



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the Snoqualmie Pass Utility District Water Plan,
May 2013.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. King County has adopted K.C.C. chapter 13.24, which requires approval of comprehensive plans for water utilities that distribute or obtain water in unincorporated King County as a prerequisite for operating in unincorporated King County, receiving approval for annexation proposals, being granted right-of-way franchises, and being given approval for right-of-way construction permits. K.C.C. 13.24.060 prescribes the requirements for approval of such plans, including consistency with state and local planning requirements.
2. RCW 57.16.010 requires that general comprehensive plans by special purpose districts be submitted to, and be approved by, the legislative authority within whose boundaries all or a portion of a utility lies.
3. The Snoqualmie Pass utility district's previous water system plan was prepared in 2003. Both Washington state Department of Health ("the DOH") and King County regulations require water system plans to be updated every six years.
4. The Snoqualmie Pass utility district's service area is within King County and the Snoqualmie Pass utility district ("the district") has adopted a water system plan ("the plan").
5. King County has adopted a Comprehensive Plan that includes water supply policies in its provisions for facilities and services (policies F-101 through F-254) that call for consistency

with other adopted plans, support for regional water supply planning, pursuit of reclaimed water, water conservation and protection of water resources.

6. K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires the utilities technical review committee ("UTRC") to review and make a recommendation to the King County executive and council on the plan and the requirements under K.C.C. chapter 13.24 and consistency with the King County Comprehensive Plan. The UTRC has reviewed the planning data and district operations and has found:

- a. The plan uses population and employment forecasts developed by the Puget Sound Regional Council for the district's service area;
- b. Portions of the district's service area are in unincorporated King County;
- c. The capital facility plan is adequate to meet anticipated facility and service needs;
- d. The plan is consistent with applicable Washington state water quality laws; and
- e. The plan is consistent with other pertinent county adopted plans and policies.

7. The DOH plan approval is pending King County action.

8. Under the state Environmental Policy Act the district issued a Determination of Nonsignificance for the plan on April 1, 2011, and there were no appeals.

9. The district's operations and facilities meet multiple existing statutory, administrative and planning standards. As the district's operations, facilities, and planning meet the requirements of the King County Code and are consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan, the UTRC has recommended approval of the plan.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The Snoqualmie Pass Utility District Water Plan, May 2013, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved as a water system plan.