We need your help... 

Approval of our rates & charges proposal (see article at right) is ultimately a Board of Island County Commissioners (BICC) decision based on public support. If you value our non-regulatory, voluntary approach to natural resource conservation, show your support! 

Two ways to show support: 
1) Send us a letter of support to include in our submission package to the BICC. 
2) Attend our Public Hearing on July 16th. Details below or visit: www.whidbeycd.org/rates-charges.html

Proposal to Renew and Replace Local Assessment 

Keeping pace with the ever-growing resource needs of Island County

Whidbey Island Conservation District (WICD) and Snohomish Conservation District (SCD) are proposing to renew and replace our existing Island County special assessment with a system of rates & charges, and request public support and input at two public hearings.

Since 1967, WICD has served local residents and landowners as a trusted, non-regulatory partner in natural resource conservation. SCD has served the Camano Island community in a similar capacity since 1961.

WICD and SCD have a current annual assessment of $5/parcel + $0.05/acre which has been in effect since 2010 and is due to expire at the end of 2019. This funding represents 1/3 of WICD’s annual budget and has enabled us to keep up with the growing demand for our programs and services over the past 10 years. Replacing the assessment with a system of rates & charges will allow us to create a more equitable rate structure versus the flat rate of an assessment. The proposed rates and charges cannot exceed $5/parcel + $0.10/acre.

Renewing this stable, local funding will allow us to continue providing vital programs and services which help sustain local working lands, improve soil health and water quality, enhance wildlife habitat, increase public education opportunities, and more!

Show Your Support - Write a letter! 

It’s simple, just follow these steps: 

Step 1 - Write Your Letter of Support: 
To access a letter of support template that provides a foundation to customize your own letter, click here.
To access a letter of support template which you can just sign and date, click here.

We’d appreciate letters by no later than Friday, July 26, 2019 by close of business.

Step 2 - Mail or Email Your Letter to WICD: 
(1) Mail your letter to: 
Whidbey Island Conservation District
P.O. Box 490, 
Coupeville, WA 98239
OR (2) Email your letter as an attachment to wicd@whidbeycd.org.

Step 3 - We’ll Include Your Letter in Our Proposal. Thank You!

Show Your Support - Attend Our Public Hearing! 

In addition to the letter, WICD staff encourages you to attend our public hearing to learn more about the renewal process and proposal - Tuesday, July 16th, 2019 from 6 – 7 PM at the Coupeville Library Meeting Room, 788 NW Alexander St. in Coupeville. Click here or the image at right for more information.

Weeds of Summer 2019 Now Available

These seasonally-themed bulletins are a partnership between WICD and Island County’s Department of Natural Resources. To view, sign up to receive future Weed Bulletins, or view an archive of local weed resources, visit www.whidbeycd.org/weed-bulletin.

View the complete list of Island County’s Noxious Weeds for 2019 at bit.ly/2CgbedB.

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LEARN AND ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT CONSERVATION DISTRICT FUNDING RENEWAL FOR ISLAND COUNTY