

PRESS RELEASE

The Island County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants to fill or complete several positions on the Conservation Futures Citizens Advisory Board (CAB).

The Board of County Commissioners appoints CAB members for 3 year terms with no member serving more than two consecutive full terms unless deemed advantageous to do so by majority of CAB members and the Board of County Commissioners. Members must be county residents for at least one year prior to appointment and shall include one member from each incorporated area of Island County; one member from each of the unincorporated areas of Whidbey Island coincident with the school districts, i.e., South Whidbey, Coupeville and Oak Harbor; two members from Camano Island and one member representing the Island County Parks Board.

Positions being sought currently are for the three unincorporated areas of Whidbey coincident with the school districts, representatives from the City of Langley and the Town of Coupeville, and two members from Camano Island.

The CAB reviews and evaluates applications to acquire by purchase, gift, grant, bequest, devise, lease, or otherwise, except by eminent domain, the fee simple or any lesser property interest, development right, easement, covenant, or other contractual right necessary to protect, preserve, maintain, improve, restore, or limit the future use of, or otherwise conserve selected open space, wetlands, habitat areas, farm, agricultural, and timber lands for the public use and enjoyment and as one tool for salmon preservation purposes.

Interested individuals should provide a letter of interest and statement of qualifications by mail, email or FAX to: Island County Board of Commissioners, Attn: Ingrid Smith, Re: Conservation Futures Citizens Advisory Board Vacancy, Post Office Box 5000, Coupeville, WA 98239. The FAX number is (360) 679-7381 and email applications should be sent to ingrids@co.island.wa.us. Application materials should be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2009. For additional information please phone (360) 679-7353 or e-mail Ingrid Smith at the above address. Applicants must reside within the area they are representing. Please feel free to contact Ms. Smith for clarification.

*John Dean, Chairman
Board of Island County Commissioners*