



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Resolution 2019-15 Sustainable funding for State Conservation Commission

SPONSOR CD: Thurston Conservation District

AREA: NW SW NC SC NE SE

RESOLUTION TYPE:

- Policy
- Position Statement
- Recognition
- Study

RESOLUTION ACTION AGENCY (check any option that applies):

- WACD
- WSCC
- OTHER STAGE AGENCY _____
- NRCS _____
- NACD _____
- NON-STATE/FEDERAL PARTNER _____

BACKGROUND/PROBLEM STATEMENT:

Every legislative session the WSCC struggles to obtain funding, despite being a long-standing agency with a mission that receives bipartisan support. The amount to support WSCC functions is "budget dust". In addition, needs for CD actions continue to mount, including Orca recovery and elections.

RESOLUTION LANGUAGE:

WACD shall work with WSCC and the Long-term Sustainable Funding Committee to recommend a sustainable funding option for the Conservation Commission and the Legislature to support CD services, such as revenue from a dedicated fee or direct authority for Rates and Charges.

TYPE OF TEXT OF RESOLUTION (check all boxes that apply):

- Technical (changes address grammar, punctuation, sentence flow and makes **NO** substantive change(s) to the existing policy.
- Substantive change to existing policy. If in doubt, check the box.
- New policy.

IS THERE A BUDGET IMPLICATION TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY?

- NO
- YES (briefly explain): Study will require staff time and resources