

48 Paul Gleason came to update the board on RCPP and is working closely with
49 Eric on to applications that have come in.

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51 **Staff Reports**

52 There were no staff reports.

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54 **Committee Reports**

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56 **Stillaguamish Clean Water District (CWD):**

57 Steve announced the new Chair – Dale Sheldon and the new Vice Chair – Herm
58 VanLier.

59 The CWD is re-writing the bi-laws to accommodate for the new district
60 assessment for better adaptability for the board.

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62 **Citizen Advisory Committee**

63 Mark discussed they will be renewing efforts. We need 3 new people and we are
64 losing Fred Solar as he is no longer able to participate.

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66 **Ag Board**

67 Bobbi was at part of the meeting, and both Jeff and Mark couldn't make it. Nick
68 Bratten from Forterra presented on TDR briefly, and Paul Ceregino from NOAA
69 discussed his efforts with fish and ag. He is working with SCD, Snohomish
70 County, PCC, and SLS. He is working with Bobbi and Linda in preparations for
71 Farmer Forums, to learn about barriers, needs, desires and the Snohomish
72 Basin.

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74 **Farm Bureau**

75 Faber farm is back to farmland. The Baily farm has sold their development rights.
76 The conservation district will have a booth at Leg Days, the FB and Cattlemen
77 were invited to join.

78 Zippy Duvall was elected as the new national president. Leg days is Feb 9th in
79 Olympia. SB6306 would raise fuel prices on the largest polluters, 8 cents per
80 gallon. SCFB provided \$1,000 for the Country Living Expo and Cattlemen's
81 Winter School. Norm Nunnally reported on the status of trash and efforts to build
82 a generating plant from 'burning' trash.

83 Ty Costa resigned as chairman and Norm Nunnally was appointed.

84 Judy Bartelheimer is contacting various schools for applicants for the FB
85 scholarship. They are still waiting on the judge's ruling for Smith Island.

86 David Steele was welcomed as a new board member.

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88 **WACD**

89 Mark updated on his trip to NACD. He said it was a very good meeting, all WA
90 resolutions passed with good support. There is a lot of movement with the Tribal
91 Task Force and there is funding (likely) and support to take it national. There are
92 some upcoming national trainings coming up.

93 District Legislative Days are February 22 and 23rd in Olympia. Monday being the
94 meeting and Tuesday everyone will meet with Jim Jesernig prior to heading to
95 the hill for the day.
96 Dave Vogel will be retiring in two weeks. Mark will be pulling together a list of
97 folks people can call for help until we get someone to fill the position.
98 The 2016 Annual Meeting will be much different, and re-vamped. Ryan Williams
99 needs to get approval to be on the PMC board since we already have Dwane
100 Weston on it from Snohomish County.

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102 **Policies**

103 There were no policies to discuss this meeting.

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105 **Building and Office Space**

106 Ryan discussed a building brought to us from the realtor. A church on 67th in
107 Marysville. It is 7,100 square feet (we're housed in about 5,000 right now). Gas
108 for heat, city sewer and water. Opportunities include: wetland demos,
109 workshops, outreach, gardens, interpretive areas, etc. There is an appraisal
110 done on the property but it is expired. Ryan was asked to see if there was an
111 inspection report, and to go ahead and check into what repairs, maintenance
112 and costs would be to make it useable for us - Specifically the roofs, heat and
113 other two buildings and overall infrastructure. The concern was not knowing what
114 the new landlords will do.

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116 **5-Year Plan**

117 There was no discussion this meeting.

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119 **Puget Sound Conservation District Caucus**

120 Shana announced the next meeting coming up at the Ecology building Feb 33 at
121 12:30. They have invited Peter Merchy from EPA's estuary program, and Julie
122 Howich from the Governors shellfish office. To discuss regional
123 reporting/appropriate performance items.

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125 **Washington Conservation Commission (WCC)**

126 The shellfish funding round was pulled on Feb 4th from CPDS. Shana will follow
127 up with staff at individual districts.
128 April 20-21 will be a long term budget meeting. The next Commission meeting is
129 in Colville which will be a ½ day strategy session and tour, and the meeting the
130 following day.

131 Some changes in election, good governance, schedule 22 and annual report.
132 Schedule 22 is due May 29th.

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134 Shana presented Steve VanValkenburg with his 5 year pin and certificate.

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136 **Snohomish County and Camano Island Assessment Updates**

137 Bobbi reported on the success of the rain barrel program on Camano and what
138 good work the outreach folks are doing on the Island.

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141 **Financial Reports**

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143 Karl Hereth moved for the payment of vouchers/warrants: #7223 - #7239 and
144 EFT's and checks totaling \$225,810.13. Steve VanValkenburg seconded,
145 passed unanimously.

146 Karl noted 3 outstanding invoices from November and ask that it be looked into.

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148 **Agreements and Contracts**

149 The contracts reviewed by the board and passed are:

150 Snohomish County Surface Water Management

151 MOU between Forterra and SCD for Faber Riverbend Farm

152 RCO Moga Back Channel Construction Project

153 Amendment #4 ILA between City of Everett, Snohomish County and SCD

154 Amendment #2 for the RCO Moga Back Channel Construction Project

155 Amendment #1 for the RCO Driscoll – Evans Tributary

156 Amendment #1 for the DOE Tychman Slough Riparian Enhancement project

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158 Karl Hereth moved, Steve VanValkenburg seconded. Passed unanimously.

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160 **Manager's Report**

161 Monte's report included much of the things already identified in the

162 WACD/Commission/PSCD reports. Other items included:

163 -Monte is in the middle of evaluating some of the stormwater NTAs as part of the
164 Stormwater Strategic Initiative Transition Team.

165 -Monte has been asked to participate on a group to develop the frame work for
166 the next PSP strategic plan. He did decline due to the time commitment, but
167 there is a lack for ag representation and he will operate as an advisory
168 component for ag.

169 -The Regional Conservation Partnership Program for the Sky and Lower
170 Snohomish is moving forward. The Commission, Puget Sound Resource
171 Alliance, and others are moving forward to develop criteria for the next round of
172 proposals. The District needs to consider a proposal for the Lower Stilly.

173 -Bobbi is working on potential updates to the Employee Handbook, and ag
174 producer engagement.

175 -Kate is working on regional opportunities with Better Ground and stormwater.

176 -Cindy is working on the implementation of several new grants and large existing
177 projects.

178 -In the near future, Monte will be working with program managers, Citizen
179 Advisory Committee, and the Board on the next biennium budget submittal
180 package for WACD/Commission. Must be developed prior to the Commission
181 meeting on April 20-21st.

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183 **Miscellaneous Reports and Set Next Meeting Date**

184 Bobbi discussed a training request brought by Cindy for Carrie. This is a 1 ½
185 year certification in AgroForestry course online. She would start June of 2016
186 and end August 2017. This could work into a regional program or opportunities to

187 contract with other Districts. The Board doing a 50/50 split to help accommodate
188 her ask. Karl moved and Steve VanValkenburg seconded. Unanimously passed.

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190 The next meeting was set for March 15th. Karl Hereth moved and Steve
191 VanValkenburg seconded, passed unanimously.

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193 Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 pm.

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196 **SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS**

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198 Karl Hereth moved to accept the January 19th, 2015 Board Meeting and the
199 January 25th Special Board meeting minutes as distributed. Steve
200 VanValkenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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202 Karl Hereth moved for the payment of vouchers/warrants: #7158-#7222 and
203 EFT's and checks totaling \$225,810.1, and to accept and approve the January
204 2015 Receipt Register, Check Register, and Treasurer's Report.. Steve
205 VanValkenburg seconded, passed unanimously.

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207 Karl Hereth moved to approve the contracts/inter-local agreements and MOU
208 with:

- 209 o Snohomish County Surface Water Management
- 210 o MOU between Forterra and SCD for Faber Riverbend Farm
- 211 o RCO Moga Back Channel Construction Project
- 212 o Amendment #4 ILA between City of Everett, Snohomish County and SCD
- 213 o Amendment #2 for the RCO Moga Back Channel Construction Project
- 214 o Amendment #1 for the RCO Driscoll – Evans Tributary
- 215 o Amendment #1 for the DOE Tychman Slough Riparian Enhancement
216 project

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218 Steve VanValkenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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220 Karl Hereth moved that the March 2016 Board Meeting be held on Tuesday,
221 March 15, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the District office, and that proper notice be
222 distributed to the public; and that the meeting be adjourned. Steve
223 VanValkenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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226 Chairman Steve VanValkenburg Date 3-15-2016

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228 Secretary Monte H. Mante Date 3-15-16
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