



## King County Flood Control District 2023 Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund Application Packet

The King County Flood Control District (**District**) has allocated a portion of the Flood District's levy proceeds for a Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund. This fund is made available to jurisdictions throughout the District on a proportional basis, based on assessed valuation. Eligible activities include flood control and stormwater improvements, as well as watershed management activities such as habitat conservation.

### I. Opportunity Fund Allocation

The Opportunity Fund for the 2023 budget is estimated to be **\$6M**; however, the final amount of funding will be determined when the District's Board of Supervisors approves the 2023 levy amount for the District in November of this year. Table 1 shows the allocation of these funds among the 40 jurisdictions in King County as of June 2022. These allocations will be revised when the Board of Supervisors approves the 2023 Work Plan, also in November 2022. A jurisdiction can apply for one or more projects up to its allocated amount including any unused balance from prior years.

### II. Criteria for Eligible Projects and Activities

The Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund can be used for flood control, stormwater control, and cooperative watershed management projects. Salmon habitat protection projects must be linked to the construction of a flood or stormwater project as follows:

1. Flood control improvements may be extended, enlarged, acquired or constructed, provided a comprehensive plan of development for flood control has been developed and the improvement contributes to the objectives of that plan and the plan has been submitted to and approved by the Washington State Department of Ecology.
2. Stormwater control improvements may be extended, enlarged, acquired or constructed, provided a comprehensive plan for stormwater control has been prepared for the area and the improvement is consistent with the stormwater plan.
3. Watershed management projects identified in watershed management partnerships or other intergovernmental agreements for the purposes of water supply, water quality, and water resource and habitat protection and management. Projects in this category that consist of salmon habitat protection must demonstrate a link to flooding or stormwater projects. This third category includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - a. Watershed plans developed under chapter 90.82 RCW;
  - b. Salmon recovery plans developed under chapter 77.85 RCW;
  - c. Watershed management elements of comprehensive land use plans developed under the Growth Management Act under chapter 36.70A RCW;
  - d. Watershed management elements of shoreline master programs developed under the Shoreline Management Act, chapter 90.58 RCW;

- e. Nonpoint pollution action plans developed under the Puget Sound water quality management planning authorities of chapter 90.71 RCW and chapter 400-12 WAC;
- f. Other comprehensive management plans addressing watershed health at a Watershed Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) level or sub-WRIA basin level;
- g. Coordinated water system plans under chapter 70.116 RCW and similar regional plans for water supply; and
- h. Any combination of the foregoing plans in an integrated watershed management plan.

In Categories 1 and 2 above, construction improvements require the development of preliminary engineering studies and plans, and such studies and plans must be on file with the King County River and Floodplain Management Section, serving as a service provider to the District. For all projects, cost estimates and underlying data must be provided, and the benefit provided by the improvement must be described.

### III. **Approval Process**

Upon timely submittal of an application it will be reviewed for completeness and for meeting the eligibility criteria. Eligible projects will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for approval in November 2022.

### IV. **Timeline**

All projects must be completed **within two years** after their commencement date which is the starting date entered in the application. If a project will not be completed within the allowable timeframe, the jurisdiction can request an amendment for unforeseen reasons. Any remaining balance will be added to any unspent balance.

### V. **Advances, Reimbursement and Reportings**

A jurisdiction can request a 10 percent advance from its Opportunity Fund allocation. The request should be in the form of a letter that explicitly states the amount of funds being requested, which cannot exceed 10 percent of the jurisdiction's annual allocation. All remaining funds shall be issued on a reimbursement basis following a jurisdiction's submittal of an invoice.

Jurisdictions are required to provide the District with semiannual progress reports updating the status of projects, as well as a final report, which shall be provided within 90 days of project completion. **Semiannual progress reports are due by June 30 and December 31 of each year.**

### VI. **Options for Leveraging Opportunity Fund Dollars**

A jurisdiction has the option of accumulating funds over more than one year, allocating its Opportunity Fund balances to an existing project on the District's six-year Capital Improvement Project list, or using the Opportunity Fund as a match for either multi-jurisdictional projects or for grant opportunities pursued by that jurisdiction as long as the funds will be expended within two years after the commencement date of any project.

#### Multi-Jurisdictional Projects

As many flooding and drainage problems cross jurisdictional boundaries, jurisdictions are encouraged to consider partnering with each other to address shared stormwater and drainage problems. Doing so offers the opportunity to accomplish a larger scale project than may be possible if operating independently. For example, lakefront jurisdictions may consider combining funds to pursue a common objective, such as reducing the amount of stormwater runoff into urban lakes.

### Grant Matching Opportunities

The Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund can also serve as a match for other grants compatible with the criteria for eligible projects. Below are some statewide and local funding sources. Note that some programs may not be available in a given year. The links will access current information concerning these grant opportunities.

- The Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program  
<https://rco.wa.gov/grant/estuary-and-salmon-restoration-program/>.
- Salmon Recovery Funding Board  
<https://rco.wa.gov/grant/salmon-recovery/>.
- The Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program <https://rco.wa.gov/grant/washington-wildlife-and-recreation-program-habitat/>.
- Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account  
<https://rco.wa.gov/grant/aquatic-lands-enhancement-account/>.
- Ecology Water Quality Grants  
<https://ecology.wa.gov/About-us/How-we-operate/Grants-loans/Water-Quality-Cobined-Funding-Program>.

## **VII. Application Procedure and Instructions**

Each jurisdiction must complete the accompanying application form and return it no later than **October 7, 2022**. The application will expand beyond one page as text is entered into the response fields.

Save the document to your computer and fill out the form electronically, returning the electronic version of the completed application via email to the address listed below. Also, you are encouraged to contact King County to discuss project ideas prior to submitting your application. Should you have interest in discussing possible projects or if you have other questions or concerns about this application, please contact **Kim Harper at 206-477-6079** or **[Kim.harper@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Kim.harper@kingcounty.gov)**.

**If you are not proposing a new project for this year, complete the upper portion of page 1 of the application and return it as instructed above.**

**Table 1. Draft 2023 Allocations for the King County Flood Control District Sub-Regional Opportunity Fund**

*This allocation will be revised when the King County Flood Control District Board of Supervisors approves the 2023 Work Plan in November 2022.*

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Draft Allocation</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Draft Allocation</u>
Algona	\$10,000	Renton	\$199,696
Auburn	\$113,025	Sammamish	\$199,273
Beaux Arts	\$10,000	SeaTac	\$41,977
Bellevue	\$648,336	Seattle	\$2,249,881
Black Diamond	\$12,921	Shoreline	\$114,399
Bothell	\$63,867	Skykomish	\$10,000
Burien	\$77,398	Snoqualmie	\$31,184
Carnation	\$10,000	Tukwila	\$64,213
Clyde Hill	\$28,839	Woodinville	\$41,840
Covington	\$32,080	Yarrow Point	\$13,618
Des Moines	\$44,538	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,009,170</b>
Duvall	\$15,856		
Enumclaw	\$19,917		
Federal Way	\$122,811		
Hunts Point	\$11,448		
Issaquah	\$112,298		
Kenmore	\$51,535		
Kent	\$224,790		
King County	\$507,962		
Kirkland	\$310,341		
Lake Forest Park	\$33,922		
Maple Valley	\$48,051		
Medina	\$44,206		
Mercer Island	\$142,953		
Milton	\$10,000		
Newcastle	\$39,295		
Normandy Park	\$18,319		
North Bend	\$19,866		
Pacific	\$10,000		
Redmond	\$248,515		



4) Description of the flooding, stormwater, or linked watershed management problem that this project or activity will address (300 words maximum):

5) Description of how the proposed activity will address the problem outlined in Question #4, above (300 words maximum):

6) Describe how the proposed project or activity satisfies the eligibility criteria for at least one of the three categories listed in Section II of the Application Packet (Criteria for Eligible Projects and Activities) (300 words maximum):

7) Identify the management plan (i.e. flood control, stormwater control, or watershed management) that includes, recommends, supports, or is consistent with implementation of the project or activity (see Application Packet for more information):

**8. SCOPE ACTIVITIES AND TIMELINE**

TASK TITLE	RELATED ACTIVITY	OUTCOME OR DELIVERABLES	TIMELINE
Describe the products and means that will acknowledge the District for its financial contribution to this project:			

**9. PROJECT BUDGET**

ITEM	TOTAL COST	How was this cost calculated?	REQUEST (Amount to be paid by this fund)	MATCH	SOURCE OF MATCH
<b>TOTAL</b>					

**Please disregard below if you are applying for more than one project this year. The figures will be tabulated separately.**

ALLOCATION (from Table 1 in the Application Packet):

Difference between Allocation and Request (Note: This amount may not exceed the balance of allocated funds that you have selected to defer in prior years):

**For Informational Purposes Only:** If you plan to partner with other jurisdictions to conduct a project or otherwise intend to use your Opportunity Fund allocation to leverage grant funds or other surface water management funds, please provide us with this information (300 words only):

**SIGNATURE**

When signed below and adopted by the King County Flood Control District (District) Board of Supervisors, this Scope of Work is to be added to the Interlocal Agreement between the District and (applicant jurisdiction full name – e.g. the City of... --Please enter name) the and incorporated therein and made a part thereof according to the terms and conditions of this Interlocal Agreement.

**ACKNOWLEDGED,**

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

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<input type="checkbox"/> Project eligible and accepted	Date:
<input type="checkbox"/> Project ineligible	REASON: