

Regulatory & Permitting Updates

King County Agricultural Commission

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2022 Accomplishments

400 ft² storage buildings permit exempt for commercial agriculture and forestry (double the size of previous exempt structure)

Completed drainage project reducing flood risk to several farms in the Snoqualmie Valley

- Bringing Acreage Back into Production and
- Provided Information to Effectively Address Alluvial Fan Flooding

Provided Technical Assistance to over 100 landowners

- Land Use Advice
- Permitting Assistance
- Code Enforcement Resolution

What's Up for 2023

Building Code & Clearing/Grading Code updates

- Wildlife exclusion fencing
- Wildfire hazard reduction

Integrated Drainage Program

Professional Services Rosters; AFI, KCD and SVPA effort to assist farmers in finding reasonably priced, effective engineering and critical areas review required for permits

Publishing guidance materials

- Floodplain regulations related to agriculture
- Farm Infrastructure; farm field access roads, manure management, fences,...
- Criteria to qualify for agricultural allowances