

KING COUNTY CONSERVATION FUTURES
CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

June 28, 2018

The Honorable Joe McDermott
Chair, King County Council
516 Third Avenue, Suite 1200
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Council Chair McDermott,

On behalf of the King County Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee, enclosed for your review is our annual recommendation report for the allocation of fiscal year 2019 King County Conservation Futures and King County Parks Levy open space acquisition funds.

The Committee received requests for 40 projects: 15 projects located within cities and 25 projects located within unincorporated King County. There were \$20.3 million in requests for \$12.4 million in available CFT funds. There were \$12.0 million in requests for \$7.6 million in available King County Parks Levy funds.

This year's funding recommendations include projects in cities and in the unincorporated urban areas which help bring green relief, provide trail opportunity, preserve environmental health, and help us meet equity and social justice goals for underserved urban neighborhoods. The unincorporated area projects protect salmon and wildlife habitat, natural areas, forest and farm resources, and passive recreation opportunities for residents from throughout the King County.

I invite you to see the enclosed report for highlights and detailed descriptions of each of the Committee's recommendations for individual projects. A table on the last two pages provides a summary of our funding recommendations. If you have any questions or comments, please let me know and I will be happy to discuss them with you or your staff. I may be reached by phone at (425) 788-2304 (home), or (206) 940-4553 (cell) or by e-mail at tlavender2@frontier.com and CFCAC3@kingcounty.gov.

We would again like to thank you for giving us the chance to contribute to this important work for our region, and for your consideration of our recommendations.

Sincerely Yours,



Terry Lavender, Chair
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