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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
 Philip Morley, County Administrator

FROM: Tami Pokorny, Environmental Health Specialist II

DATE:

SUBJECT: **Agenda Request:** Setting a Public Hearing Date and Publishing a Public Hearing Notice on the Conservation Futures Program Applications for 2012.

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Environmental Health is requesting BoCC approval of a Public Hearing Notice to take comments regarding the three Conservation Futures project applications submitted for consideration during the 2012 funding round. The notice is to be published on June 13, 2012 in the *Port Townsend & Jefferson County Leader*.

The Public Hearing is tentatively scheduled for June 25, 2012 at 10:15 a.m., immediately following a presentation by the Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee Chair, John Wood.

ANALYSIS/STRATEGIC GOALS:

Jefferson County Code (JCC) 3.08.030(4) requires a duly noticed public hearing prior to final action by the Board of County Commissioners on the annual allocation of conservation futures funds.

Public comment on the Boulton Farm, L. Brown Trust II, and Tarboo Forest Conservation projects will be accepted from the date of publication until the close of the Commissioner's hearing. After the public hearing, the BOCC may resolve to award funding to these projects.

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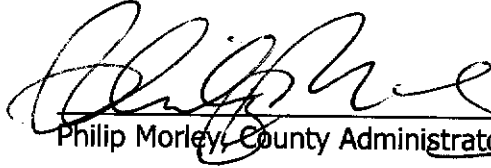
FISCAL IMPACT:

The public hearing notice will be charged by the inch by the *Port Townsend & Jefferson County Leader*. The Conservation Futures Fund will provide funding for publication.

RECOMMENDATION:

To facilitate a timely public process, JCPH management recommends the BOCC approve the hearing notice to hold a public hearing on June 25, 2012 at 10:15 a.m.

REVIEWED BY:


Philip Morley, County Administrator

5/30/12
Date

(Routed to all Public Health Managers)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Conservation Futures Program

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing is scheduled by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners for *MONDAY, June 25, 2011 at 10:15 a. m.* in the Commissioners' Chamber, County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

The public hearing is to take comments for (or against) the three projects submitted for consideration during the 2012 Conservation Futures funding cycle. The acquisition projects are summarized as follows:

1. Boulton Farm, \$69,000 towards the purchase of a conservation easement on eight parcels totaling 146 acres of agricultural land at Highway 101 and Boulton Road. The proposed match is a landowner donation of conservation easement value appraised at \$850,000. Jefferson Land Trust is the project sponsor. Project location: Sec. 14, T. 28N, R. 2W.
2. L. Brown Trust II, \$24,900 towards the fee simple acquisition of 15.5 acres spanning Snow Creek near the intersection of Highway 101 and W. Uncas Road and \$2,000 towards operation and maintenance costs. Proposed match would be \$126,100 grant from the Salmon Recovery Funding Board. Jefferson Land Trust is the project sponsor. Project location: NW¼ Sec. 36, T. 29N, R. 2W.
3. Tarboo Forest Conservation, \$260,000 towards the purchase of a conservation easement on four parcels totaling 236 acres of forest land between Center and Dabob roads. Proposed match would be \$494,035 in landowner donations of conservation easement value and acquisition related costs. Project location: Sec. 28, 29, and 31 T. 28N, R. 1W.

Copies of the project applications are available to view in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners at the Jefferson County Courthouse and online at <http://www.co.jefferson.wa.us>. Click on "Conservation Futures" under "Quick Links." For more information, contact Tami Pokorny at ph: (360) 379-4498 or tpokorny@co.jefferson.wa.us.

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John Austin, Chairman