

# JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### **CONSENT AGENDA REQUEST**

TO:

**Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners** 

Mark McCauley, County Administrator

FROM:

Michael Dawson, Water Quality Manager

Tami Pokorny, Natural Resources Program Coordinator

DATE:

OCTOBER 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENT (2) re: Conservation Futures Citizen

Oversight Committee: District #3 – Laurie de Koch; Open Interest – Clint Cole

#### STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Public Health requests that County Commissioners appoint two new members to the Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee (CFCOC). Clint Cole is recommended to an initial 4-year term to represent Open Interest -- Anadromous Fish, and Laurie de Koch is recommended to fill an unexpired term ending March 29, 2025 and represent District #3.

#### ANALYSIS/STRATEGIC GOALS/PRO'S and CON'S:

We advertised three vacancies for the Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee (CFCOC) from August 14<sup>th</sup> to September 6<sup>th</sup>; one vacancy to represent District 3 and two vacancies to represent Open Interests. Mr. Cole and Ms. de Koch both responded to the ad prior the September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 deadline. On September 20<sup>th</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the program coordinator, clerk, and two committee members interviewed Ms. de Koch and Mr. Cole in person for this volunteer position.

Mr. Cole is a resident of District #3 living in Quilcene. He holds a bachelor's degree in Fisheries Sciences from the University of Alaska SE. He currently works in aquaculture for the US Fish and Wildlife Service. In his free time, he enjoys all things outdoors including fishing, hiking, hunting, camping, boating, and gathering.

Ms. de Koch is a local business owner and resident of District #3 living in Quilcene. She has an extensive background in non-profit management, formerly serving as founder and Executive Director of a Seattle-based music education program. In her free-time she enjoys hiking, camping, and gardening, and she is an avid reader and music listener.

The interview committee highly recommends Mr. Cole and Ms. de Koch to serve on the Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the county's General Fund for appointing Mr. Cole and Ms. de Koch to the CFFCOC.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Public Health requests that the County Commissioners appoint Clint Cole to an initial 4-year term which will expire on October 14, 2028 to represent Open Interest – Anadromous Fish, and Laurie de Koch to the unexpired position ending March 29, 2025 to represent District #3.

**REVIEWED BY:** 

Mark McCauley, County Administrator