



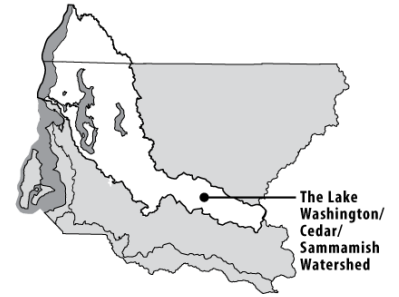
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May 29, 2020

Supervisor Dave Upthegrove, Chair  
King County Flood Control District  
516 3rd Avenue, Room 1200  
Seattle, WA 98104



RE: WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council Funding Recommendations for 2020 Cooperative Watershed Management Grants

Dear Chair Upthegrove:

On behalf of the Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish Watershed (WRIA 8) Salmon Recovery Council, thank you to the King County Flood Control District for supporting important salmon recovery work through the Cooperative Watershed Management (CWM) Grant Program. The WRIA 8 partnership is comprised of 28 local governments, businesses, community groups, concerned citizens, and state and federal agencies who have been working since 2000 to recover Chinook salmon and improve the health of our watershed.

Please find attached the WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council's approved funding recommendations for the 2020 CWM Grant Program. The 22 recommended projects and programs are consistent with CWM program rules and procedures, were evaluated and prioritized by the WRIA 8 Project Subcommittee, and were approved by the WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council on May 21.

We are tremendously thankful for the Flood Control District's decision to increase funding for the CWM program. The additional resources will result in a much-needed boost to our ability to implement high priority salmon recovery actions called for in the WRIA 8 Chinook Salmon Conservation Plan. We offer recommendations that obligate the entire balance available to us in 2020, which totals \$3,746,793. Several of our high priority salmon habitat projects also provide other benefits, including reduced flood risk and improved water quality.

All documents associated with the request for proposals, the proposal submittals, the review process, and the funding recommendations are available upon request. Please feel free to contact Jason Mulvihill-Kuntz, the WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Manager, at 206-477-4780 or [jason.mulvihill-kuntz@kingcounty.gov](mailto:jason.mulvihill-kuntz@kingcounty.gov) for further information.

Sincerely,

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Councilmember, City of Bellevue

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