2020 Jefferson County Conservation Futures Program
Property Acquisition and/or
Operations and Maintenance Project Application

Please complete the following application in its entirety. Be sure to answer “N/A” for questions that don’t apply to the project. Incomplete applications will not be accepted for consideration. Unless directed otherwise, use as much space as needed to answer each question. Contact program staff at 379-4498 or t pokorny@co.jefferson.wa.us with questions.

Background and Eligibility Information

1. Project Title: Carleson Chimaecum Creek O&M
2. Conservation Futures Acquisition Request: $0
   Conservation Futures O&M Request: $5,000
3. Total Conservation Futures Request: $5,000
4. Please indicate the type of interest contemplated in the acquisition process.
   ___ Warranty Deed  ___ Easement  X Other (Please describe below.)
   In whose name will the property title be held after acquisition?
This operations and maintenance-only application relates to the former Carleson property that was acquired by Jefferson Land Trust in 2012, partially funded by Jefferson County Conservation Futures. Jefferson Land Trust currently owns the property and will continue to do so. The property is now called the Illahee Preserve.

5. Applicant Information
   Name of Applicant or Organization: Jefferson Land Trust
   Contact: Carrie Clendaniel
   Title: Preserve Manager
   Address: 1033 Lawrence St, Port Townsend, WA 98368
   Phone: (360) 379-9501, ext. 109  _______ Fax: (____) _______, ext. ______
   Email: cclendaniel@saveland.org

6. Sponsor Information: (if different than applicant)
   Organization Name:
   Contact:
   Title:
   Address:
   Phone: (____) ______, ext. ______  Fax: (____) ______, ext. ______
   Email:
This application was approved by the sponsor’s legally responsible body (e.g., board, council, etc.) on March 17, 2020.

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7. Site Location
Street Address or Description of Location: End of Creekview Ln, off of Prospect Ave in Port Hadlock

Driving Directions from Port Townsend:
Take SR 19 south out of Port Townsend toward Chimacum. Turn left on Prospect Avenue, then right on to Creek View Lane. Continue to the end of the road.

Section: S34
Township: T30N
Range: R1W

Assessor’s Parcel Number(s): 001 343 042 both owned by Jefferson Land Trust and previously acquired with CF funds.

Please differentiate current and proposed ownership of each APN and indicate if the parcel is to be acquired with CF funds or used as match.

Please list the assessed values for each property or APN, as applicable: N/A

8. Existing Conditions
New Site: Yes No X Number of Parcels: 1
Addition to Existing Site: Yes No X Acres to Be Acquired: N/A

Total Project Acreage (if different): 5 acres Current Zoning: Rural residential 1:5

Existing Structures/Facilities: Parking area at end of Creekview Ln, covered picnic shelter, sanican, storage sheds (2), pedestrian trails (3)

Any current covenants, easements or restrictions on land use: Salmon Recovery Funding Board Deed of Rights restricts the property

Current Use: Vacant land, owned and managed by Jefferson Land Trust as a permanent Nature Preserve
Waterfront (name of body of water): Chimacum Creek
Shoreline (linear feet): Approximately 350 feet of Chimacum Creek

Owner Tidelands/Shorelands: N/A

9. Current Property Owner __ is __ is not a willing seller. N/A

Project Description

10. In 1,000 words or less, provide a summary description of the project, the match, overarching goal, and three top objectives. Include information about the physical characteristics of the site that is proposed for acquisition with Conservation Futures Program funds including: vegetation, topography, surrounding land use, and relationship to parks, trails, and open space. Describe the use planned for the site, any development plans after acquisition (including passive development), characteristics of the site which demonstrate that it is well-suited to the proposed use, and plans for any structures currently on the site. If applicable, describe how the site relates to
the larger project, and whether the project has a plan, schedule and funding dedicated to its completion. Please also list any important milestones for the project or critical dates, e.g. grant deadlines. List the dates and explain their importance. Please attach a spreadsheet of the budget.

This application is for operations and maintenance funding to support ongoing stewardship work on the Illahee Preserve, owned by Jefferson Land Trust, and acquired with Conservation Futures support in 2012. Illahee Preserve is an Ambassador Land for Jefferson Land Trust, meaning that it is one of our nature preserves that is open to the public for general use. Given its close proximity to both Port Townsend, Port Hadlock, and Irontale, the preserve gets a high amount of public use throughout the year. Illahee Preserve has become a well-loved and well-visited community asset. Every fall public school students and community members alike visit the Preserve to view the returning ESA-listed Hood Canal summer chum salmon. The rest of the year the Preserve also provides a venue for a quiet walk in a riparian forest, facilities for nature studies educational programming, and small gatherings. Frequent public use as described above results in the need for Land Trust staff time to maintain existing trails and open space, and to restore creek side habitat that can be negatively affected by frequent human use. Operations and maintenance needs include ongoing public access maintenance work such as maintaining trails and replacing signage, and improving creek habitat by exploring options for habitat improvements. We would like to consider the construction of a boardwalk to protect Creekside soils while maintaining important access opportunities.

From the 2011 Conservation Futures Acquisition Application:

The Chimacum Creek estuary, just north of Irontale and Port Hadlock, is one of the least impacted estuaries on the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Hood Canal. Nestled into a deep forested ravine, lower Chimacum Creek runs through the heart of the Port Hadlock’s pending urban growth area of Jefferson County. While platted in 2,500 square foot lots in the 1880’s, the existing forest corridor links together over a mile of core habitat area for Endangered Species Act listed summer chum, steelhead and other depressed salmon runs.

This project site is part of a much larger effort to protect the lower mainstem of Chimacum Creek and the Chimacum Creek estuary.

The original protection of Illahee Preserve in 2012 represents completion of the contiguous protection of Chimacum Creek from the mouth through the S curve section to Irontale Road culvert. Most of the properties located downstream and upstream of the project site are protected by WDFW, Jefferson County, and Jefferson Land Trust ownership and conservation easements.

Top objectives for this project are:

1) Maintain open space and trails for public access
2) Restore creek side frequently used by the public to balance critical habitat for the endangered Hood Canal summer chum and important public access and educational opportunities

Estimate costs below, including the estimated or appraised value of the propert(ies) or property right(s) to be acquired, even if Conservation Futures funds will only cover a portion of the total project cost. In the case of projects involving multiple acquisitions, please break out appraisals and estimated acquisition costs by parcel. Estimated or Appraised Value of Propert(ies) to be Acquired: N/A
Total Estimated Acquisition-related Cost (see Conservation Futures Manual for eligible costs): N/A

Total Operation and Maintenance Cost: $5,000

Total Project Cost: $10,000

Basis for Estimates (include information about how the property value(s) was determined, anticipated acquisition-related costs, general description of operation and maintenance work to be performed, task list with itemized budget, and anticipated schedule for completion of work):

Cost estimates are based upon anticipated expenses over the next 3-5 years. Jefferson Land Trust has been performed similar stewardship work in the past and has accurate estimates of materials, staff time costs, and contractor costs.

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**Scored Questions**

1 a. Sponsor or other organizations X will ___ will not contribute to acquisition of proposed site and/or operation and maintenance activities.

1 b. If applicable, please describe below how contributions from groups or agencies will reduce the need to use Conservation Futures program funds.

1 c. Matching Fund Estimate

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Matching Funds/Resources*

|                                       | $0          | $5,000     | 50% |

Total Project Acquisition Cost

|                                       | $0          | $10,000    | 100%|

* If a prior acquisition is being proposed as match, please describe and provide documentation of value, location, date of acquisition and other information that would directly link the match to the property being considered for acquisition.

1 d. Source of matching funds/resources

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NOTE: Matching funds are strongly recommended and a higher rating will be assigned to those projects that guarantee additional resources for acquisition. Donation of property or a property right will be considered as a matching resource. Donation of resources for on-going maintenance or stewardship ("in-kind" contributions) are not eligible as a match.

2 a. Sponsoring agency X is __________ not prepared to provide long-term stewardship (easement monitoring, maintenance, up-keep, etc.) for the proposed project site.

Jefferson Land Trust conducts stewardship, monitoring and maintenance of Illahee Preserve along with the other parcels in the Chimacum watershed that we own or are protected with conservation easements. Jefferson Land Trust’s stewardship program includes monitoring (at least annually) of protected properties and easements, upkeep and maintenance (trash removal, signage, invasive plant control, public access infrastructure addition and maintenance, and boundary marking) and restoration efforts (tree planting, forest health maintenance or improvement, etc.). Staff and trained community volunteers conduct the monitoring and maintenance efforts. When necessary, Jefferson Land Trust staff partners and contracts with trained professionals including habitat biologists, foresters, and others.

2 b. Describe any existing programs or future plans for stewardship of the property, including the nature and extent of the commitment of resources to carry out the stewardship plan.

Jefferson Land Trust has worked with community members and North Olympic Salmon Coalition to enhance and protect riparian habitat along Chimacum Creek for nearly three decades. These efforts include installing riparian native plantings, removing noxious weeds that threaten forest health, and providing public access to our communities for educational and recreational opportunities. We have worked to provide high-quality public access to Chimacum Creek by improving a pedestrian trail to Chimacum Creek, removing hazardous trees in public access areas, providing public education about salmon habitat, and by maintaining public access infrastructure such as a grassy gathering area, covered picnic shelter, and parking. These previous activities have helped direct access into designated areas, thereby protecting the ecological conservation values. CFF funds are required to continue that important habitat maintenance work.

Ongoing monitoring regularly assesses property condition and identifies progress towards long-term management goals, or identifies needs for adaptive management. Qualitative monitoring occurs at least annually, more in-depth forest health assessment occurs every 5-10 years, and the property management plan is updated every 5-10 years to reflect current conditions and to continue identifying actions need to move towards desired future conditions.

3 a. Describe the sponsoring agency’s previous or on-going stewardship experience.

Over the 30 years since it was formed, Jefferson Land Trust has managed many acquisition projects and has been responsible for conducting or coordinating restoration activities with several project partner organizations, including Jefferson County, North Olympic Salmon Coalition, Jefferson County Conservation District, Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group and others. We hold 62 conservation easements on 4,051 acres and have helped with the preservation and stewardship of another 12,302 acres in Jefferson County. The Land Trust also holds title to over 697 acres of preserves, including the 135-acre Bulis Forest Preserve, portions of the Quimper Wildlife Corridor, and salmon habitat on Chimacum, Salmon, Snow and Donovan Creeks, the Big Quilcene and Duckabush Rivers. Stewardship activities are carried out by professional staff with the assistance of volunteer Preserve Stewards. The Hoh River Trust and Washington State Parks contract with Jefferson Land Trust to monitor and steward...
nearly 7,400 acres of land under their control. In addition, Jefferson Land Trust stewards land owned by Jefferson County, the City of Port Townsend and the Department of Natural Resources. Jefferson Land Trust stewardship and monitoring protocols were developed with the guidance of the Land Trust Alliance and adherence to those protocols is one of the requirements for our national accreditation. Collaboration is at the heart of our approach to conservation. We engage with partners in the “Chumsortium” to bring back vibrant salmon runs on Hood Canal, and in the Jefferson LandWorks Collaborative to support big-picture thinking around the ongoing economic viability of local farms and working forests. We partner with regional government, local and national agencies, Tribes, peer organizations, and individual citizens to safeguard the places we love and that are crucial to the health of our community, now and into the future.

3 b. Has the sponsor and/or applicant of this project been involved in other projects previously approved for Conservation Futures funding?

___ No, neither the sponsor nor applicant has been involved in a project previously approved for Conservation Futures funds.

___ Yes, the sponsor and/or applicant for this project has been involved in a project previously approved for Conservation Futures funds. Please provide details:

As the only local land preservation organization, Jefferson Land Trust has sponsored many applications on behalf of private landowners interested in preserving their property through sale of a conservation easement, or as an applicant and sponsor for fee interest purchase of properties from willing sellers. These projects include:

Sunfield Farm, 2003; Quimper Wildlife Corridor, 2004; East Tarboo Creek Conservation Project, 2005; Tamanawas Rock Phase 1, 2006; the Winona Buffer Project, 2006; Glendale Farm, 2007; Finnriver Farm, 2008; Quimper Wildlife Corridor, 2009; Brown Dairy, 2009; Salmon Creek Ruck 2010; Quimper Wildlife Corridor 2010; Tamanawas Rock 2010; Chimacum Creek Carleson 2011; Winona Basin - Bloedel 2011; L. Brown 2012; Boulton Farm 2012; Quimper Wildlife Corridor and Short Family Farm 2013; Quimper Wildlife Corridor and Snow Creek Irvin and Jenks, 2014; Midori Farm, 2015; QWC 2016 Addition, Tarboo Creek, Farm and Forest 2016; Serendipity Farm, Snow Creek Taylor and Tarboo Iglitzin 2017; Chimacum Forest, Marrowstone Mize, Ruby Ranch and Snow Creek Mid-Reach Forest 2018, and Quilcene Headwaters to Bay 2019.

4 a. Property ___ can ___ cannot feasibly be acquired in a timely fashion with available resources. N/A

4 b. Necessary commitments and agreements ___ are ___ are not in place.

4 c. All parties ___ are ___ are not in agreement on the cost of acquisition. N/A

If “not” to any of the above, please explain below.

5. The proposed acquisition ___ is specifically identified in an adopted open space, conservation, or resource preservation program or plan, or community conservation effort. Please describe below, including the site’s importance to the plan. Please reference the website of the plan if available or include the plan with this application.

___ complements an adopted open space or conservation plan, but is not specifically identified. Please describe below, and describe how the proposed acquisition is consistent with the plan.

___ is a stand-alone project.

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From the 2011 Conservation Futures Acquisition Application:
*Chimacum Creek is identified in the Summer Chum Recovery Plan as an important area of protection and restoration efforts. This plan is available at the following website:*

*The Carleson property is located in the Chimacum Creek project areas that has been the focus of protection and restoration efforts on the part of Chumsortium partners since 2000 and is identified in the 2008 Lower Chimacum Creek Fish and Wildlife Management Plan, prepared by Chumsortium partners.*

*In addition, the Chimacum Creek corridor is identified on the Jefferson County's Comprehensive Plan map as Parks, Recreation Areas, Conservation Easements and Areas for Future Cooperative Preservation Efforts. [http://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/idms/pdfs/parks99.pdf](http://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/idms/pdfs/parks99.pdf)*

Jefferson Land Trust’s newly adopted Conservation Plan for Jefferson County, prepared with the input of many community members, also specifically identifies the Chimacum Creek corridor and the final plan is located on the JLT website at [www.saveland.org](http://www.saveland.org).

6. Conservation Opportunity or Threat:

Jefferson Land Trust and Jefferson County Conservation Futures program worked together in 2011 to permanently protect the then-called “Carleson property” filling a 5-acre gap in an otherwise almost contiguous permanently-protected riparian buffer along the lower reach of Chimacum Creek.

Since that time, Illahee Preserve has become a well-loved and well-visited community asset. Every fall public school students and community members alike visit the Preserve to view the returning ESA-listed Hood Canal summer chum salmon. The rest of the year the Preserve also provides a venue for a quiet walk in a riparian forest, facilities for nature studies educational programming, and small gatherings.

In order to maintain the important habitat conservation values of the original project, Jefferson Land Trust must work to improve the public access infrastructure to continue providing these important community benefits, while also protecting sensitive riparian vegetation and soils. These projects involve ongoing maintenance of the mowed area, access road, parking, and picnic structure, as well as improvements including a potential boardwalk to provide low-impact creek viewing access, and signage and trail improvements.

6 a. The proposed acquisition site _does _does not provide a conservation or preservation opportunity which would otherwise be lost or threatened. N/A

6 b. If applicable, please carefully describe the nature and immediacy of the opportunity or threat, and any unique qualities about the site.

Jefferson Land Trust, Jefferson County Conservation Futures, and the community have invested a significant amount of resources into improving creek and riparian forest habitat conditions and public access at Illahee Preserve. This work has greatly increased the number of community members who visit the Preserve annually, to see salmon returning or for a quiet walk. These original efforts to provide Illahee Preserve as place for the public requires ongoing maintenance. If not managed appropriately, public access can start to negatively impact the conservation values that the property was originally
protected for. We seek CFF support to ensure we have the funding to manage for this balance of access and habitat.

7. Summarize the project’s conservation values and how the CF funds requested support these values. This 2020 Conservation Futures Operations and Maintenance application would support the habitat and public access/education values of this Preserve by allowing Jefferson Land Trust to secure the funds necessary to continue providing high-quality public access, while also protecting sensitive riparian plants and soils from overuse. Investing in providing low-impact public access now will preserve the habitat values of the Preserve into the future as visitation is likely to increase with a general population trend growing and wanting to spend time outdoors.

8. The proposed acquisition: [From the 2011 Conservation Futures Application]
8 a. _X_ provides habitat for State of Washington Priority Habitat and/or State or Federal Threatened, Endangered or Sensitive species.
8 b. _X_ provides habitat for a variety of native flora or fauna species.
8 c. _X_ contributes to an existing or future wildlife corridor or migration route.
If affirmative in any of the above, please describe and list the Priority Habitat(s) and Threatened, Endangered, or Sensitive species below, and cite or provide documentation of species’ use.¹

Lower Chimacum Creek, including Illahee Preserve, is spawning and rearing habitat for Hood Canal summer chum (listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 1999), and is also used by native coho, and cutthroat trout. The stable forested slopes and abundant seeps and springs on this property add to the important water quality conditions of the stream. The natural course of Chimacum Creek meanders, while the riparian forest adds large woody debris that traps spawning gravel and creates pools and eddies.

Characteristic flora: The riparian forest is characterized by bigleaf maple, Western redcedar, and Western hemlock. Sword fern and salal are common on slopes, along with trillium and false Soloman’s seal. Salmonberry and red alder dominate floodplain zones or wet terraces.

Characteristic fauna: Columbia black-tailed deer, coyote, and bobcat are the largest mammals to knowingly utilize the creek corridor, while other large mammals, such as mountain lion, black bear, and Roosevelt elk may utilize the corridor that includes Illahee Preserve. Many native bird species are known to use and breed in the greater Lower Chimacum Creek area, including Great Blue Heron, Bald eagle, Osprey, Belted Kingfisher, and Common Merganser. Chimacum Creek is home to an ESA-listed threatened species of Hood Canal summer chum salmon, as well as coho salmon, steelhead salmon, and resident and anadromous cutthroat trout. According to the WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife’s Priority Habitat and Species list, the following state priority habitats and species are known to occur in the general area of the Preserve:

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¹ See, for example, [http://www.dnr.wa.gov/researchscience/topics/naturalheritage/pages/amp_nh.aspx](http://www.dnr.wa.gov/researchscience/topics/naturalheritage/pages/amp_nh.aspx)  
[http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/plants.html](http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/plants.html)  
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8 d. Does the current owner participate in conservation programs that enhance wildlife habitat? If so, please provide details.

Jefferson Land Trust manages this property to maintain and enhance ecological functions, including providing high-quality wildlife habitat. Management goals and actions are identified in Jefferson Land Trust Management Plan that is regularly updated to reflect current property conditions and to adapt to changing property needs. Jefferson Land Trust monitoring property condition and progress towards management goals on a regular basis, and uses monitoring data to inform adaptive management.

9. Describe to what degree the project protects habitat for anadromous fish species (for example: marine shorelines, stream/river corridors including meander zones, and riparian buffers). Please provide documentation and maps that demonstrate the location, quality and extent of the existing buffer and adjoining habitat.

Please see the above chart 8c for specifics on anadromous fish use of Illahee Preserve. This property encompasses a portion of both banks of Chimacum creek, which protects the soil and water quality that affects the creek. Under Jefferson Land Trust ownership and management the riparian forest has been enhanced through noxious weed removal and through additional native plantings. This habitat has been further protected by providing directed public access and education opportunities to connect our community with the native forest and salmon.

10 a. Describe the extent and nature of current and planned agricultural use of the proposed acquisition, including any anticipated changes to that use once the property, or property right, is acquired with Conservation Futures funds.

N/A

10 b. Describe the current owner's record of implementing management practices that preserves and/or enhances soil, water quality, watershed function and wildlife habitat on the farm.

N/A

10 c. Describe how the acquisition or proposed easement will likely preserve and/or enhance soil, water quality, watershed function and wildlife habitat.

N/A

11 a. Describe the extent and nature of current and planned silvicultural use of the proposed acquisition. Please cite or provide documentation of existing or planned silvicultural activities including forest management plan(s) or forest ecosystem restoration.

N/A
11 b. Describe the current owner’s record of implementing management practices that preserves and/or enhances soil, water quality, watershed function and wildlife habitat.

Jefferson Land Trust is the current property owner and has undertaken a number of stewardship and management practices since this property was protected in 2012. Management activities undertaken include: non-native blackberry, nightshade, English holly, thistle, and herb robert removal, installation of native conifer and shrub plantings to enhance riparian habitat, maintenance of parking on Creekview Ln, pedestrian trails, removal of hazard trees in public access areas, development and installation of informational signage, maintenance of infrastructure including road, grassy area, sanican, and picnic shelter, and at-least annual monitoring and forest and stream health assessments.

11 c. Describe how the property acquisition or proposed easement will likely preserve and/or enhance soil, water quality, watershed function and wildlife habitat.

The proposed Operations and Maintenance activities will help preserve soil, water quality, ecosystem function, and wildlife habitat by reducing ecosystem disturbances and stressors including by maintaining high-quality public access that also protects sensitive riparian environments.

12 a. Describe how the proposed acquisition benefits primarily a ___ local area ___ broad county area including the area served, the nature of the benefit, the jurisdictions involved, and the populations served.

From the 2011 Conservation Futures Acquisition Application:

The property benefits a broad county area and Washington State priorities by protecting critical habitat for endangered salmon species of this area, including the summer chum salmon, fall chum, coho, steelhead and trout, as well other wildlife species like kingfisher, osprey, great blue heron and eagles.

Two of the goals specified in 2008 Lower Chimacum Creek Fish and Wildlife Management Plan are: 1) protection of the area will co-exist with human use of the watershed, characterized by thriving agricultural lands, managed forests, and residential communities taking an active interest in providing stewardship of the ecosystem, and 2) the providing of public access for fish- and wildlife-oriented recreation, education, and appreciation that is consistent with habitat protection, restoration/enhancement, and stewardship goals.

12 b. Is the project located in an area that is under-represented by CF funded Projects? Areas that Conservation Futures has not been able to support to date include Marrowstone Island, Toandos Peninsula, Dosewallips Valley, Bolton Peninsula, and the West End.

No

13. Describe the educational or interpretive opportunities that exist for providing public access, educational or interpretive displays (signage, kiosks, etc.) on the proposed site, including any plans to provide those improvements and any plans for public accessibility.\(^2\)

\(^2\) The words “education” and “interpretation” are interpreted broadly by the CF Committee.
Public access is provided through unguided opportunities for pedestrian access on designated trails and through guided opportunities with Jefferson Land Trust, including through Jefferson Land Trust-stewardship events and educational opportunities. Jefferson Land Trust plans to maintain high-quality public access by providing a parking area, group/gathering area, picnic shelter, sanitary, designated pedestrian trails, and informational signage on site.

14. The proposed acquisition __ includes historic or culturally significant resources and __ is registered with the National Register of Historic Places, or an equivalent program. __ is recognized locally as having historic or cultural resources. __ is adjacent to and provides a buffer for a historic or cultural site.

If affirmative in any of the above, please describe below, and cite or provide documentation of the historical or cultural resources.

None known

Verification

15. Sponsors of applications that are approved for funding by the Board of County Commissioners are required to submit a brief progress report by October 30 every year for three years after the award is approved, or three years after the acquisition funds are disbursed to the applicant, whichever is later. The progress report must address any changes in the project focus or purpose, progress in obtaining matching funding, and stewardship and maintenance. Sponsors receiving O&M funds will also submit an annual report for each year that O&M funds are expended. The Committee will use the information to develop a project “report card” that will be submitted annually to the Board of County Commissioners.

If this application is approved for funding, I understand the sponsor is required to submit progress reports for three years and for any year in which O&M funds are expended. __ __ Initials 3/27/xx Date

16. If, three years after the date funding is approved by the Board of County Commissioners, the applicants have not obtained the required matching funds, the Committee may request the Board of County Commissioners to nullify their approval of funds, and may require the project to re-apply.

If this application is approved for funding, I understand that we may be required to re-submit the application if the project sponsor does not obtain the necessary matching funding within three years. __ __ Initials 3/27/xx Date

3 Cultural resources means archeological and historic sites and artifacts, and traditional religious ceremonial and social uses and activities of affected Indian Tribes and mandatory protections of resources under chapters 27.44 and 27.53 RCW

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Previous stewardship work planting native trees and shrubs.

Public space for educational and community gatherings, and limited-mobility access.
Chimacum Creek within Illahee Preserve

Frequent public use of creek bank
Previous creek bank conditions

Representative current creek bank conditions, with areas to improve native vegetation and soil protection
For informational purposes only. All data represented are from varying sources and approximate.

Map created in December, 2018
Illahee
Preserve Locator Map

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