

KING COUNTY CONSERVATION FUTURES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Recommendations for the Allocation of 2024 Conservation Futures Tax Levy and Parks Levy County Open Space Acquisition Funding

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INTRODUCTION

Report Purpose

This report presents the recommendations of the King County Conservation Futures Advisory Committee (“committee”). The committee is a volunteer advisory board with members appointed by the King County Executive and confirmed by King County Council. The committee reviews applications for Conservation Futures Tax Levy (“CFT”) and King County Parks Levy County open space acquisition funding (“PL”) and recommends project funding awards to the King County Executive. The Executive proposes funding awards to the King County Council, which makes the final CFT and PL funding allocations by ordinance.

Funding Recommendations

This year, the committee reviewed 53 applications from cities, the County, and nonprofit organizations requesting \$100 million in CFT and PL funding. Funding awards will be allocated in the mid-biennial update to the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget.

CFT funding is elevated this year due to the November 2022 approval of Proposition 1, lifting the collection rate to 6.25 cents per \$1,000 assessed value, resulting in \$39.3 million available for the grant round from 2024 collections, plus an additional \$29.3 million in 2023 collections that was not allocated in last year’s awards, which occurred prior to the lift.

In 2023, proposed legislation at King County Council would reduce the required match from 50% to 25% of project costs, to reduce the barrier that match funding presents and accelerate the pace of acquisitions.

The committee has prepared two sets of recommendations: at the status quo 50% match level; and at the reduced 25% match level, should the proposed legislation pass, and King County Executive and Council wish to fund the projects at the 25% match level.

Recommendations at the status quo 50% match level

The committee has recommended a total of \$67 million dollars at the status quo 50% match level, which would fund approximately 2,300 acres of conservation. That funding constitutes the following (refer to Table 1 at the end of the report):

- \$51.5 million in CFT dollars from annual collections¹

¹ Under the status quo 50% match level, unspent annual collections would remain in the CFT budget for future appropriation; 2024 CFT bond project dollars in #1143799 would remain appropriated but not assigned to projects.

- Within that total CFT, the committee recommends \$12.6 million in CFT dollars, with a match waiver for seven projects in opportunity areas
- \$15.7 million in PL County open space dollars

Recommendations at the reduced 25% match level

The committee has recommended a total of \$109 million at the reduced 25% match level, which would fund approximately 3,200 acres of conservation.² That funding constitutes the following (refer to Table 2 at the end of the report):

- \$93.6 million in CFT dollars
 - \$68.6 million CFT annual dollars from annual collections
 - \$25 million CFT bond dollars in the 2024 CFT bond project (appropriated in the 2023 budget but not yet assigned to projects)
 - The match waiver project recommendations remain unchanged from the status quo 50% match list because the match is not required: \$12.6 million in CFT dollars for seven projects in opportunity areas
- \$15.7 million in PL County open space dollars

Background: Conservation Futures Tax Levy Funding (CFT)

CFT is a dedicated portion of property taxes collected throughout King County, used to purchase open space lands and easements in unincorporated King County and in King County’s cities. CFT funding is a major part of accelerating the pace of land conservation under the King County Land Conservation Initiative, including policies in 2018 to allow significant levels of bond issuance against future CFT revenues, and the 2022 lift of the CFT collection rate back to the originally authorized 6.25 cents per \$1,000 assessed value. As noted previously, the standard match rate is 50% of project costs; in 2023, proposed legislation may reduce the match to 25%.

In 2018, the County adopted a policy to waive the required 50% match for projects in “opportunity areas,” with the goal to eliminate disparities in access to greenspaces, parks, and trails in communities that have the greatest needs. Projects may qualify for a match waiver if located in areas of the county with the lowest incomes, highest hospitalization rates for environmentally related chronic health conditions, and limited access to open spaces (qualification is not automatic; they must demonstrate community engagement, and the committee must determine if the project qualifies). Projects may also qualify by demonstrating that the population served by the project experience disproportionately limited access to open spaces and demonstrated hardships. Match waiver projects need to demonstrate community engagement.

² Original requests were adjusted administratively so that CFT represented 75% and cash match represented 25% of the project funding needed; projects using land match leveraged CFT proportionate to the 75%-25% match ratio.

Background: King County Parks Levy County Open Space Acquisition Funding

King County park levies have included dedicated County open space acquisition funding since 2008. In August 2019, King County voters passed the 2020-2025 King County Parks, Trails, and Open Space Replacement Levy, which includes dedicated County open space acquisition funding for King County projects. Since 2008, following the direction of Motion 12809, the committee has made recommendations for CFT and PL County open space funding. The committee believes that this practice is even more important now to achieve a balance of CFT and PL funding awarded to County projects and help further the goals of the Land Conservation Initiative.

Application Review and Funding Recommendation Process

The committee met from March through May to review projects and make recommendations. The committee held seven online project review sessions with applicants in April. The committee held field trips to view a cross-section of project sites across the county, now that the committee may convene in person following years of restrictions during the COVID-19 pandemic. The committee was pleased to again invite the input of Open Space Equity Cabinet members as part of a Conservation Futures Advisory Committee work group that provided match waiver project recommendations to the full committee.

There are many potential open space categories, and each year the committee strives to provide a balanced package of open space acquisition projects, with benefits such as wildlife and salmon habitat, farmland and forest preservation, passive outdoor recreation opportunities, urban greenspaces, and opportunity area projects. The committee reviews each project considering the adopted Conservation Futures criteria. The committee also considers factors related to the likelihood of success for specific projects, broader public policy goals, and factors such as landowner willingness to sell a property, meeting equity and social justice goals, community-driven open space priorities, the threat of loss of open space resources, once-in-a-generation opportunities, the geographic distribution of projects throughout the county, and regional significance.

The committee's recommendations for awarding projects bond CFT dollars were based on factors such as likelihood of implementation in the next year, likelihood of securing match funding, and compliance with bond-related financing requirements.

Committee Perspective

The following are a few takeaways from the committee's project review:

- The committee is pleased to see continued high demand for open space funding through the first few years of the Land Conservation Initiative.
- Match has been a limiting factor on awards for years, impacting applicants' abilities to put projects forward and fully implement desired conservation and community visions for open space conservation. The committee supports the shift to a 25% reduced match, seeing it as a key tool to accelerate the pace of acquisition through the Land Conservation Initiative and to reduce barriers to access Conservation Futures funding. The committee

is pleased to put forward a list of funding opportunities at the 25% reduced match level as an option for funding the 2024 awards.

- The committee evaluated eight match waiver requests this year, including three innovative projects put forward by nonprofits working on securing farmland access and land tenure for historically underserved populations. The committee is pleased to continue to support community-driven nonprofit projects in the future.
- The committee continues to encourage agency applicants for match waiver projects to engage the local community, or the population served by the project, early in the process, ideally developing the ideas in partnership with the local community to address the communities' priorities for open space needs.
- While additions to existing parks in opportunity areas are important, the committee also wants to encourage creation of new greenspaces in neighborhoods that lack greenspace entirely.
- The committee values the County staff support provided to the committee and Conservation Futures program, as well as the King County programs that implement County land acquisitions. The committee encourages ongoing evaluation of program needs and support as needed to implement the grant and acquisition programs.

Highlights: Projects Located in Incorporated Cities

- Of the many projects adding open space in cities, highlights include Bellevue's Cougar Mountain Connections, linking trail networks and closing gaps in public ownership; Duvall's expansion of Big Rock Park to accommodate growing use and hold the urban growth line; Seattle Parks' expansion of Hitt's Hill Park in the densifying Columbia City Urban Village; Seattle Public Utilities' expansion of Thornton Creek Confluence Natural Area, reducing flood risk and enhancing urban fish habitat; and Tukwila's reconnection of Nelsen Side Channel with the Green River mainstem, creating rare off-channel salmon rearing habitat on the Lower Green River.
- The following match waiver requests in cities were recommended for funding: Pacific's Tacoma Boulevard Wetlands Park, creating passive open space along the Interurban Trail; Seattle's Rainier Beach Residential Urban Village Park, creating pocket parks in an underserved part of the urban village; and Shoreline's West Echo Lake, securing waterfront access for residents of incoming affordable housing and current residents on the Aurora Avenue corridor.

Highlights: Projects Located in Unincorporated King County

- The following match waiver requests in unincorporated King County were recommended for funding: Viva Farms' Land to Grow: Beginning and Historically Underserved Farmer Agricultural Park, expanding their incubator farm program for new and historically underserved farmers; Wakulima Farms, working to extend farmland access and training to refugee and immigrant farmers; Washington Farmland Trust and the Pacific Northwest BIPOC Farmland Trust's Inaugural Farmland project to redress historic disparities in

access to farmland for Hmong and other Black, Indigenous, and people of color farmers; and King County's North Highline Urban Greenspace project, adding over five acres of open space to Seola Pond and filling a park gap.

- Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 7/Snoqualmie Watershed: The County builds on long-term projects to preserve high-quality riparian and forest habitat with acquisitions at Griffin Creek Natural Area, Mitchell Hill Forest, Raging River Natural Area, and Snoqualmie at Fall City. At Boxley Creek, the County's easement protecting forests and riverfront will provide long-term conservation at Camp Waskowitz.
- WRIA 8/Cedar-Lake Washington Watershed: The County expands conservation in the Bear Creek basin, protects key reaches of the Cedar River, enhances forest protection and trail opportunity at Cougar Mountain, acquires riparian lands on the salmon-bearing East Fork of Issaquah Creek, adds to Evans Creek Natural Area, and secures forest access and scenic viewsheds at Sugarloaf Mountain.
- WRIA 9/Green River Watershed: The County continues projects related to salmon habitat and open space conservation at Green River/Newaukum Creek, Green River Gorge, the Soos Creek and Lake Desire Natural Areas, Auburn Narrows Natural Area, and Bingaman Pond, and provides final funding to complete multiyear projects at Black Diamond Open Space and Kanaskat Natural Area.
- Vashon Island: The County continues work to preserve land at Frog Holler Forest, Maury Island, and Dockton Forest, as well as high-quality fish habitat at Christensen, Shinglemill, and Tahlequah creeks.
- Farmland: The County continues to preserve farmland across both Enumclaw/Green River and the Snoqualmie Agricultural Production Districts.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROJECTS LOCATED IN CITIES

- This section describes projects located in cities (in one case, intended for annexation into Duvall after purchase).
- This section is organized in alphabetical order by the name of the applicant (city or nonprofit organization name).
- If multiple applications have been submitted by an applicant, projects are listed in alphabetical order by project name.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Bellevue Cougar Mountain Connections	CFT (50% match)	\$6,165,000	\$6,165,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145669</i>	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$9,247,500 annual</i>

In this regionally significant project, the City of Bellevue seeks to close longstanding gaps in public ownership and trail networks between Coal Creek Natural Area and Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park. The city has identified two blocks of properties comprising 17.8 acres in the city’s Cougar Mountain/Lakemont neighborhoods, which would enable full-corridor conservation efforts, increase access to the parks, and connect disrupted trail networks. Two eastern parcels will conserve forested slopes and provide a highly sought-after trail connection to the Lakemont trail system and Cougar Mountain. The two western parcels will close a gap in public ownership between Coal Creek Natural Area and Cougar Mountain, enable a safer pedestrian crossing between the two parks, and prevent development that would negatively impact Coal Creek. This western project has strong community support and has received a support letter from Councilmembers Reagan Dunn and Claudia Balducci. Match comes from Bellevue capital project funding and external grant sources.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$6,165,000 CFT annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$9,247,500 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Bellevue – Newport Hills Woodlawn Park Addition	CFT (50% match)	\$529,000	\$529,000 annual
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145670 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799</i>	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$793,500 bond</i>

The City of Bellevue seeks to expand Newport Hills Woodlawn Park, increasing access from the north, including from nearby Eastrail. Acquisition would protect a 16.4-acre forested parcel containing mature canopy, critical area slopes, and several creeks. The project would close a gap in public ownership by connecting to the open space portion of the King County-owned Newport Hills Park and Ride. The project would fill a park access gap near Interstate 405, preclude permitted development next to critical habitat, reduce habitat fragmentation, and improve pedestrian connections from the Park and Ride, SE 60th Street, and the Eastrail multiuse path. Match comes from Bellevue capital project funding.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$529,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$793,500 CFT bond dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Covington Camp McCullough	CFT (50% match)	\$215,000	\$215,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145682</i>	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$645,000 annual</i>

The City of Covington seeks an easement to conserve the forested open space at Camp McCullough. This year’s proposal is the first request of a phased project to acquire an easement on the undeveloped portion (30 acres) of a 37-acre parcel adjacent to Pipe Lake and East Covington Park. Acquisition would prevent future development and ensure forest preservation on the property. Long-term, the vision is to secure the potential of a public park and Pipe Lake Trail, should the owner choose to sell in the future. Acquisition also helps protect high-value aquatic and forest habitat at one of the only lakes in Covington, which has been developing rapidly. Match comes from a land match at East Covington Park.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$215,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$645,000 CFT annual dollars.³

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Covington Jenkins Creek Open Space	CFT (50% match)	\$55,000	\$55,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145683</i>	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$82,500 annual</i>

The City of Covington seeks to acquire a wetland parcel as part of a vision to create a contiguous greenbelt and trail corridor through the city along Jenkins Creek. This acquisition would protect a 1.2-acre parcel containing Jenkins Creek and associated riparian areas, which would add to existing city-owned land along the five-mile corridor and create options for the future Jenkins Creek Recreation Trail. This project will preclude encroaching commercial development, close one of the last gaps in the corridor, and protect water quality for salmon and trout in Jenkins Creek, a tributary to Soos Creek and the Green River. Match comes from the city’s parks capital fund.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$55,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$82,500 CFT annual dollars.

³ Land match is leveraged to represent 75% CFT-25% match.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Duvall Big Rock Park Expansion	CFT (50% match)	\$936,389	\$936,389 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145684</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,403,850 annual</i>

The City of Duvall seeks to add passive open space to its main active recreation park, Big Rock Park. The city has identified three parcels comprising 13.8 acres on either side of the existing park at the edge of the urban growth boundary (to be annexed after purchase). The acquisition will help the park accommodate growing use, fill a gap in public ownership between the ball fields and city boundary, and create a green buffer between the park and a nearby subdivision. It would also preserve designated exceptional tree areas that serve as habitat for large mammals. Match comes from city park funding and land match on a recently acquired parcel.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$936,389 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,403,850 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Kenmore Muck Creek Restoration	CFT (50% match)	\$340,000	\$340,000 annual
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145685 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$510,000 bond</i>

The City of Kenmore is acquiring a parcel on Muck Creek to support stream restoration on a tributary of Swamp Creek. Acquisition of this 1.34-acre parcel would allow the city to remove a frequently flooded home, several smaller structures, and impervious surfaces. This project would add to nearly 20 acres of previously acquired wetland properties on Swamp Creek, located directly east of the project site. Acquisition will improve water quality in a known fish-bearing stream, allow for restoration of degraded habitat on the property, and extend passive use wetlands. Match comes from city funding.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$340,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$510,000 CFT bond dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Kenmore Tributary 0056 Property Acquisition	CFT (50% match)	\$24,500	\$24,500 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145686</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$36,750 annual</i>

The City of Kenmore seeks to acquire a parcel to preserve habitat along Tributary 0056, less than ½ mile above where the stream flows into Lake Washington. The city would acquire a single 0.3-acre property and restore the riparian habitat. It would also build on a larger city vision to address fish-passage barriers in these lower reaches of the tributary, where a major project

recently restored the confluence with Lake Washington and where additional work is planned near the Burke-Gilman Trail. This project would improve water quality of a salmon-bearing creek, preclude development on a wetland parcel, and provide visual benefits since this restoration project runs parallel to a sidewalk and bike lane. Match comes from city funding.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$24,500 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$36,750 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Normandy Park Hall Property Acquisition on Miller Creek	CFT (50% match)	\$400,000	\$400,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145687</i>	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$600,000 annual</i>

The City of Normandy Park seeks to restore the natural function of Miller Creek while creating a park for the public to view annual salmon returns. Acquisition of the 0.76-acre parcel will allow the demolition of a frequently flooded home and support the restoration of riparian, wetland, and floodplain functions on the property. Restoration of salmon habitat is especially important given the coho urban runoff mortality syndrome documented in this basin. The proposed acquisition reduces flood hazards and allows for the expansion of Salmon View Park, which will help close a gap in local, publicly accessible sites for salmon viewing and expand environmental education opportunities. The project also creates an opportunity to link the Miller Creek site with the recently acquired, CFT-funded parcel on Walker/Sequoia Creek. The two parcels would be linked with an interpretive trail along the sidewalk. Match is anticipated to come from a WRIA 9 Cooperative Watershed Management grant.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$400,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$600,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Pacific Tacoma Boulevard Wetlands Park	CFT	\$234,200	\$234,200 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145688</i>	Match Waiver Determination		Yes

The City of Pacific seeks to expand its park system to keep up with its residents' needs and to help offset the loss of other parkland due to a flood mitigation project. Acquisition of five parcels totaling three acres along the Interurban Trail will allow for site restoration and passive recreation amenities. The project would enhance natural and scenic resources along the Interurban Trail, buffer residents from industrial impacts, protect salmonid habitat in Milwaukee Creek, and help close the city's shortage of park land.

The city requests a match waiver. This location is in the lowest third of census tracts for income and the highest third of ZIP codes for hospitalization rates, though it is slightly too close to open

space to qualify by meeting the three key criteria. The area has a high incidence of poverty and a low average life expectancy, and the King County Determinants of Equity Report identifies the city as a food desert. The city ranks highly for particulates and asthma and is also at risk for climate-induced flooding from the White River. In recent public surveys, residents ranked additional open space as a “very high priority.” The city will utilize existing relationships with local community service groups for site maintenance and will elevate youth voices in decisions about site design and management. The applicant has provided support letters from Pacific Partnerships and the Auburn Noon Lions Club.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver based on the socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of the community, the need for greenspace in this underserved community, and the importance of buffering air pollution and transportation corridor impacts.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$234,200 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Sammamish Landa Property	CFT (50% match)	\$532,700	\$532,700 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145689</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$799,050 annual</i>

The City of Sammamish seeks to retain passive open space and vibrant wildlife habitat that are threatened by encroaching development. Acquisition of the 1.7-acre forested parcel will add to the 15-acre “Parker Property,” a recently acquired, CFT-funded open space. The property contains mature tree canopy and a seasonal stream that supports Kokanee salmon in Lake Sammamish. This project would augment the existing park and work toward the goals of creating a greenbelt along the western edge of the city and connecting these parcels with the East Lake Sammamish Trail. This also opens the possibility for trail connections east to Ebright Creek Park, which may be a future conservation priority. Match comes from the city’s capital project fund.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$532,700 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$799,050 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Seattle (Parks) Hitt’s Hill Park Addition	CFT (50% match)	\$1,015,000	\$1,015,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145690</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,522,500 annual</i>

The City of Seattle Parks and Recreation Department seeks to expand Hitt’s Hill Park in Columbia City, where recent upzoning is driving the need for more greenspace. The city will acquire 1.5 acres, which includes one full parcel, including a house on the north side (with a life estate lease), and just the wooded backyard of a second parcel to separately enable preservation

of the historic landmark home. The house on the full parcel would be demolished, and the land on both parcels would be restored with native plants and added to the park for a total of five acres. Acquisition would provide more greenspace for 200 affordable units being built within two blocks of Hitt’s Hill Park. Match comes from the Seattle Park District.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,015,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,522,500 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Seattle (Parks) – Rainier Beach Residential Urban Village Park	CFT	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145691</i>	Match Waiver Determination		Yes

The City of Seattle Parks and Recreation Department seeks funding to evaluate and begin acquisition of up to three potential open spaces in the rapidly growing Rainier Beach Residential Urban Village. The city will acquire up to 3.5 acres depending on which of the three sites are most feasible. Currently the Rainier Beach Urban Village lacks enough accessible open space to meet residents’ needs. Acquisition supports the community’s goals of creating greenspace that is accessible for differently abled residents and improving the Henderson Street Corridor between the Rainier Beach Light Rail station and the waterfront at Be’er Sheva Park.

The city requests a match waiver. While this location is in the lowest third of census tracts for income, it is slightly too close to open space and has slightly lower hospitalization rates than under the qualification method of meeting three key criteria. The area has many socioeconomic factors representative of a historically underserved community such as a high poverty rate, low life expectancy, and high percentage of households with limited English-speaking ability. Residents have long pushed for more greenspace through the city’s Comprehensive Planning process. The city provided letters of support from Rainier Beach Action Coalition, a leading advocate for the neighborhood; CHAMPS Resource & Service Center (Changing Habits and Motivating Personal Self-esteem); and SouthEast Effective Development (SEED), a local affordable housing developer.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver based on the socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of the community, the long-documented need for more greenspace in this portion of the urban village, and the engagement with local stakeholders central to informing the creation of new greenspaces.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,000,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Seattle (SPU) – Thornton Confluence Natural Area Expansion	CFT (50% match)	\$1,170,475	\$500,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145694</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$750,000 annual</i>

Seattle Public Utilities aims to expand the floodplain footprint of Thornton Creek to increase flood storage and enhance salmon habitat. This year’s scope includes 0.45 acres across two developed properties located in or adjacent to the FEMA floodway. However, the city clearly prioritized only the northern parcel as ready for acquisition and funding this year. The city plans to remove the structures and incorporate them into the existing Thornton Confluence project. Acquisition would expand an adjacent greenspace connecting to Meadowbrook Pond, and close critical longstanding gaps in the confluence footprint, which would mitigate repetitive flooding when the land is restored to a natural state. The acquisition contributes to a functioning urban wildlife habitat system including increased spawning and rearing habitat for Chinook, coho, sockeye, and coastal cutthroat trout, especially important given the urban runoff mortality syndrome of coho salmon documented in Thornton Creek. The project is within walking distance of schools and a community center, with ample opportunity for urban ecology education and scenic views from the street. Match is expected to come from SPU’s capital budget.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$500,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$750,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Shoreline Twin Ponds	CFT (50% match)	\$857,000	\$857,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145696</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,285,500 annual</i>

The City of Shoreline seeks to expand Twin Ponds Park on its southern edge, to increase park access in a rapidly growing area. This project would add two parcels comprising 0.34 acres to the park. The city indicates that acquisition would allow the city to remove the houses on site, restore the creek, and put in a loop trail connecting to the broader trails system in the park. Acquisition would make the park accessible from the south entrance, which will help accommodate visitors coming from the future light rail station at 148th Street and the associated mobility corridor that runs immediately in front of the proposed acquisitions. The city is also reaching out to 12 adjacent property owners along the southernmost property line of Twin Ponds Park. The project is consistent with the city’s overall plan to invest in parks within upzoned areas and transit hubs. Match funding comes from a voter-approved parks bond.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$857,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,285,500 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Shoreline West Echo Lake	CFT (50% match)	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145697</i>	Match Waiver Determination		Yes

The City of Shoreline seeks to expand public access to Echo Lake along the rapidly developing Aurora Avenue corridor. The city will acquire a single 0.3-acre parcel and restore it as a passive-use park with lake access. Acquisition would provide much needed public access from the west side, where over 1,400 units of housing, including significant affordable housing, are planned and under construction. This is a rare opportunity to secure a park in a dense urban area on a mostly privately owned urban lake and advances the city’s long-term goal to make Echo Lake a public amenity for this rapidly growing area.

The applicant requests a match waiver. This location is in the lowest third of census tracts for income, though it is slightly too close to open space and has slightly lower hospitalization rates than would qualify by meeting the three key criteria. However, Echo Lake Park and the Interurban Trail on the other side of the lake are not easily accessible for older people or those living with disabilities coming from the Aurora side. The area has many socioeconomic factors representative of a historically underserved community such as a high number of people who live with disabilities and have limited English-speaking ability. The city has conducted multiple engagement sessions and door-to-door outreach with nearby residents and Aurora businesses. The city has provided three support letters from King County Housing Authority, Catholic Community and Housing Services, and Alpha Supported Living Services, all of whom are developing affordable housing within walking distance of this project.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver based on the socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of the community, and the importance of providing open space in the rapidly developing Echo Lake area, particularly in the context of the local affordable and supportive housing developments in place or being developed in the immediate vicinity.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,045,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Tukwila Nelsen Side Channel Acquisition	CFT (50% match)	\$200,000	\$100,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145699</i>	Match Waiver Determination		No
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$150,000 annual</i>

The City of Tukwila seeks to create rare off-channel rearing habitat on the Lower Green River for juvenile salmon. The city will acquire a single 1.46-acre parcel and set back the levee to reconnect the river with its historic remnant channel. The site design will include wood placements and riparian shoreline complexity to provide a refuge and food sources for salmon. Acquisition will also increase flood storage capacity during the rainy season. The city intends to

provide public shoreline access here and expand signage and wayfinding to facilitate connections to the Green River and Interurban Trails.

The city requests a match waiver. This location is in the lowest third of census tracts for income and the highest third of ZIP codes for hospitalization rates, though it is slightly too close to the Green River Trail across the river to qualify by meeting the three key criteria. The census tract is quite large and includes residential uses to the northwest, north of I-405, but commercial and industrial uses surround the project site. Tukwila is one of the most diverse cities in the country, with over 80 languages spoken and ~40% of residents being foreign born. Data for the census tract (for residents living in neighborhoods north of I-405) have many socioeconomic factors representative of a historically underserved community such as a high poverty rate and low tree canopy coverage. The city is planning its community engagement strategy, which will include open public engagement sessions and outreach. The city has provided four support letters from WRIA 9 salmon recovery, Dirt Corps, Washington State Department of Natural Resources, and Nicoterra Trails.

The committee determines that, while this project is a very compelling habitat restoration proposal, it does not merit a match waiver. This census tract indeed shows socioeconomic and demographic characteristics that support a match waiver, but the residents of this census tract do not, in fact, live in this part of the census tract. The project site is a largely commercial and industrial setting. The committee was not confident that directional signage from nearby trails would provide meaningful connections to residents. The project also seems limited in community engagement, without local voices, schools, or community-based organizations as part of the proposal.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$100,000 annual dollars (requiring match, as the project did not receive a match waiver). At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$150,000 annual dollars.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROJECTS LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED KING COUNTY

- *Projects in this section are located in unincorporated King County.*
- *First are listed projects sponsored by cities and nonprofits.*
- *Second are listed projects sponsored by King County, in the following geographic location/program order. Within each location/program, projects are listed alphabetically:
WRIA 7 (Snoqualmie watershed) – WRIA 8 (Cedar/Lake Washington watershed) – WRIA 9 (Green River watershed) – Vashon – Farmland.*
- *Several scope adjustments are noted below to relate the scopes of recent and current awards.*
- *At the end are two standalone scope additions not associated with a current award.*

Projects sponsored by cities or nonprofits

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Seattle (SPU) Helen Sherry Property Acquisition	CFT (50% match)	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145693</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,650,000 annual</i>

Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) aims to acquire property along the Cedar River to allow for a reach-scale salmon habitat restoration project in the area. The city would acquire two parcels totaling 20.12 acres, demolish all structures, and construct complex off-channel rearing and refuge habitat for juvenile salmon, which would be publicly accessible. This parcel would add significant additional aquatic, riparian, and upland protection to the contiguously protected area in the Royal Arch Reach and would leave only one remaining river-facing parcel unprotected in a nearly mile-long stretch of salmon habitat. This project leverages significant past acquisition and restoration investment to protect 800 feet of critical spawning habitat for Chinook, coho, and sockeye. The target parcels are next to a 16-acre juvenile salmon habitat restoration project being built this year; acquisition would allow future expansion of the restoration project onto these parcels. River access provides ongoing scenic opportunities including direct access to view spawning salmon; this area is notable for being prime Chinook and sockeye spawning habitat. Match comes from SPU Capital funding.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,100,000 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,650,000 annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
SHADOW Shadow Lake Nature Preserve	CFT (50% match)	\$142,500	\$142,500 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145695</i>		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$255,000 annual</i>

SHADOW seeks to protect wetland and lakefront habitat along a large peat bog and Shadow Lake. SHADOW will acquire and restore four properties comprising 1.61 acres on the western shore of the lake, with a vision to eventually decommission the lakefront road. This project

builds on recent and near-future acquisitions on this side. Acquisition would mitigate problem uses on lakefront lots and support rare plant preservation, an expanded wildlife corridor, and public education for several south county cities whose school districts use it as an outdoor classroom. Match is expected to come from a combination of land match and cash match on the 50% match list; on the 25% match list, match would be solely land match.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$142,500 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$255,000 annual dollars.⁴

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Tacoma Water Upper Green River Property Acquisition	CFT (50% match)	\$977,840	\$977,840 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145698</i>	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,466,760 annual</i>

In this regionally significant project, Tacoma Water seeks to conserve property in the Upper Green River Watershed to preserve water quality. The agency will acquire five parcels comprising 621 acres within one-half mile of the Green River mainstem. Acquisition would enhance habitat connectivity and support ecosystem services. This project will allow comprehensive and unified management in this area, and secure critical Chinook spawning habitat when fish passage is restored at Howard Hanson Dam in 2030. Match comes from the Tacoma Water Capital Fund.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$977,840 annual dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,466,760 annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Viva Farms Land to Grow, Beginning and Historically Underserved Farmer Agricultural Park	CFT	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145700</i>	Match Waiver Determination		Yes

Viva Farms seeks to extend farmland access and training to beginning and historically underserved farmers. The funding will allow Viva Farms to acquire up to 100 acres in the Snoqualmie Agricultural Production District. Building on their experience at multiple other farms in the region, Viva will create an “Agriculture Park” where farmers transition from farm business incubator programs to establish long-term leases, supporting up to 15 newer farm businesses. Viva Farms provides comprehensive support from initial farmer training, incubator farm support, shorter- and longer-term leases, marketing and business development, and an emerging program to help farmers transition to owners. The County determined Viva Farms was

⁴ Land match is leveraged to represent 75% CFT-25% match.

a CFT-eligible nonprofit nature conservancy conserving natural resources/open space for public benefit. Acquisition will work toward redressing historic disparities in access to open space by providing beginning and historically underserved farmers with secure land tenure and technical assistance. The success of new farmers is critical to the future of local agriculture, as many senior farmers are set to retire, and thousands of acres of King County farmland may be lost to development in the next decade.

The applicant requests a match waiver on the grounds that this project will serve new and historically underserved farmers, including those who identify as Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) and LGBTQ+. In 2022, nearly half of Viva’s participating farmers identified as Hispanic or BIPOC, and they managed nearly 86% of Viva’s total acreage (Viva noted that, while Latino farmworkers make up 83% of agricultural labor, they own just 2.9% of production acreage nationally). 62% of Viva’s farmers identified as female or non-binary, and they managed 92% of Viva’s total acreage. The beginning farmers that Viva works with are routinely underserved by standard extension models and are considered a “limited resource” by the USDA. Viva will deepen its partnerships with Washington Farmland Trust, the King County Agriculture Program, and others to understand and tailor their model to farmers’ needs. Viva has provided letters of support signed by 22 participating farmers and 16 organizational partners.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver. Viva Farms works intentionally with beginning, immigrant, and historically underserved farmers, focusing on people of color, Spanish speakers, and women and non-binary populations, which are under-represented in traditional farming communities. Viva Farms more generally works to support a new generation of farmers who lack traditional forms of capital and land access but are critical to ensure long-term succession of farming in this region with future generational change. They provide comprehensive support of all aspects of establishing farm businesses, and this new Agriculture Park will help provide additional land access and land tenure to more businesses.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,000,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Wakulima USA Wakulima Farm	CFT	\$1,560,000	\$1,560,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145701</i>	Match Waiver Determination		Yes

Wakulima USA seeks to extend farmland access and training to refugee and immigrant farmers. The CFT award would fund approximately five acres in south King County to establish a permanent home for the organization and carry out its mission: providing affordable leases for immigrants to grow culturally relevant crops, enjoy the health benefits of open space, and build community. The County determined Wakulima USA was a CFT-eligible nonprofit nature conservancy, conserving natural resources/open space for public benefit. Acquisition would support local food systems, preserve natural resources, preserve culture and traditional foodways, educate participants about nutrition, and advance food sovereignty for south county residents

who lack access to fresh crops from their home countries. Land ownership would also grant Wakulima USA stability as an organization, allowing them to build capacity.

The applicant requests a match waiver on the grounds that their project will serve immigrant and refugee farmers, many of whom live in opportunity-area cities in the south county. This project will serve farmers who meet the income requirement for an opportunity area, lack access to open space, and experience disparate health impacts. Wakulima Farm’s leadership team will be comprised of participating farmers, who will share decision-making power around site design and the farm’s work plan. Wakulima USA will deepen its partnerships with Living Well Kent, local food banks, and other community organizations that support immigrants and refugees. Wakulima USA has provided letters of support from Washington Farmland Trust, Northwest Agriculture Business Center, EarthCorps, Living Well Kent, and a local food bank.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver. This project will create important farmland and greenspace access opportunity for East African immigrant farmers, a population deserving of a match waiver based on socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of the community. The nonprofit’s vision is to not only provide farmland to grow culturally relevant foods and address food insecurity, but also to provide the community ways to connect with nature for mental health benefits and build community connections.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,560,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
Washington Farmland Trust & PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust Inaugural Farmland for the PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust	CFT	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145702</i>	Match Waiver Determination		Yes

Washington Farmland Trust, in partnership with the newly established PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust, seeks to redress historic disparities in access to open space and farmland for Hmong and other Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) farmers. The project vision is to acquire up to 60 acres in King County, possibly across two sites. Washington Farmland Trust is applying on behalf of the PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust, as the latter is not yet eligible for CFT; once that entity becomes fully eligible for CFT, they would work with King County to transfer the funding or purchased land to them. The PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust is working to incorporate as an eligible nonprofit within one year. Acquisition would address historic disparities in land access for BIPOC farmers, preserve critical farmland that is being lost at an alarming rate, enhance native habitat, and provide educational opportunities for participating farmers and youth.

The applicant requests a match waiver because their project will serve historically underserved and BIPOC farmers, who have experienced disparities in access to farmland and endure hardships including poverty, poor health, and lack of access to stable housing. They plan to serve

the Hmong immigrant community with initial farming placements, but more broadly have a coalition working to find land for people of color. Many Hmong families in the county live under the poverty line and face imminent displacement from the farms they currently lease. The decision to create a BIPOC Farmland Trust demonstrates a “community ownership” approach. The Farmland Trust will be advised by a committee of 10+ BIPOC farmers and community members who will facilitate intentional, sustained support services such as below-market-rate leases, technical assistance, and community organizing for BIPOC farmers in the region. The applicant has provided support letters from the International Rescue Committee and Business Impact Northwest, and nearly 700 signatures from community members.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver. This project will provide land access and land tenure to historically underserved populations, including Hmong farmers and other communities of color that have not had reliable farmland access in the past. The emerging PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust is grounded in redressing the long-term impacts of institutional racism and food injustices; they have a strong vision for establishing a first farm and possibly returning for future expansion with additional farmland.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$4,000,000 CFT annual dollars.

Projects sponsored by King County

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Boxley Creek Natural Area	CFT (50% match)	\$4,500,000	\$2,000,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$3,100,000	\$600,000
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145703 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799 New PL project #1145903</i>	Total (50% match)	\$7,600,000	\$2,600,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$6,750,000 bond</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,550,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$8,300,000</i>

This regionally significant project will acquire a conservation easement to ensure long-term protection of undeveloped forest and riverfront at Camp Waskowitz near North Bend. A 344-acre conservation easement will prevent development, preserve mature forest stands, and maintain a healthy riparian corridor along the South Fork Snoqualmie River. The easement will allow for trail opportunity, connecting to Boxley Creek Natural Area and the Snoqualmie Valley Trail, balancing public use with camp use. The forests on site provide wildlife habitat for large mammals and provide important water-quality benefits to the Snoqualmie watershed. Match funding comes from the Parks Levy award, as well as Parks Levy Open Space River Corridors and Cooperative Watershed Management grants.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$2,600,000 total, consisting of \$2,000,000 CFT annual dollars and \$600,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25%

match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$8,300,000 total, consisting of \$6,750,000 CFT bond dollars and \$1,550,000 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Griffin Creek Natural Area	CFT (50% match)	\$160,500	\$160,500 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$260,000	\$260,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145704 ⁵ Existing PL project #1121451</i>	Total (50% match)	\$420,500	\$420,500
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$240,750 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$179,750</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$420,500</i>

King County continues a long-term effort to increase habitat connectivity between the headwaters of Griffin Creek Natural Area in the Snoqualmie Forest and the confluence of Griffin Creek with the Snoqualmie River in the Snoqualmie Agricultural Production District. The focus of the current request is to acquire a 1.3-acre parcel within a corridor of protected land along Griffin Creek. Removing the existing home enables forest restoration, improving habitat for native salmonids including Chinook and coho salmon. Griffin Creek produces more coho salmon than any other creek in the basin; the creek was a focus of the Waterways 2000 land conservation program targeting some of the most significant habitat opportunities in the county. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award, which also included additional Parks Levy to match an earlier CFT award to the project.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$420,500 total, consisting of \$160,000 CFT annual dollars and \$260,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$420,500 total, consisting of \$240,750 CFT annual dollars and \$179,750 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Mitchell Hill Forest	CFT (50% match)	\$625,000	\$325,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$625,000	\$325,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145705 ⁶ Existing PL project #1044750</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,250,000	\$650,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$937,500 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$312,500</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,250,000</i>

King County continues a regionally significant, multiyear effort to expand habitat protections and trail connections at Mitchell Hill Forest and adjacent public lands outside of Preston. This

⁵ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2021 bond project #1137238.

⁶ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1123828, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013.

year’s request targets 14 acres of mature forest to expand Mitchell Hill. The acquisition prevents development of adjacent lands, closes gaps in public ownership, reduces potential for habitat fragmentation, and preserves a tributary to Patterson Creek, which is a salmon-bearing stream. The acquisition also provides trail opportunities for the future Mitchell Hill trail network. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$650,000 total, consisting of \$325,000 CFT annual dollars and \$325,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,250,000 total, consisting of \$937,500 CFT annual dollars and \$312,500 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Raging River Natural Area	CFT (50% match)	\$1,500,000	\$50,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,500,000	\$50,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145706⁷ Existing PL project # 1132220</i>	Total (50% match)	\$3,000,000	\$100,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$2,250,000 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$750,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$3,000,000</i>

This project is a regionally significant, multiyear effort to protect Raging River Quarry. Funding awards to date have resulted in the acquisition of a 26-acre mining-zoned parcel, a seven-acre easement on the mine parcel, and provided funding for a five-acre residential parcel anticipated to be acquired in 2023. This request is to acquire fee title to the 20-acre mine parcel (already subject to a seven-acre conservation easement). The County is early in its planning efforts on this site, noting that ongoing conversations with regional partners, such as the Mountains to Sound Greenway and Washington State Department of Natural Resources, will help inform the future vision, which likely includes trailhead opportunities. Acquisition would allow restoration and reforestation of this site, which would provide habitat benefit to the adjacent Raging River that is used by Chinook, coho, chum salmon, and steelhead and cutthroat trout. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$100,000 total, consisting of \$50,000 CFT annual dollars and \$50,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,000,000 total, consisting of \$2,225,000 CFT annual dollars and \$750,000 PL dollars.

⁷ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2020 bond project 1134923.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Snoqualmie at Fall City	CFT (50% match)	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$0	\$0
<i>New CFT annual project #1145707⁸</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,500,000 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$0</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,500,000</i>

This regionally significant project will acquire property at the confluence of the Snoqualmie and Raging Rivers in Fall City. The project focuses on 130 acres that primarily serve as a golf course. The acquisition will allow for major levee setback projects along both rivers, preserving well over one mile of shoreline. This site also offers opportunity for high-priority habitat restoration work supporting Chinook, coho, chum, and pink salmon. The Snoqualmie River is on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list and has a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water quality improvement project for Ammonia-N, biological oxygen demand (five-day), fecal coliform, and temperature. The County will develop a master plan with community involvement to envision future site uses, which are anticipated to include trails, community use, and possibly agriculture. Match funding is expected to come from Parks Levy Open Space River Corridor funding; additional Conservation Futures and Parks Levy funding will likely be requested.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,000,000 total, consisting of \$1,000,000 CFT annual dollars and \$0 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,500,000 total, consisting of \$1,500,000 CFT annual dollars and \$0 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Tokul Creek Forest Additions	CFT (50% match)	\$1,157,000	\$789,250 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$578,500	\$210,750
<i>New CFT annual project #1145708 New PL project #1145905</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,735,500	\$1,000,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,735,500 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$289,250</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$2,024,750</i>

The project seeks to expand Tokul Creek Forest, located north of the City of Snoqualmie, along the Snoqualmie Valley Trail, and connected to the Snoqualmie Forest easement. The proposal would add up to 34 acres across five parcels to acquire an inholding and expand the forest to the east and west. Acquisition preserves mature forest stands, supporting upland watershed protection for fish habitat in Mud Creek and nearby tributaries and wetlands. The County and its partners, Si View Parks District and the Evergreen Mountain Biking Association, are exploring new trail connections through the property. Match comes from the recommended Parks Levy

⁸ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2020 bond project #1134923, PL project #1114767.

award, and additional funding sought from the Parks Levy Parks Capital and Open Space Grant Program, in collaboration with Si View Parks District.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,000,000 total, consisting of \$789,250 CFT annual dollars and \$210,750 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,024,750 total, consisting of \$1,735,500 CFT annual dollars and \$289,250 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Union Hill Forest	CFT (50% match)	\$3,000,000	\$2,250,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$3,000,000	\$2,250,000
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145709 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799 New PL project #1145907</i>	Total (50% match)	\$6,000,000	\$4,500,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$4,500,000 total (\$30,000 annual, \$4,470,000 bond)</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,500,000</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$6,000,000</i>

This project is anticipated to be the first request in a multiyear, regionally significant vision to preserve up to 400 acres of forest in the Ames Lake/Union Hill Road area northeast of Sammamish. This initial phase proposes acquisition of six parcels comprising 130 acres, all under the ownership of a single landowner. The initial parcels contain diverse younger and mature forest stands, and support tributaries flowing to Ames Creek and the Snoqualmie River. The proposed later phases also support forest at various stages of maturity, providing a significant amount of wildlife habitat, headwater stream protection, and carbon sequestration opportunity. This is a rare opportunity to acquire a large contiguous block of undeveloped forest lands that are at risk for development and are owned by just two landowners. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

Under the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$4,500,000 total, consisting of \$2,250,000 CFT annual dollars and \$2,250,000 PL dollars. Under the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$6,000,000 total, consisting of \$30,000 CFT annual dollars, \$4,470,000 CFT bond dollars, and \$1,500,000 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 7 Upper Snoqualmie-South Fork Skykomish Opportunity Projects	CFT (50% match)	\$20,000	\$20,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$20,000	\$20,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145710 New PL project #1145909</i>	Total (50% match)	\$40,000	\$40,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$30,000 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$40,000</i>

This request would support initial steps to secure future potential land acquisitions in the headwaters of WRIA 7. This startup award would be used to identify and conduct appraisals on parcels when they become available, and to continue early discussions with potential sellers. In the future, acquisition would help restore hydrologic function and support planned restoration projects in the North Fork Snoqualmie River watershed, and the Miller River confluence with the South Fork of the Skykomish. Protecting the headwaters enhances downstream salmonid habitat for Chinook, which are transported into this portion of the watershed by the Tulalip Tribe. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$40,000 total, consisting of \$20,000 CFT annual dollars and \$20,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$40,000 total, consisting of \$30,000 CFT annual dollars and \$10,000 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Bear Creek Basin Protection	CFT (50% match)	\$1,850,000	\$912,700 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,850,000	\$912,700
<i>New CFT annual project #1145711⁹ Existing PL Project #1044590</i>	Total (50% match)	\$3,700,000	\$1,825,400
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$2,775,000 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$925,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$3,700,000</i>

King County continues decades of conservation work in the Bear Creek watershed to fill gaps in public ownership and provide open space connectivity along Bear Creek and its tributaries, which represent regionally significant salmonid habitat. This year, King County seeks to acquire in fee seven parcels comprising 95 acres across the Bear Creek Basin. This acquisition protects high-value streamside salmon habitat in a critical subbasin for spawning Chinook and preserves important sources of cold water in the upper reaches of the basin. Planned restoration of these parcels would further improve ecological function. Bear Creek is on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of polluted water bodies and has a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water quality

⁹ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1116231, CFT 2022 Bond Project #1139013, CFT 2023 Bond Project #1141757.

improvement project for fecal coliform, dissolved oxygen, and water quality. The project expands linkages along the Bear Creek corridor at Cold Creek, Cottage Lake Creek, and Middle Bear Creek. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,825,400 total, consisting of \$912,700 CFT annual dollars and \$912,700 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,700,000 total, consisting of \$2,775,000 CFT annual dollars and \$925,000 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Cedar River Basin Conservation	CFT (50% match)	\$2,122,500	\$1,225,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$2,037,500	\$1,090,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145717 ¹⁰ Existing PL project #1133890</i>	Total (50% match)	\$4,160,000	\$2,315,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$2,714,052 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,258,957</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$3,973,009</i>

In this regionally significant project, King County continues decades of work to conserve forested and riparian lands in the Cedar River Basin. This year, the County seeks to acquire 235 acres across 20 parcels across the basin: Black Diamond, Belmondo Reach, Crow Marsh, Landsburg Natural Area, and Rutledge Johnson levee. Acquisition supports a host of social and ecological benefits such as enhanced water quality for salmon, future trail network expansion, continuous wildlife corridors, and large-scale wetland and floodplain restoration projects. The Cedar River is a Tier 1 priority stream for Chinook recovery in WRIA 8, and several of the target properties could be rearing and refuge habitat for salmonid once they are reconnected to the floodplain. Protecting these parcels will provide a buffer to the Rainbow Bend Mitigation Project and help re-establish wetlands, as well as expand the footprint of a major levee removal project underway at Rutledge Johnson. Numerous parcels protect forests above the Cedar River and in the upper parts of the basin, contributing to water quality functions. Match funding comes from Mitigation Reserves, state Recreation and Conservation Office Salmon Recovery Funding Board, and the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$2,315,000 total, consisting of \$1,225,000 CFT annual dollars and \$1,090,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$3,973,009 total, consisting of \$2,714,052 CFT annual dollars and \$1,258,957 PL dollars.

¹⁰ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1132090, CFT annual project #1133814, CFT 2020 bond project #1134923, PL project #1129472, PL project #1132222.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Cougar Mountain Additions	CFT (50% match)	\$2,572,500	\$770,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$2,572,500	\$530,000
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145718 ¹¹ 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799 Existing PL project #1044596</i>	Total (50% match)	\$5,145,000	\$1,300,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$3,858,750 total (\$1,758,750 annual, \$2,100,000 bond)</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,046,250</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$4,905,000</i>

This regionally significant project seeks to protect forested uplands that would expand Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park. This year, the County seeks to acquire 66.25 acres across nine forested parcels on the northern, eastern, and Cougar/Squak sides of the park. Acquisition will preclude residential development on the urban growth boundary, provide passive recreational opportunities, maintain viewsheds, and enable sustainable trails in areas of high use, where new trailheads and parking lots are being built. These acquisitions build on decades of conservation at Cougar Mountain, expanding on more than 3,000 acres of conserved forests and miles of trails at the site. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award and from forest carbon credit proceeds to be invested at the site.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,300,000 total, consisting of \$770,000 CFT annual dollars and \$530,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$4,905,000 total, consisting of \$1,758,750 CFT annual dollars, \$2,100,000 CFT bond dollars, and \$1,046,250 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 East Fork Issaquah Creek Restoration	CFT (50% match)	\$1,145,000	\$800,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,145,000	\$800,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145719 ¹² Existing PL project #1141650</i>	Total (50% match)	\$2,290,000	\$1,600,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,717,500 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$572,500</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,290,000</i>

King County continues ongoing efforts to conserve land on the East Fork of Issaquah Creek, along the Issaquah-Preston Regional Trail between High Point and Preston. This proposal builds on the 2022 purchase of 12 acres in this area, with a request to purchase three more parcels totaling 15 acres along the East Fork of Issaquah Creek. Funding will complement a separate

¹¹ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1138975, CFT 2021 bond project 1137238.

¹² The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1143694.

assessment of potential restoration opportunities benefitting Chinook salmon, as identified in the Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish (WRIA 8) Watershed Chinook Salmon Conservation Plan. This reach of the creek contains high-functioning aquatic and terrestrial habitat, including one mile of creekfront. There is a partial fish barrier on the creek that the King County Fish Passage program has deemed a high priority for its potential benefit to Chinook if removed. Restoration goals include creek and wetland restoration along the scenic corridor adjacent to the regional trail and the I-90/Mountains to Sound Greenway corridor. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,600,000 total, consisting of \$800,000 CFT annual dollars and \$800,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,290,000 total, consisting of \$1,717,500 CFT annual dollars and \$572,500 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Emerald Necklace	CFT (50% match)	\$440,000	\$250,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$500,000	\$250,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145720 Existing PL project #1123925</i>	Total (50% match)	\$940,000	\$500,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$660,000 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$280,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$940,000</i>

King County seeks to secure land along the planned Emerald Necklace route, a multijurisdictional effort to build a passive regional trail around the Sammamish Plateau. This year, the County would acquire a key missing parcel comprising 11.34 acres along the city’s northern boundary. Acquisition advances the vision for a circular greenway encompassing an urban center, that will enable a passive loop trail system and link upland forest, tributaries, and wetlands between Patterson Creek and Evans Crest Natural Area. This project will also secure a safe trail crossing over a county road for the Emerald Necklace route and protect important scenic resources at risk of development within the Mountains to Sound Greenway. The County is ready to acquire the eastern portion of the parcel in fee and is still considering the approach to conservation on the western portion of the parcel, where a mill is located. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award, which at the 25% match level also included additional Parks Levy to be spent on the western portion of the parcel.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$500,000 total, consisting of \$250,000 CFT annual dollars and \$250,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$940,000 total, consisting of \$660,000 CFT annual dollars and \$280,000 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Evans Creek Corridor Conservation	CFT (50% match)	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$0	\$0
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145721¹³ 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,620,000 total (\$50,000 annual, \$1,570,000 bond)</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$0</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,620,000</i>

King County builds on previous acquisitions in the Evans Creek watershed, seeking easements to protect habitat value. This year’s proposal focuses on a 15-acre segment of a forested parcel near the urban growth boundary with Redmond. A conservation easement here would preserve open space and provide pedestrian trail opportunities to connect with existing King County open space. Evans Creek is a Tier 2 subbasin for WRIA 8 Chinook salmon, providing critical habitat for rearing. Substantial parts of this watershed have been lost to residential development, so this project will help protect the creek’s salmon-rearing integrity and buffer the impacts of nearby development. Match funding comes from previously awarded Parks Levy funding and donated land value.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,080,000 total, consisting of \$1,080,000 CFT annual dollars and \$0 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,620,000 total, consisting of \$50,000 CFT annual dollars, \$1,570,000 CFT bond dollars, and \$0 PL dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Issaquah Creek Basin Conservation	CFT (50% match)	\$1,553,500	\$1,098,500 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,553,500	\$1,098,500
<i>New CFT annual project #1145722¹⁴ New PL project #1145911</i>	Total (50% match)	\$3,107,000	\$2,197,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,330,250 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$776,750</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$3,107,000</i>

This regionally significant project seeks to protect two high-quality habitat reaches of Issaquah Creek, one of the highest-priority streams for Chinook salmon recovery in WRIA 8. This proposal would acquire in fee and easement 58 acres across six parcels on Carey Creek and Middle Issaquah Creek. The current targets are the focus of a planned King County fish-passage project, and acquisitions that will expand habitat enhancement opportunities. Protection and

¹³ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2023 bond project #1141757, PL project #1143700.

¹⁴ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1047347, CFT 2020 bond project #1134923.

habitat restoration for this part of the Issaquah Creek basin is critical for providing shade and channel complexity, and enhancing connectivity between the floodplain, wetlands, and the creek. Issaquah Creek is on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of polluted water bodies and has a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water quality improvement project for fecal coliform. These properties may eventually be tied to future easements or ownership that will further protect the creeks and natural functions. They could be used for passive recreation such as walking, birdwatching, salmon viewing, and educational opportunities. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$2,197,000 total, consisting of \$1,098,500 CFT annual dollars and \$1,098,500 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,107,000 total, consisting of \$2,330,250 CFT annual dollars and \$776,750 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8/9 Soos Creek Park-Molasses and Lake Desire Natural Areas	CFT (50% match)	\$725,000	\$725,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$725,000	\$725,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145723 ¹⁵ Existing PL project #1136780</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,450,000	\$1,450,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,087,500 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$362,500</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,450,000</i>

This project seeks to expand the regionally significant Soos Creek Regional Park, Molasses Creek Natural Area, and Lake Desire Natural Area. This proposal would acquire in fee 23 acres comprising 17 parcels of scrub-shrub wetland system and regional trail adjacent to the park near the border with Renton. Conserving these properties will preserve a valuable riparian corridor, provide protection for migrating fish, and create opportunities for future trail connections in a rapidly growing area. The proposed acquisitions protect high-priority Lower Cedar River wetland complexes and enable multiple fish habitat projects including a culvert removal that will open Molasses Creek to migrating fish. Soos Creek is on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of polluted water bodies and has a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water quality improvement project under development for fecal coliform, aquatic habitat, dissolved oxygen, and temperature. Expanding protection and restoration can enhance ecological function and water quality in Soos Creek. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,450,000 total, consisting of \$725,000 CFT annual dollars and \$725,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match

¹⁵ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1133816, CFT 2021 bond project #1137238, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757.

level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,450,000 total, consisting of \$1,087,500 CFT annual dollars and \$362,500 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Spring and Peterson Lake Additions	CFT (50% match)	\$975,000	\$875,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$975,000	\$875,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145724 New PL project #1145913</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,950,000	\$1,750,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,462,500 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$487,500</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,950,000</i>

King County seeks to conserve land between Spring Lake and Peterson Lake Natural Area, to improve fish habitat and enable future passive trail connections. This proposal seeks to acquire 12 acres across seven parcels along the southeast and northern edges of Peterson Lake Natural Area. Acquisition will allow for faster removal and restoration of a private road, including removal of a culvert on a fish-bearing stretch of Peterson Creek—one of the highest-quality salmon-bearing tributaries to the Cedar River. Acquisitions will advance a long-term goal of adding more continuity and low-impact trail opportunities between two currently disconnected natural areas. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,750,000 total, consisting of \$875,000 CFT annual dollars and \$875,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,950,000 total, consisting of \$1,462,500 CFT annual dollars and \$487,500 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Sugarloaf Mountain Forest Access	CFT (50% match)	\$840,000	\$840,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$840,000	\$840,000
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145725 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799 New PL project #1145915</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,680,000	\$1,680,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,260,000 total (\$20,000 annual, \$1,240,000 bond)</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$420,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,680,000</i>

King County seeks to restore forest habitat and increase public access to Sugarloaf Mountain Forest. This year’s proposal is to acquire in fee 15 acres across two parcels on the park’s northern edge. Acquisition will secure full access rights on the road leading into the site. This action will facilitate forest stewardship by the County, helping to restore the forest and increase biodiversity. Acquisition would provide accessible open space and scenic views in an area that

lacks formal hiking destinations and advance a potential future regional trail connection between Landsburg and Kanaskat. Protecting Sugarloaf Mountain also preserves a notable visual feature on the landscape and will provide the public with dramatic views of Mount Rainier. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,680,000 total, consisting of \$840,000 CFT annual dollars and \$840,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,680,000 total, consisting of \$20,000 CFT annual dollars, \$1,240,000 CFT bond dollars, and \$420,000 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 Auburn Narrows Natural Area	CFT (50% match)	\$132,075	\$132,075 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$132,075	\$132,075
<i>New CFT annual project #1145726 New PL project #1145917</i>	Total (50% match)	\$264,150	\$264,150
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$198,113 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$66,038</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$264,150</i>

King County seeks to expand its ownership at Auburn Narrows Natural Area, filling gaps in public land ownership adjacent to the Urban Growth Boundary and City of Auburn. The proposal is to acquire three parcels comprising 33 acres from one owner. Acquisition will preserve forested slopes above the Green River at a location important for spawning and rearing habitat for Chinook and steelhead. The parcels build on Washington State Parks, Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Green River College ownership, offering trail connections to existing Green River College trails and neighboring communities. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$264,150 total, consisting of \$132,075 CFT annual dollars and \$132,075 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$264,150 total, consisting of \$198,113 CFT annual dollars and \$66,038 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 Bingaman Pond Expansion	CFT (50% match)	\$495,175	\$495,175 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$495,175	\$495,175
<i>New CFT annual project #1145727 New PL project #1145919</i>	Total (50% match)	\$990,350	\$990,350
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$742,763 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$247,588</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$990,350</i>

This project proposes to expand the 17-acre Bingaman Pond Natural Area, located in the East Federal Way urban unincorporated area. The project would acquire up to six parcels representing

six acres on the eastern side of the existing natural area. Acquisition would expand protection of the Class 1 wetland and former cranberry bog, preserving additional forest, wetlands, and lakefront along the Bingaman Creek corridor (a tributary to Mullen Slough and an important salmon-bearing stream). These parcels offer opportunity to expand access on the eastern side of the pond, with connections to the neighboring Thomas Jefferson High School to the south. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$990,350 total, consisting of \$495,175 CFT annual dollars and \$495,175 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$990,350 total, consisting of \$742,763 CFT annual dollars and \$247,588 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 Black Diamond Open Space	CFT (50% match)	\$1,112,500	\$367,500 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,112,500	\$367,500
<i>New CFT annual project #1145728¹⁶ Existing PL project #1132224</i>	Total (50% match)	\$2,225,000	\$735,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,668,750 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$556,250</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$2,225,000</i>

This regionally significant, multiyear project expands public ownership at Black Diamond Open Space, on the north side of Black Diamond. The current proposal focuses on 196 acres across nine parcels. The request includes a final phase of fundraising to protect seven parcels comprising 71 acres on the western edge of the open space that straddle the Urban Growth Boundary, preserving mature forests, preventing development along the urban edge, and allowing new trail connections within the open space and on urban land toward Lake Sawyer. The request also includes two parcels comprising 125 acres on the east side of Black Diamond-Ravensdale Road SE, including portions of the Lake Sonia drainage and bog, and upland forest, located adjacent to Ravensdale Ridge forests that are preserved by forest protection easements. Black Diamond Open Space is very popular with mountain bikers across the region, and these acquisitions add additional recreational opportunity for bikers and hikers along with their conservation benefits. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$735,000 total, consisting of \$367,500 CFT annual dollars and \$367,500 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,225,000 total, consisting of \$1,668,750 CFT annual dollars and \$556,250 of PL.

¹⁶ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1122962, CFT 2020 bond project #1134923, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013, CFT 2023 bond project 1141757.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 Green River-Newaukum Creek	CFT (50% match)	\$2,690,000	\$1,450,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,790,000	\$550,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145729 ¹⁷ Existing PL project #1136778</i>	Total (50% match)	\$4,480,000	\$2,000,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$4,035,000 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$895,000</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$4,930,000</i>

King County seeks to continue decades of conservation work in this regionally significant project preserving the Middle Green River and Newaukum Creek. This year, the project proposes to acquire up to 13 parcels comprising 68 acres across the project area. The Middle Green River and Newaukum Creek provide high-quality salmonid spawning and rearing habitat, though the Green River and Newaukum Creek are on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of polluted water bodies and have a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water quality improvement project for dissolved oxygen and temperature, and a project for bacteria under development. The acquisitions will allow preservation and restoration of forests, stream corridors, and wetlands important for fish and wildlife habitat across the upper and lower Newaukum Creek basin. Acquisitions on the Middle Green River can support increased shade to help regulate water temperatures. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award, as well as a grant request to the King County Parks Levy Open Space River Corridors program.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$2,000,000 total, consisting of \$1,450,000 CFT annual dollars and \$550,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$4,930,000 total, consisting of \$4,035,000 CFT annual dollars and \$895,000 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 Green River Gorge-Fish Lake	CFT (50% match)	\$1,525,000	\$500,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,525,000	\$500,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145730 ¹⁸ Existing PL project #1141652</i>	Total (50% match)	\$3,050,000	\$1,000,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,287,500 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$762,500</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$3,050,000</i>

King County continues ongoing efforts to preserve a large, regionally significant open space corridor along the Green River. This project proposes to acquire nine parcels comprising 71 acres along the shoreline of Fish Lake, including lakefront and upland forest. Fish Lake has a

¹⁷ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project 1126743, CFT 2022 bond project #1139023, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757, PL project #1127075.

¹⁸ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2020 bond project #1134923, CFT 2021 bond project #1137238, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757.

Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife lake access point on the south side, and is primarily undeveloped. This project works to preserve forested habitat, protect an important source of cool water to the Green River, and expand public ownership in these areas connected to the Green River Gorge. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,000,000 total, consisting of \$500,000 CFT annual dollars and \$500,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,050,000 total, consisting of \$2,287,500 CFT annual dollars and \$762,500 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 Kanaskat Natural Area	CFT (50% match)	\$850,000	\$850,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$850,000	\$850,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145731 New PL project #1145921</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
		<i>CFT (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,275,000 annual</i>
		<i>PL (25% match)</i>	<i>\$425,000</i>
		<i>Total (25% match)</i>	<i>\$1,700,000</i>

This proposal seeks to build on decades of conservation work at Kanaskat Natural Area by purchasing the final inholding parcel. Acquisition of this 3.5-acre parcel would allow for removal of the final home and increased opportunities for public use. The site could be restored with mature forest and improved habitat along Fire Creek and the Green River. The broader natural area would benefit from removal of the half-mile-long gravel access road. This reach of the Green River is one of the most important spawning reaches in the Green River watershed for Chinook and steelhead. The 200-acre Kanaskat Natural Area is adjacent to tens of thousands of acres of protected forest in the Cascade Foothills. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award; the applicant additionally requested King County Parks Levy Open Space River Corridors funding.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,700,000 total, consisting of \$850,000 CFT annual dollars and \$850,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,700,000 total, consisting of \$1,275,000 CFT annual dollars and \$425,000 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – WRIA 9 North Highline Urban Greenspace - Seola Pond	CFT (50% match)	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000 annual
<i>New CFT annual project #1145732</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000
	Match Waiver Determination?		Yes

King County proposes to protect open space at the western edge of White Center/North Highline along the boundary with Seattle. This project would acquire 5.4 acres from a local church,

including grassy fields and mature trees. The local community already uses the site by permission of the church, but acquisition ensures permanent preservation of the community open space. There has been strong community involvement to help restore Seola Pond on the King County Stormwater Services parcel to the south. The acquisition represents a large-scale acquisition in the urban area, near to schools and surrounded by residents. Site design will be informed by community discussions.

The County requests a match waiver. The property meets all three criteria for a match waiver based on being in the lowest third of census tracts for income, the highest third of ZIP codes for hospitalization rates, and more than 0.25 miles from a publicly accessible park in the urban area. The area has many demographic and socioeconomic factors representative of a historically underserved community such as a high poverty rate, low life expectancies, and high percentages of limited English speakers. The applicant has provided support letters from Southwest Youth and Family Services, the North Highline Unincorporated Area Council, and a letter signed by 80 community members.

The committee determines that this project merits a match waiver based on the socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of the community, and its important purpose to preserve an informally used open space that is already valued by the community and prevents future risk of loss.

Under both the standard 50% match and 25% reduced match levels, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,800,000 CFT annual dollars.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – Vashon Frog Holler Forest Additions	CFT (50% match)	\$1,770,000	\$885,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,770,000	\$885,000
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145734 ¹⁹ 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799 Existing PL project #1139166</i>	Total (50% match)	\$3,540,000	\$1,770,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,655,000 total (\$88,500 annual, \$2,566,500 bond)</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$885,000</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$3,540,000</i>

King County continues expansion of the 110-acre Frog Holler Forest on the southwestern part of Vashon Island. This year’s proposal targets 88 acres comprising five parcels, held under one family ownership. The County has worked with the landowner for years to try to protect one of the largest undeveloped tracts of forest on Vashon-Maury Island. The parcels contain seeps and streams that are tributaries to Bates Creek, which flows into Puget Sound, and include a small stretch of shoreline. The site offers opportunity for extensive trails and would nearly double the

¹⁹ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2021 bond project #1137238, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013.

size of Frog Holler Forest, which was created just a few years ago and is a very popular site on the island. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,770,000 total, consisting of \$885,000 CFT annual dollars and \$885,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,540,000 total, consisting of \$88,500 CFT annual dollars, \$2,566,500 CFT bond dollars, and \$885,000 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – Vashon Maury Island Additions	CFT (50% match)	\$1,225,000	\$484,632 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,225,000	\$484,632
<i>New CFT annual project #1145735 Existing PL project #1143708</i>	Total (50% match)	\$2,450,000	\$969,264
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,837,500 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$612,500</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,450,000</i>

King County proposes to expand and connect open space sites on Maury Island under this proposal. Acquisitions target up to eight parcels comprising more than 70 acres across Manzanita Natural Area and Dockton Forest. At Manzanita, purchase of nearly 70 acres would build on recent acquisitions of shoreline and upland forest, preserving mature forested slopes and additional shoreline parcels that may offer backcountry trail opportunity. At Dockton, an easement would secure a trail easement to connect Dockton Forest with Maury Island Marine Park, allowing connection between miles of trails to the east and west of the property. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$969,264 total, consisting of \$484,632 CFT annual dollars and \$484,632 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,450,000 total, consisting of \$1,837,500 CFT annual dollars and \$612,500 of PL.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – Vashon Vashon Green Burial	CFT (50% match)	\$670,000	\$0
	PL (50% match)	\$670,000	\$0
<i>N/A</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,340,000	\$0
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$0</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$0</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$0</i>

King County is working with Vashon Cemetery District to preserve a natural/green burial site that would double as open space. The focus of this proposal is to acquire a conservation easement on two forested parcels totaling 26.6 acres that would remove development rights and preserve the site as open space. This award would not directly fund a cemetery or green burial

site; rather, it would fund an easement that preserves open space values on the parcel. The fee title would be owned by the cemetery district, which would operate it for green burial and passive open space purposes. Cemetery grounds would be kept as natural habitat, and the site plan could include benches and paths connecting to adjacent open space.

The committee does not recommend funding for this project at this time. Generally, the committee supports the concept of a standard conservation easement to preserve forest and provide trails adjacent to Island Center Forest. However, the committee is seeking clarity about the proposed use of the underlying fee for green burials. The committee would like to hear more about the mechanics of the proposed green burial practices for the site, along with potential impacts on forest health, and gain an understanding of community perspective. Before funding a project related to burial or cemetery ownership (whether associated with an easement or a fee purchase), more consideration is needed.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – Vashon Vashon Creeks and Estuaries	CFT (50% match)	\$1,111,000	\$625,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$1,111,000	\$625,000
<i>New CFT annual project #1145737²⁰ Existing PL project #1136784</i>	Total (50% match)	\$2,222,000	\$1,250,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$1,666,500 annual</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$555,500</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,222,000</i>

King County continues to preserve key stream corridors on Vashon Island, from upland headwaters through the estuaries at Puget Sound, in this regionally significant project. The focus of the current proposal is to preserve 40 acres across eight parcels spanning four creek systems: Christensen, Tahlequah, Shinglemill, and Judd. Almost all will be conservation easements that will protect some of the last remaining old growth on the island, protect a cross-island wildlife corridor, and advance efforts to restore the Tahlequah Creek estuary, where a fish barrier removal would open nearly 5,000 feet of stream to coho and chum salmon and sea-run cutthroat trout. Most of the acquisitions are implemented in partnership with the Vashon-Maury Island Land Trust. Match funding comes from the recommended Parks Levy award.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends partial funding of \$1,250,000 total, consisting of \$625,000 CFT annual dollars and \$625,000 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,222,000 total, consisting of \$1,666,500 CFT annual dollars and \$555,500 of PL.

²⁰ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1136847, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – Farmland Protecting Farmland: Enumclaw/Green River Farms	CFT (50% match)	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$0	\$0
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #1145738 ²¹ 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799</i>	Total (50% match)	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$3,750,000 total (\$500,000 annual, \$3,250,000 bond)</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$0</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$3,750,000</i>

The goal of this regionally significant project is to preserve prime agricultural lands within the Enumclaw Plateau and Green River Agricultural Production Districts (APDs). This year’s proposal is to acquire conservation easements to permanently protect nine farms totaling 209 acres in the Enumclaw Plateau and Upper and Lower Green River APD. The continued loss of farms reduces the availability of valuable agricultural soils and the economic basis for agricultural production. This regionally significant project helps King County to both protect viable farmland and support the broader agricultural economy by removing the development rights and leaving farmland permanently protected and potentially more affordable to farmers. Additionally, protecting these lands from development mitigates flooding in the Green River system. Many of these farms support the local dairy industry through hay production, livestock grazing, or other dairy infrastructure. CFT funding will be matched by Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Bank funding, using revenues generated by sale of TDRs to developers in downtown Seattle.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,500,000 total, consisting of \$2,500,000 CFT annual dollars and \$0 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$3,750,000 total, consisting of \$500,000 CFT annual dollars, \$3,250,000 CFT bond dollars, and \$0 of PL.

²¹ The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT 2020 bond project #1134923 and CFT 2021 bond project #1137238.

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funding Requested</i>	<i>Funding Recommended</i>
King County – Farmland Protecting Farmland: Snoqualmie APD and Vicinity Farms	CFT (50% match)	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000 annual
	PL (50% match)	\$0	\$0
<i>50% match list: New CFT annual project #11457309 ²² 25% match list: CFT 2024 bond project #1143799</i>	Total (50% match)	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
	<i>CFT (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,250,000 total (\$500,000 annual, \$1,750,000 bond)</i>
	<i>PL (25% match)</i>		<i>\$0</i>
	<i>Total (25% match)</i>		<i>\$2,250,000</i>

The goal of this regionally significant project is to preserve prime agricultural lands in the Snoqualmie Valley important to the farming economy, with multiyear targets identified within the Snoqualmie Agricultural Production District (APD) and in nearby rural and unincorporated urban areas. This year’s proposal is to acquire conservation easements to permanently protect six farms totaling 226 acres in the Snoqualmie Valley APD and surrounding area. As with the prior proposal, the continued loss of farms reduces the availability of valuable agricultural soils and the economic basis for agricultural production. This regionally significant project helps King County to both protect viable farmland and support the broader agricultural economy by removing the development rights and leaving farmland permanently protected and potentially more affordable to farmers. Many of these farms grow food crops, hay, or support livestock. Farmlands in the rural area may be more vulnerable to conversion to other land uses than farms protected with agricultural zoning in the APDs. CFT funding will be matched by TDR Bank funding, using revenues generated by sale of TDRs to developers in downtown Seattle.

At the standard 50% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$1,500,000 total, consisting of \$1,500,000 CFT annual dollars and \$0 PL dollars. At the reduced 25% match level, the committee recommends full funding of \$2,250,000 total, consisting of \$500,000 CFT annual dollars, \$1,750,000 CFT bond dollars, and \$0 of PL.

SCOPE ADJUSTMENT ONLY

<i>Applicant – Location Project Name</i>
King County – WRIA 8 Sweeney Pond
<i>CFT annual project #1143697, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013, PL project #1139163</i>

King County’s project seeks to preserve open space consisting of forests, meadows, and wetlands located north of Maple Valley near Shadow Lake. During project review, the committee approved a scope addition adding parcel 1820069001 to the scope of the project.

²² The scope of this new award is linked to the scopes of other recent awards to this project, including: CFT annual project #1133819, CFT 2020 bond project #1134923, CFT 2021 bond project #1137238, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013.

<i>Applicant – Location</i>
<i>Project Name</i>
King County – Vashon
Vashon Marine Shoreline
<i>CFT annual project #1132093, CFT 2023 bond project #1141757, CFT 2022 bond project #1139013, PL project #1136783, PL project #1127078</i>

King County’s multiyear project preserves key reaches of marine shoreline on Vashon-Maury Island, preserving regionally important shorelines, feeder bluffs, and enabling restoration of habitat processes for the health of salmonids and marine and terrestrial wildlife. During project review, the committee approved a scope addition for parcels 1269200440, 1269200460, 0522039066, and 0522039167; and a scope clarification to prioritize parcels 0422039001, 0522039170, and 0422039015.

APPENDICES

Table 1: Summary of 2024 CFT & PL Funding Recommendations – Status Quo 50% Match Level

This table presents the recommendations for funding at the status quo 50% match level.

<i>Projects Located In Cities</i>			CONSERVATION FUTURES: 50% match level		PARKS LEVY: 50% match level		TOTALS: 50% match level		Acres in Scope*	Council District
Agency/ Location	Project Name	Match Waiver Recom- mended	CFT Requested	CFT Recom- mended	PL Requested	PL Recom- mended	Total Requested	Total Recom- mended		
Bellevue	Cougar Mountain Connections	-	\$6,165,000	\$6,165,000	\$0	\$0	\$6,165,000	\$6,165,000	18	9
Bellevue	Newport Hills Woodlawn Park Addition	-	\$529,000	\$529,000	\$0	\$0	\$529,000	\$529,000	16	9
Covington	Camp McCullough	-	\$215,000	\$215,000	\$0	\$0	\$215,000	\$215,000	30	9
Covington	Jenkins Creek Open Space	-	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	1.2	9
Duvall	Big Rock Park Expansion	-	\$936,389	\$936,389	\$0	\$0	\$936,389	\$936,389	14	3
Kenmore	Muck Creek Restoration	-	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$0	\$0	\$340,000	\$340,000	1.3	1
Kenmore	Tributary 0056 Property Acquisition	-	\$24,500	\$24,500	\$0	\$0	\$24,500	\$24,500	0.3	1
Normandy Park	Hall Property Acquisition on Miller Creek	-	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	0.8	5
Pacific	Tacoma Boulevard Wetlands Park	Yes	\$234,200	\$234,200	\$0	\$0	\$234,200	\$234,200	3.0	7
Sammamish	Landa Property	-	\$532,700	\$532,700	\$0	\$0	\$532,700	\$532,700	1.7	3
Seattle (Parks)	Hitt's Hill Park Addition	-	\$1,015,000	\$1,015,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,015,000	\$1,015,000	1.5	2
Seattle (Parks)	Rainier Beach Residential Urban Village Park	Yes	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	0.3	2
Seattle (SPU)	Thornton Confluence Natural Area Expansion	-	\$1,170,475	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,170,475	\$500,000	0.5	1
Shoreline	Twin Ponds	-	\$857,000	\$857,000	\$0	\$0	\$857,000	\$857,000	0.3	1
Shoreline	West Echo Lake	Yes	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000	0.3	1
Tukwila	Nelsen Side Channel Acquisition	No	\$200,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$100,000	1.5	5
16 PROJECTS	Subtotal - Projects in Cities		\$14,719,264	\$13,948,789	\$0	\$0	\$14,719,264	\$13,948,789	90.7	

<i>Projects Located in Unincorporated King County</i>			CONSERVATION FUTURES: 50% match level		PARKS LEVY: 50% match level		TOTALS: 50% match level			
Agency/ Location	Project Name	Match Waiver Recommended	CFT Requested	CFT Recommended	PL Requested	PL Recommended	Total Requested	Total Recommended	Acres in Scope*	Council District
Seattle (SPU)	Helen Sherry Property Acquisition	-	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	20	9
SHADOW (nonprofit)	Shadow Lake Nature Preserve	-	\$142,500	\$142,500	\$0	\$0	\$142,500	\$142,500	2	9
Tacoma Water	Upper Green River Property Acquisition	-	\$977,840	\$977,840	\$0	\$0	\$977,840	\$977,840	621	9
Viva Farms (nonprofit)	Land to Grow, Beginning and Historically Underserved Farmer Agricultural Park	Yes	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	100	N/A
Wakulima USA (nonprofit)	Wakulima Farm	Yes	\$1,560,000	\$1,560,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,560,000	\$1,560,000	5	N/A
Washington Farmland Trust-PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust (nonprofit)	Inaugural Farmland for the PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust	Yes	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	60	N/A
KC-WRIA 7	Boxley Creek Natural Area Additions	-	\$4,500,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,100,000	\$600,000	\$7,600,000	\$2,600,000	344	3
KC-WRIA 7	Griffin Creek Natural Area	-	\$160,500	\$160,500	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$420,500	\$420,500	1	3
KC-WRIA 7	Mitchell Hill Forest Additions	-	\$625,000	\$325,000	\$625,000	\$325,000	\$1,250,000	\$650,000	14	3
KC-WRIA 7	Raging River Natural Area	-	\$1,500,000	\$50,000	\$1,500,000	\$50,000	\$3,000,000	\$100,000	20	3
KC-WRIA 7	Snoqualmie at Fall City	-	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	130	3
KC-WRIA 7	Tokul Creek Forest Additions	-	\$1,157,000	\$789,250	\$578,500	\$210,750	\$1,735,500	\$1,000,000	34	3
KC-WRIA 7	Union Hill Forest	-	\$3,000,000	\$2,250,000	\$3,000,000	\$2,250,000	\$6,000,000	\$4,500,000	130	3
KC-WRIA 7	Upper Snoqualmie-South Fork Skykomish Opportunity Projects	-	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	N/A	3
KC-WRIA 8	Bear Creek Basin Protection	-	\$1,850,000	\$912,700	\$1,850,000	\$912,700	\$3,700,000	\$1,825,400	95	3
KC-WRIA 8	Cedar River Basin Conservation	-	\$2,122,500	\$1,225,000	\$2,037,500	\$1,090,000	\$4,160,000	\$2,315,000	235	9
KC-WRIA 8	Cougar Mountain Additions	-	\$2,572,500	\$770,000	\$2,572,500	\$530,000	\$5,145,000	\$1,300,000	66	9
KC-WRIA 8	East Fork Issaquah Creek Restoration	-	\$1,145,000	\$800,000	\$1,145,000	\$800,000	\$2,290,000	\$1,600,000	15	3
KC-WRIA 8/7	Emerald Necklace	-	\$440,000	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$940,000	\$500,000	11	3
KC-WRIA 8	Evans Creek Corridor Conservation	-	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000	15	3

Agency/ Location	Project Name	Match Waiver Recom- mended	CFT Requested	CFT Recom- mended	PL Requested	PL Recom- mended	Total Requested	Total Recom- mended	Acres in Scope*	Council District
KC-WRIA 8	Issaquah Creek Basin Conservation	-	\$1,553,500	\$1,098,500	\$1,553,500	\$1,098,500	\$3,107,000	\$2,197,000	58	9
KC-WRIA 8/9	Soos Creek Park-Molasses and Lake Desire Natural Areas	-	\$725,000	\$725,000	\$725,000	\$725,000	\$1,450,000	\$1,450,000	23	9
KC-WRIA 8	Spring and Peterson Lake Additions	-	\$975,000	\$875,000	\$975,000	\$875,000	\$1,950,000	\$1,750,000	12	9
KC-WRIA 8	Sugarloaf Mountain Forest Access	-	\$840,000	\$840,000	\$840,000	\$840,000	\$1,680,000	\$1,680,000	15	9
KC-WRIA 9	Auburn Narrows Natural Area	-	\$132,075	\$132,075	\$132,075	\$132,075	\$264,150	\$264,150	33	9
KC-WRIA 9	Bingaman Pond Expansion	-	\$495,175	\$495,175	\$495,175	\$495,175	\$990,350	\$990,350	6	7
KC-WRIA 9	Black Diamond Open Space	-	\$1,112,500	\$367,500	\$1,112,500	\$367,500	\$2,225,000	\$735,000	196	9
KC-WRIA 9	Green River-Newaukum Creek	-	\$2,690,000	\$1,450,000	\$1,790,000	\$550,000	\$4,480,000	\$2,000,000	68	9
KC-WRIA 9	Green River Gorge-Fish Lake	-	\$1,525,000	\$500,000	\$1,525,000	\$500,000	\$3,050,000	\$1,000,000	71	9
KC-WRIA 9	Kanaskat Natural Area	-	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	4	9
KC-WRIA 9	North Highline Urban Greenspace - Seola Pond	Yes	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	5	8
KC-Vashon	Frog Holler Forest Additions	-	\$1,770,000	\$885,000	\$1,770,000	\$885,000	\$3,540,000	\$1,770,000	88	8
KC-Vashon	Maury Island Additions	-	\$1,225,000	\$484,632	\$1,225,000	\$484,632	\$2,450,000	\$969,264	70	8
KC-Vashon	Vashon Green Burial	-	\$670,000	\$0	\$670,000	\$0	\$1,340,000	\$0	27	8
KC-Vashon	Vashon Creeks and Estuaries	-	\$1,111,000	\$625,000	\$1,111,000	\$625,000	\$2,222,000	\$1,250,000	40	8
KC-Farmland	Protecting Farmland: Enumclaw/Green River Farms	-	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	297	5 and 9
KC-Farmland	Protecting Farmland: Snoqualmie APD and Vicinity Farms	-	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	180	3
37 PROJECTS	Subtotal - Projects in Unincorporated King County		\$53,427,090	\$37,540,672	\$31,962,750	\$15,726,332	\$85,389,840	\$53,267,004	3,110	
53 Projects Total	TOTALS - ALL PROJECTS		\$68,146,354	\$51,489,461	\$31,962,750	\$15,726,332	\$100,109,104	\$67,215,793	3,201	

* "Acres in Scope": Acres listed above are the total acres eligible for acquisition within the project scope. Partial funding awards typically result in fewer acres acquired than listed above. At the status quo 50% funding level, the committee estimates about 2,300 acres may be conserved. Please see the committee's report for project-specific discussions and details.

Table 2: Summary of 2024 CFT & PL Funding Recommendations – Reduced 25% Match Level

This table presents the recommendations for funding at the reduced 25% match level. Original requests were adjusted administratively so that CFT represented 75% and cash match represented 25% of the project funding needed; projects using land match leveraged CFT proportionate to the 75%-25% match ratio.

<i>Projects Located In Cities</i>			CONSERVATION FUTURES: 25% match level				PARKS LEVY: 25% match level		TOTALS		Acres in Scope*	Council District
Agency/ Location	Project Name	Match Waiver Recommended	CFT Requested <i>(adjusted to 75% CFT-25% match)</i>	Total CFT Recommended	CFT Annual Recommended	CFT Bond Recommended	PL Requested <i>(adjusted to 75% CFT-25% match)</i>	PL Recommended	Total Requested	Total Recommended		
Bellevue	Cougar Mountain Connections	-	\$9,247,500	\$9,247,500	\$9,247,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,247,500	\$9,247,500	18	9
Bellevue	Newport Hills Woodlawn Park Addition	-	\$793,500	\$793,500	\$0	\$793,500	\$0	\$0	\$793,500	\$793,500	16	9
Covington	Camp McCullough	-	\$645,000	\$645,000	\$645,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$645,000	\$645,000	30	9
Covington	Jenkins Creek Open Space	-	\$82,500	\$82,500	\$82,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$82,500	\$82,500	1.2	9
Duvall	Big Rock Park Expansion	-	\$1,403,850	\$1,403,850	\$1,403,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,403,850	\$1,403,850	14	3
Kenmore	Muck Creek Restoration	-	\$510,000	\$510,000	\$0	\$510,000	\$0	\$0	\$510,000	\$510,000	1.3	1
Kenmore	Tributary 0056 Property Acquisition	-	\$36,750	\$36,750	\$36,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,750	\$36,750	0.3	1
Normandy Park	Hall Property Acquisition on Miller Creek	-	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$600,000	\$600,000	0.8	5
Pacific	Tacoma Boulevard Wetlands Park	Yes	\$234,200	\$234,200	\$234,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$234,200	\$234,200	3.0	7
Sammamish	Landa Property	-	\$799,050	\$799,050	\$799,050	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$799,050	\$799,050	1.7	3
Seattle (Parks)	Hitt's Hill Park Addition	-	\$1,522,500	\$1,522,500	\$1,522,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,522,500	\$1,522,500	1.5	2
Seattle (Parks)	Rainier Beach Residential Urban Village Park	Yes	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	0.3	2
Seattle (SPU)	Thornton Confluence Natural Area Expansion	-	\$1,755,713	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,755,713	\$750,000	0.5	1
Shoreline	Twin Ponds	-	\$1,285,500	\$1,285,500	\$1,285,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,285,500	\$1,285,500	0.3	1
Shoreline	West Echo Lake	Yes	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000	0.3	1
Tukwila	Nelsen Side Channel Acquisition	No	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000	1.5	5
16 PROJECTS	Subtotal - Projects in Cities		\$21,111,063	\$20,105,350	\$18,801,850	\$1,303,500	\$0	\$0	\$21,111,063	\$20,105,350	90.7	

<i>Projects Located in Unincorporated King County</i>			CONSERVATION FUTURES: 25% match level				PARKS LEVY: 25% match level		TOTALS			
Agency/ Location	Project Name	Match Waiver Recom- mended	CFT Requested <i>(adjusted to 75% CFT-25% match)</i>	Total CFT Recom- mended	CFT Annual Recom- mended	CFT Bond Recom- mended	PL Requested <i>(adjusted to 75% CFT- 25% match)</i>	PL Recom- mended	Total Requested	Total Recom- mended	Acres in Scope*	Council District
Seattle (SPU)	Helen Sherry Property Acquisition	-	\$1,650,000	\$1,650,000	<i>\$1,650,000</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,650,000	\$1,650,000	20	9
SHADOW (nonprofit)	Shadow Lake Nature Preserve	-	\$255,000	\$255,000	<i>\$255,000</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$255,000	\$255,000	2	9
Tacoma Water	Upper Green River Property Acquisition	-	\$1,466,760	\$1,466,760	<i>\$1,466,760</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,466,760	\$1,466,760	621	9
Viva Farms (nonprofit)	Land to Grow, Beginning and Historically Underserved Farmer Agricultural Park	Yes	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	<i>\$3,000,000</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	100	N/A
Wakulima USA (nonprofit)	Wakulima Farm	Yes	\$1,560,000	\$1,560,000	<i>\$1,560,000</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,560,000	\$1,560,000	5	N/A
Washington Farmland Trust-PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust (nonprofit)	Inaugural Farmland for the PNW BIPOC Farmland Trust	Yes	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	<i>\$4,000,000</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	60	N/A
KC-WRIA 7	Boxley Creek Natural Area Additions	-	\$6,750,000	\$6,750,000	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$6,750,000</i>	\$1,550,000	\$1,550,000	\$8,300,000	\$8,300,000	344	3
KC-WRIA 7	Griffin Creek Natural Area	-	\$240,750	\$240,750	<i>\$240,750</i>	\$0	\$179,750	\$179,750	\$420,500	\$420,500	1	3
KC-WRIA 7	Mitchell Hill Forest Additions	-	\$937,500	\$937,500	<i>\$937,500</i>	\$0	\$312,500	\$312,500	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000	14	3
KC-WRIA 7	Raging River Natural Area	-	\$2,250,000	\$2,250,000	<i>\$2,250,000</i>	\$0	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	20	3
KC-WRIA 7	Snoqualmie at Fall City	-	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	<i>\$1,500,000</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	130	3
KC-WRIA 7	Tokul Creek Forest Additions	-	\$1,735,500	\$1,735,500	<i>\$1,735,500</i>	\$0	\$289,250	\$289,250	\$2,024,750	\$2,024,750	34	3
KC-WRIA 7	Union Hill Forest	-	\$4,500,000	\$4,500,000	<i>\$30,000</i>	<i>\$4,470,000</i>	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	130	3
KC-WRIA 7	Upper Snoqualmie-South Fork Skykomish Opportunity Projects	-	\$30,000	\$30,000	<i>\$30,000</i>	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	N/A	3

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KC-WRIA 8	Bear Creek Basin Protection	-	\$2,775,000	\$2,775,000	\$2,775,000	\$0	\$925,000	\$925,000	\$3,700,000	\$3,700,000	95	3
KC-WRIA 8	Cedar River Basin Conservation	-	\$3,183,750	\$2,714,052	\$2,714,052	\$0	\$1,018,750	\$1,258,957	\$4,202,500	\$3,973,009	235	9
KC-WRIA 8	Cougar Mountain Additions	-	\$3,858,750	\$3,858,750	\$1,758,750	\$2,100,000	\$1,046,250	\$1,046,250	\$4,905,000	\$4,905,000	66	9
KC-WRIA 8	East Fork Issaquah Creek Restoration	-	\$1,717,500	\$1,717,500	\$1,717,500	\$0	\$572,500	\$572,500	\$2,290,000	\$2,290,000	15	3
KC-WRIA 8/7	Emerald Necklace	-	\$660,000	\$660,000	\$660,000	\$0	\$280,000	\$280,000	\$940,000	\$940,000	11	3
KC-WRIA 8	Evans Creek Corridor Conservation	-	\$1,620,000	\$1,620,000	\$50,000	\$1,570,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,620,000	\$1,620,000	15	3
KC-WRIA 8	Issaquah Creek Basin Conservation	-	\$2,330,250	\$2,330,250	\$2,330,250	\$0	\$776,750	\$776,750	\$3,107,000	\$3,107,000	58	9
KC-WRIA 8/9	Soos Creek Park-Molasses and Lake Desire Natural Areas	-	\$1,087,500	\$1,087,500	\$1,087,500	\$0	\$362,500	\$362,500	\$1,450,000	\$1,450,000	23	9
KC-WRIA 8	Spring and Peterson Lake Additions	-	\$1,462,500	\$1,462,500	\$1,462,500	\$0	\$487,500	\$487,500	\$1,950,000	\$1,950,000	12	9
KC-WRIA 8	Sugarloaf Mountain Forest Access	-	\$1,260,000	\$1,260,000	\$20,000	\$1,240,000	\$420,000	\$420,000	\$1,680,000	\$1,680,000	15	9
KC-WRIA 9	Auburn Narrows Natural Area	-	\$198,113	\$198,113	\$198,113	\$0	\$66,038	\$66,038	\$264,150	\$264,150	33	9
KC-WRIA 9	Bingaman Pond Expansion	-	\$742,763	\$742,763	\$742,763	\$0	\$247,588	\$247,588	\$990,350	\$990,350	6	7
KC-WRIA 9	Black Diamond Open Space	-	\$1,668,750	\$1,668,750	\$1,668,750	\$0	\$556,250	\$556,250	\$2,225,000	\$2,225,000	196	9
KC-WRIA 9	Green River-Newaukum Creek	-	\$4,035,000	\$4,035,000	\$4,035,000	\$0	\$895,000	\$895,000	\$4,930,000	\$4,930,000	68	9
KC-WRIA 9	Green River Gorge-Fish Lake	-	\$2,287,500	\$2,287,500	\$2,287,500	\$0	\$762,500	\$762,500	\$3,050,000	\$3,050,000	71	9
KC-WRIA 9	Kanaskat Natural Area	-	\$1,275,000	\$1,275,000	\$1,275,000	\$0	\$425,000	\$425,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	4	9
KC-WRIA 9	North Highline Urban Greenspace - Seola Pond	Yes	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	5	8

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KC-Vashon	Frog Holler Forest Additions	-	\$2,655,000	\$2,655,000	\$88,500	\$2,566,500	\$885,000	\$885,000	\$3,540,000	\$3,540,000	88	8
KC-Vashon	Maury Island Additions	-	\$1,837,500	\$1,837,500	\$1,837,500	\$0	\$612,500	\$612,500	\$2,450,000	\$2,450,000	70	8
KC-Vashon	Vashon Green Burial	-	\$1,005,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$335,000	\$0	\$1,340,000	\$0	27	8
KC-Vashon	Vashon Creeks and Estuaries	-	\$1,666,500	\$1,666,500	\$1,666,500	\$0	\$555,500	\$555,500	\$2,222,000	\$2,222,000	40	8
KC-Farmland	Protecting Farmland: Enumclaw/Green River Farms	-	\$3,750,000	\$3,750,000	\$500,000	\$3,250,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,750,000	\$3,750,000	297	5 and 9
KC-Farmland	Protecting Farmland: Snoqualmie APD and Vicinity Farms	-	\$2,250,000	\$2,250,000	\$500,000	\$1,750,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,250,000	\$2,250,000	180	3
37 PROJECTS	Subtotal - Projects in Unincorporated King County		\$75,001,885	\$73,527,187	\$49,830,187	\$23,697,000	\$15,821,125	\$15,726,332	\$90,823,010	\$89,253,519	3110	
53 Projects Total	TOTALS - ALL PROJECTS		\$96,112,948	\$93,632,537	\$68,632,037	\$25,000,500	\$15,821,125	\$15,726,332	\$111,934,073	\$109,358,869	3201	

* "Acres in Scope": Acres listed above are the total acres eligible for acquisition within the project scope. Partial funding awards typically result in fewer acres acquired than listed above. At the reduced 25% match funding level, the committee estimates about that nearly all the targeted acres may be conserved. Please see the committee's report for project-specific discussions and details.

Table 3: Recommended 2024 CFT Bond Project List (Related to Table 2, Reduced 25% Match Level)

This table excerpts project information from Table 2, the list of projects recommended at the reduced 25% match level. These projects are recommended for funding in 2024 CFT Bond Project 1143799 if awards are adopted at the reduced 25% match level. All projects on Table 1, the status quo 50% match list, would be funded with annual funding and 2024 bond funding would not be used.

Agency/ Location	Project Name	Recommended for Bond Funding
Bellevue	Newport Hills Woodlawn Park Addition	\$793,500
Kenmore	Muck Creek Restoration	\$510,000
KC-WRIA 7	Boxley Creek Natural Area Additions	\$6,750,000
KC-WRIA 7	Union Hill Forest	\$4,470,000
KC-WRIA 8	Cougar Mountain Additions	\$2,100,000
KC-WRIA 8	Evans Creek Corridor Conservation	\$1,570,000
KC-WRIA 8	Sugarloaf Mountain Forest Access	\$1,240,000
KC-Vashon	Frog Holler Forest Additions	\$2,566,500
KC-Farmland	Protecting Farmland: Enumclaw/Green River Farms	\$3,250,000
KC-Farmland	Protecting Farmland: Snoqualmie APD and Vicinity Farms	\$1,750,000
	Total Bond Funding Recommended	\$25,000,000
	Project Count	10

Table 4: Match Waiver Project Recommendation Summary

This table summarizes information about match waiver projects included on Tables 1 and 2.

Match Waiver Recommendation Category	Count	CFT Requested	CFT Recommended to Projects Receiving a Match Waiver	Acres in Scope	CD
Yes	7	\$12,639,200	\$12,639,200	174	1, 2, 7, 8, TBD
No	1	\$200,000	\$0*	1.5	5
Total	8	\$12,839,200	\$12,639,200		

*The project that did not receive a match waiver was recommended for full funding as a project requiring match (\$100,000 CFT at the status quo 50% match level and \$150,000 at the reduced 25% match level; details provided in report for the Tukwila application).

Map: Requests for 2024 Conservation Futures & Parks Levy Funding

