Kitsap County to acquire 535 acres for public access and conservation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, environmental reports document contamination in the tideland portion of the project site that is part of the Port Gamble Bay and Mill Site, which is currently listed as a known contaminated site on Ecology's Hazardous Site List; and

**WHEREAS**, the tidelands are an integral part of the proposed acquisition and establish eligibility for funding through the WWRP Water Access category; and

**WHEREAS**, board policy restricts acquisition of property contaminated with hazardous substances; and

**WHEREAS**, Kitsap County wishes to pursue this property even though it cannot certify that the properties are clean; and

**WHEREAS**, the levels and type of pollution will not limit public use and enjoyment of the properties once the cleanup has occurred; and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is coordinating a plan for cleanup and for monitoring the recovery efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Ecology has determined that a responsible party is prepared to sign the Consent Decree and commits to cleaning up hazardous substances; and

**WHEREAS**, for this project only, Kitsap County is asking the board to waive the policies that (1) make the property ineligible and (2) require that it certify that the site is free of hazardous substances; and

**WHEREAS**, approving this request supports the board's strategic goal to provide funding to protect, preserve, restore, and enhance recreation and conservation opportunities statewide,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the board waives the acquisition policy regarding contaminated properties and defers the hazardous substances certification policy until 2030 for the Kitsap Forest and Bay Project - Shoreline Access (RCO #12-1143A), and requires that the sponsor meet the following special conditions:

- A. By March 31, 2014, submit to RCO the Consent Decree that is signed by all appropriate parties, and
- B. Meet the terms of Section 10, Hazardous Substances of the Standard Terms and Conditions outlined in RCO's Project Agreement no later than December 31, 2030; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the director is authorized to execute the project agreement for implementation of the funded project with the protection of WWRP Water Access and ALEA funds in the form of the special condition referenced in this memorandum.

*Resolution moved by:* Pete Mayer

*Resolution seconded by:* Ted Willhite

*Adopted Date:* November 7, 2013





WASHINGTON STATE

Recreation and Conservation  
Funding Board

A Resolution to Recognize the Service of

*Bill Chapman*

To the Residents of Washington State and the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

**WHEREAS**, from November 2004 through December 2013, Bill Chapman served the residents of the state of Washington as a member and chairman of the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Chapman's service assisted the State of Washington in protecting some of its most important wildlife habitat and farmland, and in providing opportunities for a vast array of recreational pursuits statewide; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Chapman's dedication to environmental and economic sustainability led the board to craft and adopt a sustainability policy, incorporate criteria into key grant programs, and conduct outreach and education efforts to help project sponsors use more sustainable practices and elements; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Chapman's leadership helped the board develop a program that recognize sites that embody the realization of a long-range vision or that have resulted in a lasting legacy; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Chapman's intellect, lawyerly debate skills, focus on strategically investing public funds, and belief in sharing successes inspired the board and helped it to ensure that its policies and practices create projects that improve the quality of life for current and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, during Mr. Chapman's nine-year tenure, the board funded 1,502 grants, creating a state investment of \$454 million in Washington's great outdoors; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Chapman's current term expires on December 31, 2013 and members of the board wish to recognize his support, leadership, and service;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that on behalf of the residents of Washington and in recognition of Mr. Chapman's dedication and excellence in performing his responsibilities and duties as a member and chairman, the board and its staff extend their sincere appreciation and compliments on a job well done.

Approved by the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

in Olympia, Washington

on November 6, 2013

Betsy Bloomfield  
Citizen Member

Harriet Spang  
Citizen Member

Pete Mayer  
Citizen Member

Ted Willhite  
Citizen Member

Don Hoch  
Washington State Parks

Jed Herman  
Department of Natural  
Resources

Joe Stohr  
Department of Fish and  
Wildlife



WASHINGTON STATE  
Recreation and Conservation  
Funding Board

A Resolution to Recognize the Service of

*Rebecca Connolly*

To the Residents of Washington State and the Recreation and Conservation Office

**WHEREAS**, from February 2008 through October 2013, Rebecca Connolly has provided excellent service to the various boards that make up the Recreation and Conservation Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Connolly is the wizard behind the curtain at RCO, setting up many foundational systems that ensure RCO is able to answer challenging legislative questions, track staff progress in meeting agency goals, and generally contribute to the agency's stellar reputation as a reliable, efficient, and professional organization; and

**WHEREAS**, because of Ms. Connolly's exceptional communication and organizational skills, all board meetings run smoothly, every board member understands the issues, all discussions are meaningful and productive, and all are done in a very transparent and open way; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Connolly led many efforts that made it easier for the board and staff to accomplish their work, including guiding the development of strategic plans, developing and managing the agency's performance measurement system, instituting more efficient methods for responding to public requests for information, and leading staff in finding efficiencies. Her legacy will live on for many years through these improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Connolly's intellect and good humor made her a mentor and sounding board to staff, a valuable advisor to agency leadership, and an irreplaceable employee; and

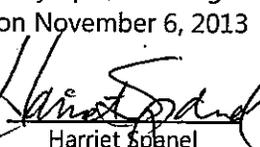
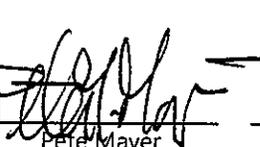
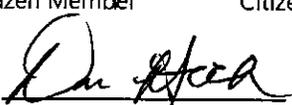
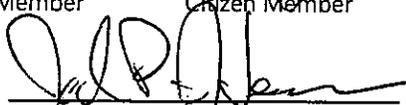
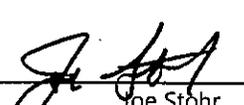
**WHEREAS**, Ms. Connolly is leaving the agency to pursue other adventures and members of the board wish to recognize her support, leadership, and service;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that on behalf of the residents of Washington and in recognition of Ms. Connolly's dedication and excellence in performing her responsibilities and duties as a member of the Recreation and Conservation Office, the board and its staff extend their sincere appreciation and compliments on a job well done.

Approved by the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

in Olympia, Washington

on November 6, 2013

 _____ Bill Chapman Citizen Member	 _____ Betsy Bloomfield Citizen Member	 _____ Harriet Spanel Citizen Member	 _____ Pete Mayer Citizen Member	 _____ Ted Willhite Citizen Member
 _____ Don Hoch Washington State Parks	 _____ Jed Herman Department of Natural Resources	 _____ Joe Stohr Department of Fish and Wildlife		