

## **KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

## **Signature Report**

### **September 24, 2002**

### Ordinance 14477

**Proposed No.** 2002-0321.2

Sponsors Lambert

1	AN ORDINANCE approving the Sallal Water Association
2	2001 Comprehensive Water System Plan.
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5	PREAMBLE:
6	K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires approval of comprehensive plans for water
7	utilities as a prerequisite for granting right-of-way franchises and approval
8	of right-of-way construction permits.
9	The Sallal Water Association is located east of the city of North Bend and
10	currently provides retail and wholesale water service to approximately five
11	thousand people; about ten thousand people are projected to be retail or
12	wholesale customers when the service area is fully developed under
13	existing zoning. The association's only wholesale customer is the
14	Wilderness Rim development. The service area is largely rural, although
15	some of the city of North Bend's urban growth area is also served.
16	The association's water rights for its three wells are not sufficient to
17	support all of the growth projected to occur in the future assuming existing

18	patterns of water use. Of concern is the total annual quantity of water
19	allowed to be withdrawn under the rights. This quantity will likely be
20	reached in approximately 2005. The association will need to acquire
21	additional water rights or additional sources of supply to meet future
22	demand or else go into moratorium.
23	To address the water rights problem, the association is pursuing several
24	additional supply options, including additional ground water rights,
25	connection to the city of Seattle's Cedar river source at the Masonry pool,
26	and development of and connection to other potential supplies.
27	The Sallal Water Association provides water service to portions of
28	unincorporated King County. Under K.C.C. chapter 13.24, the county
29	may require an update plan or documentation whenever conditions for
30	water availability have changed significantly within a water utility service
31	area. K.C.C. chapter 13.24 further requires that water utilities promptly
32	notify King County of any significant changes affecting service provision.
33	The association has done an exemplary job of designing and implementing
34	a rate structure to encourage water conservation. The association's water
35	rates for high-volume users are among the highest in the county and send a
36	clear price signal to customers engaged in excessive irrigation, while
37	remaining very affordable for those practicing conservation.
38	The plan contains a capital improvement program valued at approximately
39	two million dollars and includes the costs of an additional water source,
40	water treatment, and distribution system improvements.

41	The King County utilities technical review committee (UTRC) reviewed
42	and conditionally approved the plan on March 13, 2002. The conditions
43	of approval, technical changes to the plan, are reflected in the plan version
44	attached to this ordinance. The UTRC recommends that the council
45	approve the plan.
46	A determination of nonsignificance for the plan was adopted on May 17,
47	2002, in accordance with the state Environmental Policy Act. The
48	association intends to adopt the plan after county and state approval.
49	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
50	SECTION 1. The Sallal Water Association 2001 Comprehensive Water System
51	Plan, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved, so long as the Sallal Water
52	Association updates the utilities technical review committee by the end of September

2003 on the status of efforts to secure new water rights and supplies to meet growth
 projected in the adopted King County Comprehensive Plan.

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Ordinance 14477 was introduced on 7/22/2002 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/23/2002, by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Pullen, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Irons No: 0

Excused: 3 - Mr. Constantine, Ms. Hague and Ms. Patterson

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ATTEST:

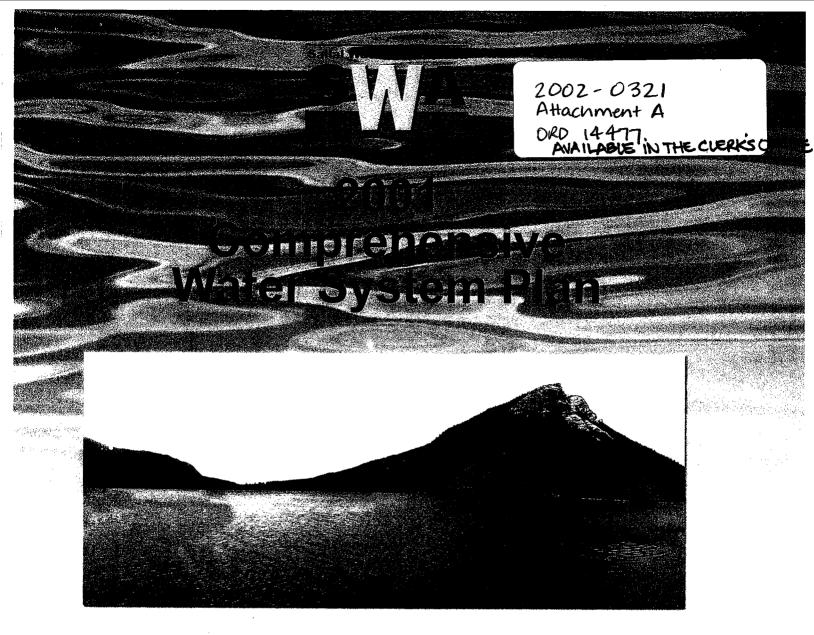
Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this <u>day of</u> day of <u>Utabli</u>

Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments

A. Sallal Water Association 2001 Comprehensive Water System Plan, Sallal Water Association 2001 Comprehensive Water System Plan Appendices



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## 2001 Comprehensive Water System Plan

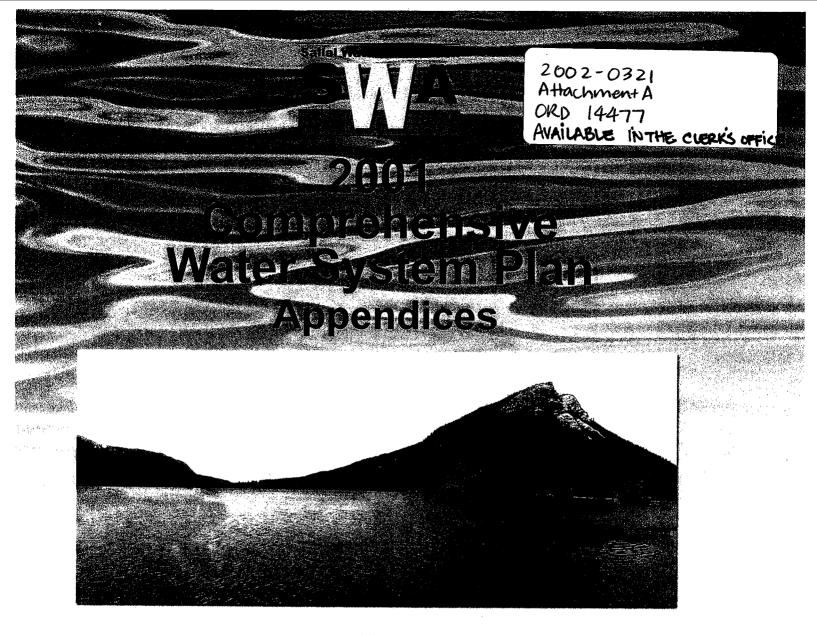
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