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King County Flood Control District approves reorganization

**Dunn reappointed as District Chair; Vice Chair, two new members
of Executive Committee appointed**

The King County Flood Control District completed its annual reorganization with the reappointment of Supervisor Reagan Dunn as Chair of the District's Board of Supervisors.

"Many communities in King County are greatly impacted by flooding and in turn aided by the work of the Flood Control District," said Dunn. "I am very grateful for the continued vote of confidence from my colleagues and look forward to working closely with impacted communities to find sustainable solutions to flooding issues throughout the King County."

At the board's March 3 meeting, a new Vice Chair of the District's Board of Supervisors was unanimously approved with the appointment of supervisor Larry Gossett.

"Flooding knows no jurisdictional boundaries," said Gossett, who represents the Madison Valley of Seattle, a known flood area. "Urban flooding can be as much of an issue as flooding in rural King County. This is why I am honored to serve as the Vice Chair of the King County Flood District."

Supervisors also appointed two new members to the Flood Control District Executive Committee, which is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Flood District and develops policy recommendations for consideration by the full Board. Supervisors Pete von Reichbauer and Dave Upthegrove will join Dunn, Gossett and Supervisor Kathy Lambert on the Executive Committee.

"As a Councilmember from South King County, I am honored to be nominated by my colleagues to serve on the Executive Committee of the King County Flood Control District Board of Supervisors," said von Reichbauer. "I look forward to working hard to improve flood protection for King County residents, especially my neighbors in South King County. Countless families and businesses depend on the

Flood District's work on infrastructure improvements and disaster planning, and I am proud to represent them."

"The economy in the Green River Valley depends upon flood protection," said Upthegrove. "I'm excited to be in a position to make sure we continue to be a safe and economically vibrant community."

The Flood District begins 2014 with being recognized by the federal government for protecting the lives and property of County residents. For the eighth consecutive year, the Flood District has earned King County the highest rating of any county in the United States under the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Community Rating System (CRS.) As of 2012, King County's high CRS rating saved flood insurance policyholders in unincorporated King County \$830,265, an average of \$578 per policy.

The Flood District has also received its fifth clean audit by the State and a recent report found that the KCFCD had one of the lowest administrative overheads compared to other comparable flood districts in the United States.

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The King County Flood Control District is a special purpose government created to provide funding and policy oversight for flood protection projects and programs in King County. The Flood Control District's Board is composed of the members of the King County Council. The Water and Land Resources Division of the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks develops and implements the approved flood protection projects and programs. Information is available at www.kingcountyfloodcontrol.org.