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Executive Committee Action on behalf of the SCA Board of Directors – October 13, 2006

SCA opposes the proposed King Conservation District \$10 per parcel assessment reauthorization and funding allocation plan submitted by the District to the King County Council on July 27, 2006. SCA requests the King County Council to deny the proposed KCD assessment reauthorization and funding allocation plan, unless King County and the King Conservation District agree to enter into an interlocal agreement that includes the following terms: (1) for each year of the assessment an assessment allocation that is similar to the 2006 assessment allocation (\$6-\$2-\$2), with the same requirements as in 2006 for jurisdictional and WRIA forum grants, and the same distribution of funding among WRIA forums 7, 8 and 9 as established previously by the Regional Water Quality Committee (20%-40%-40%); (2) a 5year term for the assessment; and (3) a requirement that KCD establish an enhanced Advisory Committee consisting of representatives of the cities, county, watershed forums and other stakeholders, which will review and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the District's annual work program and budget during the term of the assessment. The purpose of the enhanced Advisory Committee will be to foster a greater understanding of the programs provided by the District, identify those programs that are most needed and how to fund them, and avoid conflict or duplication with the plans and programs of other entities.