



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

RESOLUTION

SHORT TITLE: Support SCC supplemental budget requests

SPONSOR CD: Palouse

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 STATE AGENCY Governor's Office of Financial Management
- NRCS
- NACD
- NON-STATE/FEDERAL PARTNER _____

BACKGROUND/PROBLEM STATEMENT: Conservation districts, including Palouse CD, have seen a rising increase in demand for services from local landowners, partners, and stakeholders in recent years and securing additional funding to enable conservation districts to at least meet a portion of the rising demand has not been in step. Significant investments in the SCC and our state's 45 local conservation districts are needed right now to ensure our collective efforts to improve water quality, restore and protect habitat, meet the growing demand for services related to food security, and enhance soil and forest health are successful. The SCC has worked with conservation districts to prepare supplemental budget requests to fund conservation districts' work locally. Without adequate support from WACD and all conservation districts across the state, these budget packages may not be successful in securing funds from the Governor and legislature.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION LANGUAGE:

WACD will work closely with all conservation districts statewide, SCC and other partners, to fully support the SCC supplemental budget requests (including but not limited to CTA, RCPP, and SCC Staffing and Operations) through contacts with the Governor's Office of Financial Management and Legislators.



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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): Significant investments in the SCC and our state's 45 local conservation districts are needed right now to ensure our collective efforts to improve water quality, restore and protect habitat, meet the growing demand for services related to food security, and enhance soil and forest health are successful.