

Irrigation Efficiency Policy Considerations for District Comment

Washington State



**Conservation
Commission**

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Commission Action Request
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IEGP Steering Committee



13 Conservation Districts





Staff Policy Recommendations To Engage with Districts:

- **Add** Hold Downs-recognition of consumptive use water savings
- **Add** CPDS application and contract
- **Add/Revise** eligibility language to reflect proviso—statewide
- **Add** public benefits for eligibility:
 - Water Quality
 - Farmland Protection
 - Drought Vulnerability
 - Flow Retiming



Staff Policy Recommendations To Engage with Districts:

- **Remove** the 5% rule
- **Remove** administrative functions of the program provided by Ecology
- **Remove** Target Stream Priority Protocol pilot
- **Remove** Project Eligibility Guidelines related to Water Acquisition Program
- **Remove** Period of Performance and any other redundant language covered under general SCC Grant Procedures



Staff Policy Recommendation

Staff to set up Subcommittees:

- Hold Down Revision
- Small Investment Program Tract



Recommended Motion:

Move to approve having staff engage the conservation districts in a 30-day comment period on the policy recommendations presented.



Thank you!

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