

KING COUNTY AGRICULTURE COMMISSION

MEETING NOTICE

THURSDAY MARCH 9, 2023

6:00-8:00 P.M.

ZOOM VIDEO CALL

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MEETING AGENDA

The Commission's 2023 Focus is Farmland Preservation

6:00	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none">For the public record, please sign in via the chat feature or announce yourself by name and whether you are a commissioner, staff or member of the publicApproval of AgendaApproval of Meeting Minutes: <i>February</i>	Kevin Scott, Chair
6:05	Public Comment related to a specific agenda item <i>3 minutes/person</i>	Kevin Scott
6:10	Updates (approx. 3 min each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Commission Details, Policy, Ag Education & EventsKing County Ag ProgramKing Conservation DistrictLocal Food InitiativeWashington State University CSANRFood Business Resource Center/BINWKing-Pierce Farm BureauFarm Fish Flood	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Patrice BarrentineRichard MartinMatt MegaMike LufkinJordan JobeHenry WongLeann KrainickRichard Martin
6:45	New Business: <i>Focus on Farmland Preservation in King County</i> King County Agriculture Policies and Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none">Overview of agriculture programsSpecific land preservation programs<ul style="list-style-type: none">KC Transfer of Development Rights Program (TDR)KC Farmland Preservation Program (FPP)KC Public Benefits Rating System (PBRs) – OPEN SPACE TAX IncentivesFarmland Preservation Policies<ul style="list-style-type: none">Land Conservation Initiative (LCI)Local Food Initiative (LFI)KC Comprehensive Plan (current)Q&A	Richard Martin, Manager, Agriculture, Forestry and Incentives, WLRD, KC DNRP
7:15	Local Food Initiative (LFI) <ul style="list-style-type: none">HistoryLink to Farmland AccessCurrent and key projectsQ&A	Mike Lufkin, Food Economy Program Manager, KC DNRP

7:40	Old Business Policy/Land Use Committee Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy letter re: large events on farmland in APDs 	Kevin Scott and Darron Marzolf
7:45	Executive Committee Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendation for LSLU Briefing • Officers 	Kevin Scott and Darron Marzolf
7:50	General Public Comment <i>3 minutes/person</i>	Kevin Scott
7:55	Concerns of Commissioners	Kevin Scott
8:00	Adjourn	Kevin Scott
Next Meeting: April 13, 2022		



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King County Agriculture Commission
DRAFT Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 9, 2023 – 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Zoom Video Conference Call

Commissioners Present (Y/N)					
Kevin Scott-Vandenberg, Chair	Y	Andrew Ely	Y	Shelley Pasco	N
Darron Marzolf, Vice-Chair	N	Janet Keller	Y	Henry Wong	Y
Jessi Bloom	Y	Nayab Khan	N		
Ex Officio Members Present (Y/N)					
Jordan Jobe, WSU	N	Matt Mega, KCD	Y		
County Staff/Representatives Present					
Patrice Barrentine, DNRP	Richard Martin, DNRP				
Jim Chan, DLS	John Taylor, DLS				
Guests Present					
Eric Brandjes	Leann Krainick		Stacey Smith		
Deloa Dalby	Tom Quigley				

Meeting Summary

- **Actions: Approvals of Agenda and November 2022/January 2023 Meeting Minutes; vote on subcommittee for Large Events on Farmland in APDs**
- **Old Business: Commission, Policy, County, & Organization Updates**
- **Discussion: Large Events on Farmland in APDs; Commission Planning for 2023, continued; Next Steps for Farmland Preservation**

Meeting called to order by Chair Kevin Scott-Vandenberg at 6:05 pm

Roll Call/Announcement of Staff & Public (Kevin Scott-Vandenberg)

Roll call of Commissioners and announcement of staff and public guests was done via Zoom’s chat function.

ACTION: Approval of Meeting Agenda & November 2022, January 2023 Meeting Minutes (Kevin Scott-Vandenberg)

Chair Scott-Vandenberg opted to combine approvals of tonight’s agenda and the November 2022 and January 2023 meeting minutes into one motion. Andrew Ely motioned to approve the aforementioned items as is. Henry Wong seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Public Comment – Specific Agenda Item (Kevin Scott-Vandenberg)

- **Leann Krainick** thanked Jim Chan and Department of Local Services (DLS) for the success in permitting a recently-built dairy barn on the Krainicks’ farm. Krainick plans to work with Eric Beach of DNRP to streamline the permitting process for agriculture. Krainick also reported there are plans to move several registered violent offenders previously housed by the state of Washington on McNeil Island to the Enumclaw APD. King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn and the county Sheriff are hosting a town hall meeting on the issue tonight. Krainick said the state of Washington can take eminent domain over what voters want, and requested King County look at this issue to see if there is any way to alleviate it.
- **Stacey Smith** voiced concerns about noise from a planned multi-night concert at Carnation Farms potentially driving the elk herd from the farms onto Smith’s nearby farm and eating away their strawberry crop. This would

severely damage Smith's income for the year. Smith has submitted a prior damage claim to WDFW for elk damaging their strawberry crop, which was denied. Smith believes WDFW adjusters are not familiar with how strawberries grow, resulting in the denied claim, and is trying to engage in a dialogue with WDFW on the matter. Smith said they don't have a problem with Carnation Farms making supplemental income, but there needs to be a stronger look at not having huge non-farm-related events on local farmland.

Old Business – Updates

- **Commission Details/Agriculture Policy & Events (Patrice Barrentine):**
 - Financial disclosure forms are due from Commissioners.
 - The Commission nomination packet for 2021 nominees is completed and will go through DNRP, before going to the County Executive.
 - There are two recent pieces of King County Council legislation pertaining to agriculture:
 - 2022-0344, a motion calling on WSDOT to remove a location in the Enumclaw APD from consideration for a new international airport. This was reintroduced in the Committee of the Whole.
 - 2022-0147, related to wineries/breweries/distilleries, which was reintroduced in the Local Services and Land Use (LSLU) committee.
 - Councilmember Sarah Perry has issued a standing invitation for the Commission to brief the LSLU committee, with several dates available through July 2023.
 - In the state legislature, House Bill 1720 was launched this week to provide for voluntary plantings along riparian waterways. The first public hearing was Tuesday, with no action yet. The Washington State Conservation Commission would develop a grant program to fund protection and restoration of critical riparian management zones. On February 17, the bill is scheduled for executive session in the House's committee on agriculture and natural resources. The bill would establish a task force to monitor the grant program, which would include a diverse representation of agriculture, forestry, tribal, and salmon recovery interests.
 - SoilCon 23, sponsored by WSU, will be held February 14-15. The conference is free and online.
 - The WSFMA Farmers Market conference will be held February 24-25, with King County in attendance.
 - Good Food Connections, a farm to table trade show, will be held February 27 in Seattle. Vice-Chair Darron Marzolf will be on a panel.
- **King County Agriculture Program (Richard Martin):**
 - King County is launching a new farm, Issaquah Creek Farm, and bringing farmers on board. The farm is 123 acres with about half dedicated for habitat restoration, but about 50 acres of farmland. For the first three acres available, the County selected a request for proposal (RFP) from a Laotian family with lot of experience farming in this area. For all County-owned farms, the agriculture program tries to bring in farmers with at least some experience, but who need help with land access. There are about 100 farm businesses established on County property, with a goal of providing them initial support so they can eventually buy or lease their own land. They would then move off County land to open up space for the next generation of beginning farmers.
 - The County has pushed to adopt more environmentally sustainable farming practices on its farms, such as using compost. The County views this as a potential advantage from two perspectives: the soil health and nutrient benefits of compost, and keeping organics out of landfills. Many dairies can spread large quantities of organic material on their fields, and KCD has a small manure spreader they can loan to smaller farmers. Mid-size farms, however, have not had much access to equipment to take advantage of compost. The agriculture program was recently awarded a pilot project grant from the Washington Conservation Commission, which will be used to purchase a mid-size compost/manure spreader for use on County farms as a pilot project. If this works, the program will seek grant funds for KCD to expand their equipment lease program and take the new spreader to make available for farmers around the county.
- **King Conservation District (Matt Mega):**
 - KCD has just purchased another large manure spreader.
 - Cost-share funding restarts at the beginning of each calendar year. KCD's farm team has already put in five cost-share applications for farms in King County, mainly working on protecting natural resources and water quality. The farm team uses about \$150K per year.
 - Renewal of KCD's agreement with the County is coming up in a few years. KCD is looking for feedback and is doing listening sessions with stakeholders now. This process would involve not just redoing the interlocal agreement (ILA), but redoing KCD's strategic plan as well for the next 5-10 years.
- **Local Food Initiative (Mike Lufkin):** There was no update on this item.
- **WSU CSANR (Jordan Jobe):** There was no update on this item.
- **Food Business Resource Center/BINW (Henry Wong):**

- BINW has a free virtual Food Business Week [event](#) coming up February 22-23.
- The Center has begun a new project, running an incubator kitchen out of 21 Acres' facility in Woodinville. This is for value-added product producers, or packaged food businesses that source mainly from local farms. The application and more information should be available online soon.
- **King-Pierce Farm Bureau (Leann Krainick):**
 - KPFB is focusing on several legislative bills this week.
 - HB 1720. 250 people submitted arguments in favor of the bill. At the hearing, all were in support except a representative from Governor Inslee's office. Therefore, FB is not confident Inslee will sign the bill.
 - SB 5476 and HB 1523, companion bills, would provide agriculture overtime season ability. Krainick says this would mean a farmer could assign 12 weeks per year with overtime starting at 50 hours a week instead of 40. This is a big push for orchards and seasonal vegetable growers in Washington.
 - HB 1422, a reusable packing materials bill. Currently, disposable packaging materials are exempt from taxation, but reusable pallets are not.
 - Applications for KPFB scholarships are available on its website. Applicants must explain in essay form how their degree impacts agriculture, and must be an associate FB member.
 - February's KPFB meeting will be on Zoom.
- **Farm Fish Flood 2.0 (Richard Martin):** The current focus is on the agriculture strategic plan task force's efforts to finish its work. Melissa Borsting of DNRP is now leading the buffer implementation task force, which is also undertaking significant work.

ACTION/New Business: Large Events on Farmland in APDs (John Taylor, Jim Chan – KC DLS)

John Taylor is director of King County DLS. Jim Chan is director for DLS's permitting and code enforcement division. Taylor reported the aforementioned planned concert at Carnation Farms would *not* take place at the farms, and DLS is working with the ticket holder to find an alternate venue. Taylor said DLS and the Executive shared the view it was not a good idea to host this event at the farms for multiple reasons: June farm soils in the Snoqualmie Valley are not suited to lots of foot and vehicle traffic; the County as a rule does not want to see large events in the APD; and allowing an event like this at Carnation Farms would establish precedent for similar future events on agricultural land. Taylor added the County wants to do all possible to protect agricultural soils. Taylor and Chan are visiting Carnation Farms next week to discuss what land uses do make sense for Carnation Farms within the boundaries of their existing Temporary Use Permit (TUP), and are not impactful to agricultural soils. Taylor noted a possibility the ticket holder for the event, Seattle Theater Group, may want to use some of an unincorporated area to host the event, and DLS will loop back to the Commission for discussion if this occurs.

Taylor continued that the main reason for DLS's presence at the Commission tonight is that the Carnation Farms event will not be the last such event planned on agricultural land. King County is highly urbanized, and many farmers are looking for additional ways to make revenue. The County wants to strike a balance between this and protection of the resource of agricultural soils. Taylor asked the Commission what the right intensity is for these kind of events in an APD; if there is need to address this more clearly in the Comprehensive Plan ("Comp Plan") or County code to avoid future situations like the Carnation Farms one. Taylor said the Commission's position, while not needed tonight, would best come as a unanimous letter to DLS and King County Regional Planning.

Chan confirmed DLS does not have resources to engage an in-progress event, that the most effective way to address violating events is to identify and cut them off before they happen. Communicating with and educating organizers and property owners on the consequences is helpful, especially if those involved want a partnership with the County going forward. If someone chooses to move forward with a violating event, DLS code enforcement would engage the Sheriff's Office and other partners to take action. Taylor added that current code gives property owners a lot of recourse and assesses weak penalties for violating code, and DLS will be in a better position once they finish their Council-ordered rewrite of Title 23, which enshrines code enforcement in County code. Taylor further said he isn't sure the County's problem is lack of code enforcement personnel, but lack of leverage over those who choose to flagrantly violate code; there have been repeat examples of violators simply paying a fine and continuing to hold these events because the profit outweighs the fine.

Taylor said one of the best ways to protect farmland against big events is the Farmland Preservation Program and conservation easements. The penalties for violating these land use covenants are swifter than regular code enforcement. Abatement by the County is also possible, but those funds are very limited and typically spent on life safety issues. Richard Martin added that while a benefit of easements is the ability for the County to take legal action if needed, it was more important to regularly work with and educate landowners to ensure compliance. Chan also noted that there are some use exemptions in the temporary use and zoning codes that have made enforcement challenging, though code

enforcement does try to educate people on these. Chan added in response to a question about the frequency of “bad actor” code violators that such occurrences were rare, and this underscored the importance of educating the public on the consequences of code violation.

Chair Scott-Vanderberge asked for a motion to form a subcommittee to draft a letter, and to look at this issue more deeply and bring it back to the full Commission. Patrice Barrentine suggested using an existing subcommittee, such as Land Use. Jessi Bloom and Janet Keller, who served on this subcommittee previously, agreed to serve again, along with Andrew Ely and Leann Krainick. Shelley Pasco also served on the committee previously and was counted among the new subcommittee members. Chair Scott-Vanderberge said an email would be sent to determine a meeting time for the subcommittee.

Chair Scott-Vanderberge rephrased the request for a motion, for the Land Use subcommittee to meet in relationship to large events in the APD and write a formal letter. Andrew Ely made the motion, seconded by Janet Keller. The motion passed unanimously. Patrice Barrentine agreed to follow up with Land Use subcommittee members to set up a meeting time, and thanked Taylor and Chan for their attendance tonight and their understanding and support on this issue.

Public Comment – General (Kevin Scott-Vanderberge)

Tom Quigley thanked Commissioners for their time and service. Quigley then raised a question about the County or Commission looking into having costly Surface Water Management (SWM) fees returned to farmers, or exempting farm buildings from SWM fees. Quigley cited the example of the Sammamish Valley, where water runoff from other properties comes downhill onto farmland. Chair Scott-Vanderberge agreed to look into the issue at the next planning committee meeting.

Commission Planning for 2023, Continued (Kevin Scott-Vanderberge)

Chair Scott-Vanderberge asked for any interest in serving in officer positions; none were voiced. Scott-Vanderberge will reach out to Commissioners to gauge interest and hopefully relieve some possible anxiety about serving. Patrice Barrentine thanked Scott-Vanderberge and Darron Marzolf for their extended service as chair and vice-chair and noted that while the Commission had “slimmed down” during the pandemic, recruitment is now ramping up. Three new Commissioners are expected to be onboarded in the next few months, with a bigger recruitment later this year.

Next Steps for Farmland Preservation (Kevin Scott-Vanderberge, Patrice Barrentine)

Patrice Barrentine reminded Commissioners of a proposed plan from last month’s meeting to guide the Commission in its 2023 focus on farmland preservation, and that feedback is still sought. Barrentine will next invite key DNR policy leaders to speak on programs and policies that tie into farmland preservation such as Transfer of Development Rights (TDR), the Land Conservation Initiative (LCI), and the Local Food Initiative (LFI), as well as Water and Land Division Director Josh Baldi. Next the Commission will use components of the FFF Agriculture Strategic Plan, expected to be ready for public review process in March, to dig into farmland preservation issues and strategies across all farmland.

It was asked when the Commission should form its statement to advise King County Council on farmland preservation and the Comp Plan. Barrentine said the next period for input on the plan would occur in the fall. However, Barrentine noted the plan is a significant body of work and the Commission would likely not have time to meet a fall target to finalize their input. There will be components of the plan that the Commission can weigh in on, though, and the piece brought to the Commission by DLS tonight is a good start, Barrentine added. It was further noted the Commission has not made much use of its committees since the pandemic, and those are traditionally the best venues to dig deeper into key issues, so it’s time to engage those committees again.

Concerns of Commissioners (Kevin Scott-Vanderberge)

Patrice Barrentine announced the King County Executive Emergency Order for COVID-19 was lifted this week. This means – among other matters – that meetings now require a public component, such as a public phone line to call in. Richard Martin and Barrentine are working on how to implement that. Barrentine also asked Commissioners to consider best times and frequency to hold meetings, that 6 to 8 pm may no longer be the most practical given public constraints.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Next Meeting(s)

March 9, 2023, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm (Zoom Video Conference Call)

Legislation, Conferences, Events and Key Dates

REGARDING KING COUNTY
AGRICULTURE

MARCH 2023



**Financial Disclosure Forms
2023**

received

- Henry
- Nayab
- Janet
- Jessi
- Kevin

need

- Darron
- Andrew
- Shelley

Staff Liaison Admin

- Financial Disclosure Forms
- Appointments 2023
- Recruitment 2023

Commission Nomination Process

1

Ag Commission selects and forwards nomination to

2

Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) Director for review and approval; upon approval nomination is forwarded to

3

King County Executive for review and approval; *All nominees must complete financial disclosure forms within 2 weeks of this step*; upon approval nomination is forwarded to

4

King County Council-when Clerk receives the nomination, nominee can begin participating as a voting member and then

5

King County Council brings forward the confirming legislation for each nominee in their district first to committee and then full council to complete the process

We are here

Surface water management fee

SWM Fee

- Inquiry last mtg from member of the public, Tom Quigley
- Rates went up 2.14.23
- SWM fee does also benefit and fund agriculture in the form of the Agriculture Drainage Assistance Program, and Farm, Fish, Flood as well as funding some agricultural program staff positions.
- Surface Water Management Fee Discounts and Cost-Sharing Program
<https://kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/wlr/surface-water-mgt-fee.aspx>
- Stormwater customer service at 206-477-4811

Annual SWM rates for 2023 and 2024

Rate class	Description	% Imperv. surface	Fee
1	Residential	NA	\$323.00 per parcel
2	Very light	≤ 10%	\$323.00 per parcel
3	Light	> 10.1 ≤ 20%	\$898.04 per acre
4	Moderate	> 20.1 ≤ 45%	\$1,680.99 per acre
5	Moderately heavy	> 45.1 ≤ 65%	\$2,868.55 per acre
6	Heavy	> 65.1 ≤ 85%	\$3,996.00 per acre
7	Very heavy	> 85.1 ≤ 100%	\$4,916.64 per acre

King County Events and Public Meetings



- <https://www.kingcounty.gov/about/news/events.aspx>
- **Holidays (KC offices closed): none in March**
- Metropolitan King County Council Meetings every Tuesday

King County Legislation

No movement
of these bills



2022-0147, AN ORDINANCE relating to winery, brewery and distillery

1/24/2023	2	Metropolitan King County Council	Reintroduced	<u>Local Services and Land Use Committee</u>
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2022-0344, A MOTION calling on the Washington state Department of Transportation to remove the King County Southeast location in the Enumclaw agricultural production district from consideration in the Washington Aviation System Plan.

1/24/2023	1	Metropolitan King County Council	Reintroduced	Committee of the Whole
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Invitation from CM Perry to Brief the LSLU Committee

Update from Kevin later in the meeting



King County

2023 State Legislative Agenda

TOP PRIORITIES

Strengthen Access to Behavioral Health Care

- Eliminate obstacles to the efficient provision of behavioral health support and treatment.
- Provide immediate crisis services and behavioral health treatment by investing in behavioral health workforce, community-based behavioral health capital facilities and operations.



Local Government Funding and Tax Reform

- Replace the arbitrary one percent property tax cap with a mechanism that accounts for inflation and population growth.
- Provide local governments with needed flexibility and tools to help implement a more progressive tax system and to preserve and maintain local roads.
- Simplify property tax exemption programs for our senior and disabled residents.



ADDITIONAL PRIORITIES

Housing and Homelessness

- Fund additional robust capital and operating investments in low-income and supportive housing.
- Adopt policies and incentives to advance development and construction of missing middle housing.
- Adopt policies and funding to support individuals and families in recovery from substance use disorders.



Public Safety and Justice System

- Maintain the intent of previous law enforcement accountability reforms while seeking improvements for operational implementation.
- Invest in public safety staffing.
- Address gun violence through prevention and expand innovative diversion efforts that address root causes.
- Improve conditions for juveniles in detention.



Maintain and Expand Pro-Equity and Anti-Racist Policies

- Increase community-based resources that address hate and bias crimes and incidents.
- Address the expiring Blake decision response legislation and maintain resentencing funds for local governments.
- Pursue legislation that provides equity for people with disabilities.



Environmental Stewardship and Climate Change

- Emphasize outcome-based water quality benefits necessary to promote long-term resilience for Puget Sound.
- Continue to enhance and grow product stewardship programs to make products safer for people and the planet, from design to disposal.
- Invest in transit, building decarbonization, vehicle electrification, clean energy supplies, and climate-resilient infrastructure.
- Support updates to land use planning and permitting that align policies with state emission reduction goals and establish greenhouse reduction goals at the regional and county level and a framework for implementation via reasonable regional, county, and local efforts.



Ensure Access to Complete Health Care

- Ensure providers can treat patients seeking reproductive health care without repercussion and residents can access those providers despite increased demand and decreased capacity.
- Provide necessary resources for Monkeypox vaccines.
- Support policy and budget efforts that address challenges with discharging patients who no longer need acute hospital-level care to settings that provide the appropriate level of care, particularly for patients with significant medical and behavioral complexity.



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WA State Legislative Session



HB 1720 - 2023-24

Concerning the protection and restoration of riparian areas through the establishment of a fund to support the ecological functions of critical riparian management zones.

Sponsors: Chapman, Dent, Lekanoff, Kretz, Volz, Klicker, Schmidt, Schmick, Couture, Goehner, Corry, Barkis, Graham, Dye, Hutchins, Cheney

Bill Status-at-a-Glance

See [Bill History](#) for complete details on the bill

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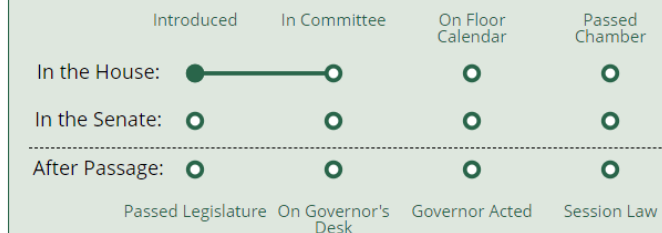
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HB 1720

Current Status:

HCap Budget

Where is it in the process?



- **House Bill 1720** would protect and restore riparian areas by establishing a voluntary, regionally focused riparian grant program designed to improve the ecological functions of critical riparian management zones.

Feb 17 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources at 10:30 AM. (Committee Materials)
AGNR - Majority; **1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.** (View 1st Substitute) (Majority Report)
Referred to Capital Budget.

Feb 20 Public hearing in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 8:00 AM. (Committee Materials)

Feb 22 Executive session scheduled, but no action was taken in the House Committee on Capital Budget at 9:00 AM. (Committee Materials)

WA State Legislative Session



2023 Session Cutoff Calendar

 [Click here for a PDF version of the 2023 cutoff calendar.](#)

January 9, 2023	First Day of Session
February 17, 2023	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) in house of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
February 24, 2023	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in house of origin.
March 8, 2023	Last day to consider (pass) bills in house of origin (5 p.m.).
March 29, 2023	Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 4, 2023	Last day to read in opposite house committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 12, 2023*	Last day to consider (pass) opposite house bills (5 p.m.) (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session).
April 23, 2023	Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.

* After 5:00pm on the 54th day, only initiatives, alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, matters that affect state revenue, messages pertaining to amendments, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session may be considered.

2023 Regular Session cutoff dates were established in [SCR 8401](#), and adopted by the House & Senate.

- Last Friday, [Substitute House Bill 1720](#), the bipartisan riparian legislation, passed out of the House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. The legislation is sponsored by Rep. Mike Chapman (D), Rep. Tom Dent (R), Rep. Debra Lekanoff (D) and Rep. Joel Kretz (R). The bill was amended to create a second riparian grant program to be administered by the Salmon Recovery Funding Board.

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Snoqualmie Valley APD Agriculture Land Resource Strategic Plan

Public Review Process
Coming late March-April

Events



King County



Fish Farm Flood

Working together for our best future



COMMISSION PLANNING FOR 2023: PART 2

FOCUS: FARMLAND PRESERVATION IN KING COUNTY



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APPROACH FOR DISCUSSION

- **POLICIES AND PROGRAMS OVERVIEW**
- **OTHER AREAS OF CONCERN/INTEREST**
- **FIELD TRIP TO SEE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS AND/OR SOLUTIONS**
- **COMMISSION POLICY AND PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS**
- **POLICY FIELD TRIP**
- **GOALS**

FOCUS: FARMLAND PRESERVATION IN KING COUNTY

- **START WITH POLICIES AND PROGRAMS**
 - **DIRECTOR OF WATER AND LAND DIVISION INVITE**
 - **PRESENTATION OF PROGRAMS**
 - **KC FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM (FPP)**
 - **KC TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS PROGRAM (TDR)**
 - **KC PUBLIC BENEFITS RATING SYSTEM (PBRs) – OPEN SPACE TAX INCENTIVES**
 - **PRESENTATION OF POLICIES**
 - **LAND CONSERVATION INITIATIVE (LCI)**
 - **LOCAL FOOD INITIATIVE (LFI)**
 - **KC COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**
 - **SVAPD AGRICULTURE LAND RESOURCE STRATEGIC PLAN**
 - **VEHICLE TO DIG INTO EXAMPLES**
 - **ELK DAMAGE**
 - **POACHERS & TRESPASSING**

FOCUS: FARMLAND PRESERVATION IN KING COUNTY

- **START WITH POLICIES AND PROGRAMS**
 - **SVAPD AGRICULTURE LAND RESOURCE STRATEGIC PLAN**
 - **VEHICLE TO DIG INTO FARMLAND PRESERVATION TOPICS**
 - **EXAMPLE: ELK DAMAGE,**
 - **POACHERS & TRESPASSING**

FOCUS: FARMLAND PRESERVATION IN KING COUNTY

SVAPD AGRICULTURE LAND RESOURCE STRATEGIC PLAN

1.1 DRAINAGE

1.1.1 DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FOR ADAP ELIGIBLE WATERWAYS

1.1.2 DRAIN TILES

1.1.3 FLAP GATES, FLOODGATES, AND PUMPS

1.1.4 CULVERTS

1.1.5 DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FOR NON-ADAP WATERWAYS

1.1.6 BEAVERS

1.2 FLOOD SAFETY

1.2.7 FLOOD SAFETY FOR FARMS: HIGH GROUND REFUGE AND FARM PADS

1.2.8 HOME PRESERVATION IN THE APD

1.3 IRRIGATION

1.3.9 WATER RIGHTS AND IRRIGATION

FOCUS: FARMLAND PRESERVATION IN KING COUNTY

SVAPD AGRICULTURE LAND RESOURCE STRATEGIC PLAN

1.4 TRANSPORTATION

1.4.10 REVETMENTS

1.4.11 TRANSPORTATION AND BRIDGES

1.5 CLIMATE CHANGE

1.5.12 CLIMATE CHANGE PREDICTIONS

1.5.13 INVASIVE SPECIES

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2.1 POPULATION GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS

2.1.14 POPULATION PRESSURE

2.1.15 EMERGING ISSUES

2.2 WILDLIFE

2.2.16 ELK AND DEER

1.1.16 BEAVERS

2.3 FARMLAND PRESERVATION

2.3.17 FARMLAND PRESERVATION

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2.4 PROPOSED ACREAGE FOR A LONG-TERM, VIABLE SECTOR

2.4.18 ACREAGE CHALLENGES, NEEDS
AND RECOMMENDATION

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CURRENT CONDITION

WHAT'S KNOWN IN OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTY?

DESIRED CONDITION

IS IT APPLICABLE IN OTHER APDS/AREAS OF THE COUNTY?

PLAN AND TIMELINE

HOW DO WE PUT THE WEIGHT OF THE COMMISSION BEHIND CERTAIN STRATEGIES OR TIMELINES IN THE SVAPD

AND/OR

OTHER APDS/AREAS OF THE COUNTY?

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- WHAT ARE OTHER AREAS OF CONCERN/INTEREST YOU'D LIKE TO DELVE INTO?
(NOT LAID OUT IN THE AG STRATEGIC PLAN)

1. x

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EFFECTIVENESS

- FIELD TRIP
 - EDUCATIONAL FOR COMMISSIONERS: SHOWS ON THE GROUND EXAMPLES OF SPECIFIC PROBLEMS OR SOLUTIONS
 - THINGS YOU'D LIKE TO SEE AND LOCATIONS?
 1. X

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EFFECTIVENESS

- COMMISSION POLICY AND PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS
- REINFORCE WITH POLICY FIELD TRIP?

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GOALS FOR THIS WORK?

1. x

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- **WHAT'S MISSING?**
- **FURTHER DISCUSSION**
- **NEXT STEPS**