



**King County**

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Councilmember, District 9

**Metropolitan King County Council**

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King County Conservation Futures Citizens Oversight Committee  
Mr David Tieman  
Office of Rural and Resource Programs  
King Street Center  
201 S. Jackson St. Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Dave:

I am writing to share my support of the purchase of a 216 acre parcel of timbered land on Squak Mountain near Issaquah. I understand that the King County Parks Division is considering submitting an application to purchase this land with Conservation Futures funds and I stand ready to be of assistance in the process.

I understand that this is one of the few large tracts of timbered land on Squak Mt left to be purchased that would connect Cougar Mountain to the Cougar/Squak corridor. To have it purchased by King County would underscore the importance that the county has placed on open space and protecting important scenic landscapes.

I believe in protecting these vital areas when possible and enjoyed the opportunity to work with Conservations Futures Citizens Oversight Committee when we purchased the Raging River parcels a few years ago. With Conservation Futures Tax levy funds being collected from property taxes levied throughout King County for the purchase and permanent protection of open space lands, and your dedicated work to build partnerships with willing sellers this program is a natural fit for Squak Mountain.

I look forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Lisa LaBrache on my staff at 206-296-1009.

Best regards,

Reagan Dunn  
King County Councilman