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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
 Philip Morley, County Administrator

FROM: Neil Harrington, Water Quality Program Manager
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DATE: May 10, 2010

SUBJECT: Agenda Item – Nomination of Jill Silver to the
 North Pacific Coast Marine Resources Committee

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Water Quality Division staff recommend the BoCC appoint Jill Silver to fill one of three citizen seats for Jefferson County on the newly forming North Pacific Coast Marine Resources Committee (NPC MRC).

On September 8, 2009 the BoCC approved a joint resolution with Clallam County to establish the NPC MRC. The new committee will concern itself with Pacific coastal issues in connection with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's Coastal MRC Program (<http://wdfw.wa.gov/about/volunteer/mrc>) developed under Chapter 36.125 RCW.

According to the resolution (#50-09) members will serve staggered two-year terms.

ANALYSIS/STRATEGIC GOALS/PRO'S and CON'S:

Clallam County is the lead agency for the new MRC and distributed committee vacancy announcements for both counties to the *Peninsula Daily News*, *The Leader*, *Forks Forum* and the *Sequim Gazette* on January 15 with a closing date of the 29. The same was done on February 11 with a closing date of February 26. Water Quality also placed a paid ad in *The Leader* on March 24 with a closing date of April 2.

Three applications have been received so far to fill the three citizen vacancies for Jefferson County.

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Water Quality Division feels that Jill Silver is well qualified to serve on this committee. Ms. Silver spent much of her childhood exploring the West End with her parents. She has an undergraduate degree in Environmental Studies/Sciences from Evergreen State College and is currently serving on the board of the Olympic Coast Alliance.

Her work experience includes nine years as a habitat biologist for the Hoh Indian Tribe. Since 2003, Ms. Silver has been executive director of the non-profit 10,000 Years Institute. She leads the Hoh River Knotweed Control Project and volunteers with the Jefferson County Noxious Weed Board on other weed control efforts across the peninsula. She divides her time between Port Townsend and West End residences.

Water Quality Division has discussed the NPC MRC with Ms. Silver on the phone and in person and we are confident that she will make an exceptional contributor to the committee's efforts to benefit our coast resources and communities.

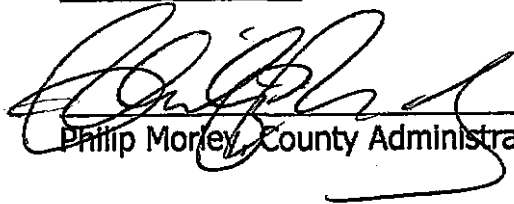
FISCAL IMPACT/COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS:

There is no fiscal impact to the county's General Fund for appointing Ms. Silver to serve on the CF Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

JCPH management recommends the BoCC appoint Jill Silver to fill one of three citizen seats for Jefferson County on the NPC MRC.

REVIEWED BY:


Philip Morley, County Administrator

5/6/10
Date