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## Executive Summary

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The Legislature authorized boards to assist Ecology with the backlog of water right change applications. The statute authorizes boards to process water right transfer applications and make records of decision on the proposed applications. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has final review authority of each record of decision made by a board, and must issue an administrative order to affirm, modify, or reverse the board's record of decision. Ecology must evaluate the records of decision for compliance with applicable water law. The administrative order issued by Ecology is appealable to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB).

Twenty-one boards currently exist throughout the state. Five of those boards are on the West side and 16 are on the East side of the state. Most boards were established between 1998 and 2001. While the establishment of new boards has slowed down, there are counties that continue to inquire about the options of creating a board.

The number of applications processed by any one board varies extensively. The backlog of water right change applications is not distributed evenly statewide, but generally related to specific regional areas. As a result, there are some areas where there is a higher likelihood of an applicant requesting that his or her application be processed by a board where one exists.

During the two-year period beginning November 1, 2000 and ending October 31, 2002, water conservancy boards have accepted 249 water right change applications to process. The boards have issued 105 records of decision, approving 100 and denying 5.

The Legislature significantly amended the water conservancy board statute, Chapter 90.80 RCW, in 2001 through Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1832. Among others, the following amendments were made to statute:

- Board composition requirements were added;
- The comment/intervenor process was changed;
- The potential for change to the structure, jurisdiction, and/or number of commissioners on a board was added;
- The scope of authority of boards was broadened;
- Technical assistance to boards was required;
- The conflict of interest process was detailed;
- Authority was given for counties to dissolve boards;
- Quorum requirements were added;
- Public Records Act responsibility was modified; and
- Ecology was required to post boards' records of decision on the Internet.

As a result of the amendments to the statute some sections of the rule became obsolete or partially ineffective. The rule amendments made the rule consistent with the amended statute and established clear procedures that Ecology, boards, applicants for water rights transfers, and counties are to follow to implement Chapter 90.80 RCW.

The primary amendments to the rule included:

- Details of the board restructuring process by counties;
- Definition of a water right holder and a non-water right holder;
- Clarification of the procedures for dual filing of applications with boards and Ecology;
- Definition of technical assistance to boards;
- Addition of provisions for withdrawal of a record of decision from Ecology back to a board;
- Definition of alternates to appointed board commissioners; and
- Standardization of some forms.

Each board is an independently funded entity pursuant to RCW 90.80.060(2). They provide for their own funding through grants and adopting fees for processing water right transfer applications. Board fees vary. Fees range from \$250 (Benton Co.) to \$1450 (Thurston Co.).

A board's success appears to be directly related to the financial support received through grants from the county or other entities. Many boards have few or no outside resources at all. These boards seem to struggle with completing the administrative tasks required of boards. Administrative tasks might involve a board to respond to public records requests, write legislative reports, respond to general correspondence, manage board funds, stay abreast of local governmental laws, and manage internal board operations.

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## **Introduction**

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The content of the report will cover the board activities, rule amendment adoption, and the applications reviewed by the board from November 1, 2000 through October 31, 2002.

## **Background**

Since the Legislature authorized the creation of boards through Chapter 90.80 RCW in 1997, there have been significant changes to the statute, the rule, and the number of boards established.

In 1998 Lewis and Benton Counties created the first two water conservancy boards. These two boards operated under a pilot (or draft) rule developed by Ecology. The boards then provided feedback to Ecology toward the adoption of a permanent rule. Chapter 173-153 WAC was subsequently adopted in November 1999. The number of established boards has continued to increase since 1999.

The Legislature significantly amended Chapter 90.80 RCW during the 2001 Legislative session. As a result parts of the rule became obsolete or partially ineffective.

Ecology's intent to amend the rule was published in the State Register in December 2001. Ecology adopted the rule amendments on December 9, 2002. It is expected to take effect 31 days after adoption on January 9, 2003.

### *Board purpose*

The Legislature authorized boards to assist Ecology with the backlog of water right change applications. The statute authorizes boards to process water right transfer applications and make records of decision on the proposed applications. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has final review authority of each record of decision made by a board, and must issue an administrative order to affirm, modify, or reverse the board's record of decision. Ecology must evaluate the records of decision for compliance with applicable water law. The administrative order issued by Ecology is appealable to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB).

RCW 90.80.050 identifies boards as a “public body corporate and politic and a separate unit of local government in the state.” In addition, RCW 90.80.060 provides that boards are an independently funded entity. Ecology does not review activities of a board that are not directly related to the development of a board's record of decision related to a water right change proposal. For instance Ecology has no direct authority to review whether a board has responded to public records requests or complied with the Open Public Meetings Act, as required by statute.

### *Reporting requirements*

RCW 90.80.150 requires a board to provide information regarding its activities to the department in preparation of this report. Boards are requested to provide this information on an annual basis. WAC 173-153-170 outlines the information a board is required to include in its report.

#### Water right transfer application data:

1. Information about applications to the board, to include:
  - a. The number of applications filed with the board, identified by water resources inventory area (WRIA);
  - b. The number of records of decision withdrawn from ecology by the board;
  - c. The number of records of decision approving or partially approving an application;
  - d. The number of records of decision denying an application;
  - e. The number of records of decision remanded back to the board from ecology;
  - f. The number of applications received by the board, distinguishing between requests to transfer surface water and ground water;
  - g. The number of applications to transfer a water right documented by a claim;
  - h. The number of applications to transfer a water right documented by a certificate;
  - i. The number of applications proposing transfer related to trust water;
  - j. The number of applications filed directly with the board, and the number transferred from ecology to the board; and
  - k. The number of hearings held within other counties other than the county or counties which established the board, when water rights were proposed to be transferred from one county to another.

#### Operational information about the boards:

2. Information about the operations of the board, to include:
  - a. The chair of the board;
  - b. The primary contact of the board;
  - c. The board address, phone, and/or email;
  - d. The board commissioner's names and their terms of office;
  - e. The regular meeting location, if any;
  - f. The regular meeting schedule, if any;
  - g. Any changes in membership of the board, including background and contact information for any new commissioners;
  - h. Current fees and changes to previously set fees;
  - i. Training received other than from ecology;
  - j. Ownership of property by the board;
  - k. Water marketing activities;
  - l. Number of staff employed by the board, and number of staff that provide volunteer service to the board; and
  - m. Any litigation in which the board is involved.

## **Rule amendments**

The Legislature significantly amended the water conservancy board statute in 2001 through Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1832. As a result of the amendments some sections of the rule became obsolete or partially ineffective. In May 2001, an operational guidance document was developed by Ecology as interim guidance to boards, counties, and interested parties. This guidance document provided a means to maintain consistent training of board commissioners until the rule was amended.

In December 2001 Ecology's announcement of its intention to amend the rule was published in the State Register. After working with board members and other entities to revise the initial draft proposal, the proposed rule was published in the State Register in September 2002. Ecology held three public hearings in September 2002 in Spokane, Ellensburg, and Lacey. Additional public involvement opportunities were provided through news releases, focus sheets and Internet postings soliciting the public's comments. A copy of the concise explanatory statement, which includes responses to all comments received, and an explanation regarding all changes made to the proposed rule, can be found at Ecology's website: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/wrhome.html>.

Ecology expects to file the rule for adoption on December 9, 2002. The rule will take effect 31 days later, on January 9, 2003.

### *Statutory changes*

Chapter 90.80 RCW was amended in 2001 to include a number of significant changes. Among others, the following amendments were made to statute:

- Board composition requirements were added;
- The comment/intervenor process was changed;
- The potential for change to the structure, jurisdiction, and/or number of commissioners on a board was added;
- The scope of authority of boards was broadened;
- Technical assistance to boards was required;
- The conflict of interest process was detailed;
- Authority was given for counties to dissolve boards;
- Quorum requirements were added;
- Public Records Act responsibility was modified; and
- Ecology was required to post boards' records of decision on the Internet.

### *Purpose of the rule*

The purpose of the rule amendments was to respond to the amendment of statute and to:

- Establish procedures that Ecology, boards, applicants, concerned agencies, and the public will follow in implementing Chapter 90.80 RCW, *Water Conservancy Boards*;
- Define terms used in statute;
- Assist counties with the process to create a board;
- Encourage boards' operational independence;

- Assist boards in maintaining operational consistency; and
- Outline state board reporting requirements.

*Why the amendments were necessary and who they affect*

The proposed rule amendments made the rule consistent with the amended statute and provided clear guidance to boards and the Ecology staff supporting them. The amendments established procedures that Ecology, boards, applicants for water rights transfers, and counties are to follow to implement Chapter 90.80 RCW.

The rule affects counties, which are authorized under Chapter 90.80 RCW to create boards, with final approval by the director of Ecology. Counties identify the geographical jurisdiction of the board and decide if the board will consist of either three or five commissioners, pursuant to Chapter 90.80 RCW. Counties are also authorized to appoint the board commissioners and may choose to dissolve a board in accordance with RCW 90.80.065. The rule amendment provided counties with procedures for implementing these actions.

This rule also affects Ecology and, of course, the boards. The director of Ecology can approve or deny the petition to create a board. In addition, Chapter 90.80 RCW authorizes Ecology to review the records of decision on proposed water right transfers made by boards. Ecology then issues a final order to affirm, modify, or reverse the record of decision. This order is appealable to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB). In addition, the department provides technical assistance, if requested by a board, as well as specific training for all board commissioners. The rule amendment provided Ecology staff with procedures and guidelines to follow when implementing these responsibilities.

Chapter 90.80 RCW authorizes boards to make records of decision on water right transfer applications. Ecology reviews each record of decision for compliance with applicable state water law. RCW 90.80.050 identifies boards as a "public body corporate and politic and a separate unit of local government." Each board is responsible for its own internal operations and is required to function under certain operational statutes such as the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and the Public Records Act, Chapter 42.17 RCW. The rule amendments provide boards with guidance for accepting, investigating, and making decisions on water right transfer applications.

*Key amendments to the rule*

The primary amendments to the rule included:

- Details of the board restructuring process by counties;
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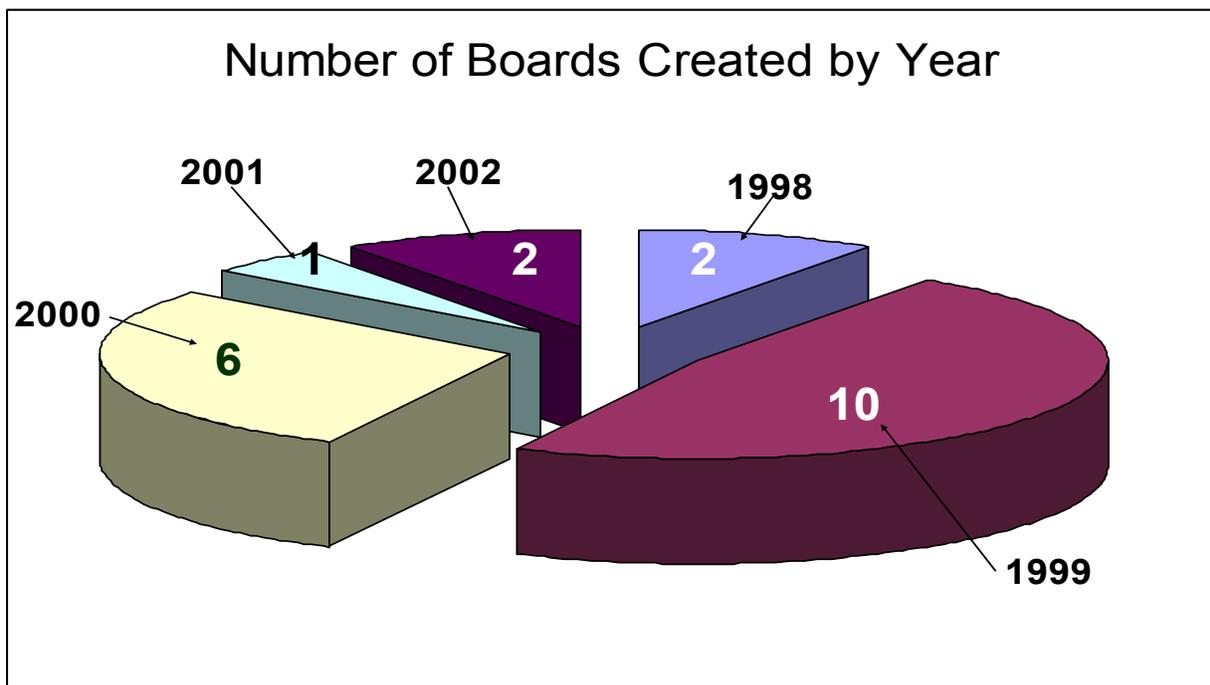
## Status of boards

Twenty-one boards currently exist throughout the state. Five of those boards are on the West side and 16 are on the East side of the state. Most boards were established between 1998 and 2001. While the establishment of new boards has slowed down, there are counties that continue to inquire about the options of creating a board. (See map on page 7 for the location of all existing boards.)

Three counties established boards between November 1, 2000 and October 31, 2002. These counties are Island, Mason, and Stevens Counties.

All 21 boards are trained and operational as of November 15, 2002. The following list identifies existing boards by the date each board was approved to begin operating.

Benton – July 10, 1998	Whatcom – December 7, 1999
Lewis – July 10, 1998	Douglas – March 30, 2000
Franklin – June 9, 1999	Spokane – May 5, 2000
Klickitat – July 1, 1999	Okanogan – May 12, 2000
Yakima – July 12, 1999	Ferry – May 19, 2000
Grant – September 14, 1999	Whitman – July 26, 2000
Walla Walla – October 5, 1999	Kittitas – October 16, 2000
Adams – October 12, 1999	Island – August 6, 2001
Thurston – November 17, 1999	Stevens – January 25, 2002
Chelan – November 23, 1999	Mason – September 4, 2002
Lincoln – November 23, 1999	



### *Board composition and jurisdiction*

According to the original statute passed in 1997, all boards were composed of three commissioners appointed by the county for staggered six-year terms. The geographical jurisdiction of a board was limited to processing water right transfer applications within the county.

The statutory amendments passed by the Legislature in 2001 provided that boards could be composed of three or five commissioners. County legislative authorities could also decide if a board's geographical jurisdiction would be within a single county, multi-counties, a water resource inventory area (WRIA) or multi-WRIAs.

County legislative authorities that choose to create a board with a geographical jurisdiction crossing county boundaries must jointly work together to establish the board. A lead county must be designated to provide a single point of contact to communicate with Ecology. The counties must jointly appoint board commissioners for a newly established board and to fill vacancies as they occur.

### *Restructuring boards*

Boards were originally created by counties through a public process and approved by Ecology as three-member, single-county boards. As mentioned above, the amended statute provided that counties could change the geographic jurisdiction of an existing board to be a single county, WRIA, multi-county or multi-WRIA. A county could also change the number of board commissioners from three to five, or from five to three.

Although the statute indicates the structure of boards may be established as mentioned above, it does not address how a county may restructure an existing board. However, it became an operational necessity to provide a means for counties to implement amendments to the statute. A process for restructuring a board was formalized in rule this past year.

Since the statute was amended in 2001, several counties have chosen to restructure their board from three to five members. Counties that have chosen to do so are Klickitat, Lewis, Okanogan, Thurston, and Whitman.

As of the date of this report, Ecology has not received any request to establish or restructure a board with jurisdiction in more than one county or to establish a board based upon WRIA boundaries.



### *Board commissioner turnover*

Board commissioners are appointed to six year terms. However, upon the creation of a board the initial terms of three member boards are staggered two, four, and six years. Five member boards include initial three and five year terms staggered with the other commissioners' terms. At the end of those terms each commissioner can be reappointed to the board for six years or may choose to resign from service.

As commissioners who were appointed to the initial two-year terms find their terms expiring, some are choosing to resign. A few have resigned prior to their terms expiring. The reasons for resignation vary such as moving from the area of jurisdiction, caring for a sick relative, personal illness, or finding they no longer have the time to commit to the board. There has been at least one resignation due to differing opinions regarding the board's internal operations.

### *Water right holder and non-water right holder requirement*

One challenge that has faced at least three counties is filling a vacancy on a board with the required water right holder or non-water right holder. RCW 90.80.050(2) requires that "... at least one commissioner is an individual water right holder who diverts or withdraws water for use within the area served by the board." It goes on to say that at least one person must be appointed "who is not a water right holder."

Both requirements have provided counties with some difficulty. One county took several months to fill the board's vacancy with a "non-water right holder." Another rural county, upon creating a board, found difficulty finding a "water right holder." One board in particular struggled with this issue. It restructured to five members in order to retain the incumbent on the board and also satisfy the need for a non-water right holder. However, due to additional internal board issues, the board found it difficult to produce a quorum of commissioners qualified to make water right change decisions. This board found itself unable to make any progress for about four months until the new board commissioners were trained.

### **New board commissioner training**

Before a board commissioner can participate in decisions regarding a water right transfer application, he or she must receive a minimum of 32 hours of training sponsored by Ecology. The training includes hydrology, water law, water policy, administrative and judicial case law developments, field practices, evaluation of existing water rights, and practical experience working on water right transfer applications. The commissioners are also offered additional information and resources on topics such as SEPA, tribal issues, Open Public Meetings Act, and Public Records Act.

The trend in training new board commissioners is evolving as existing boards become more established and fewer new boards are created. As boards have restructured to five members and turnover has occurred, training one or two commissioners from a board as opposed to an entire board is becoming the norm. When training a new board the focus of the training is specific to the jurisdictional area of the board and issues unique to that area. The trainings have evolved to include board commissioners from five or six counties on the East and West side of the state at

the same time. As a result, the materials and curriculum have been adapted and continue to evolve to meet the need of covering all topics as they relate statewide rather than to a specific region or county. For example, hydrogeology can change dramatically from county to county. However, rather than focusing on the hydrology of one area, the focus now is to provide a more general understanding of hydrogeology as it relates to processing water right change applications.

Generally, training for new commissioners is offered twice annually, in the spring and fall. Since November 2000 through October 31, 2002, nine 32-hour new commissioner trainings have been facilitated by Ecology:

February 26-March 2, 2001 – Republic  
April 10-13, 2001 – Spokane  
June 19-22, 2001 – Yakima  
August 21-24, 2001 – Spokane  
August 28-32, 2001 – Bellingham

April 9-12, 2002 – Chewelah  
April 16-19, 2002 - Lacey  
April 22-26, 2002 – Yakima  
September 10-13, 2002 - Spokane

From November 1, 2000 through October 31, 2002 we have trained:

- Seven newly established boards
- Forty-seven new board commissioners and administrative support staff to the boards. This is more than half of the approximately 90 board commissioners and staff who have served to date.

Mason County Water Conservancy Board was established in September of 2002 and trained November 5-8, 2002, after the completion of this reporting period. The board has not met as of the date of this report. This data will be included in a future report.

### **Continuing education**

Water conservancy board commissioners are required by rule to participate in a minimum of eight hours of continuing education each year. The commissioners have flexibility in the training they can receive, but it must be approved by Ecology in order to receive credit for the training. The training may include readings, seminars, conferences, field experiences, or classes covering subjects that directly relate to their work on the board. Commissioners are encouraged to report to Ecology any and all relevant training they receive beyond the minimum requirements.

Ecology sponsors periodic continuing education training for board commissioners. In the past two years three continuing education trainings have been offered.

1. January 25, 2001 – An 8-hour all board training was held in Yakima. The purpose of this training was to:

- Provide boards with updates on legislative issues and current litigation relating to water right changes and the water conservancy board;
- Discuss development of forms for board use;
- Provide roundtable for boards to discuss and share best practices; and
- Receive feedback from boards on their needs.

2. December 5 and 6, 2001 – A 12-hour all board training was held in Ellensburg. The purpose of this training was to:
  - Provide boards with updates on the upcoming legislative session;
  - Discuss changes to Chapter 90.80 RCW and the effect on board activities;
  - Update them on new court decisions that may affect their work on water right change applications;
  - Provide a panel discussion led by a watershed planning group, Colville Confederated Tribes, and the Center for Environmental Law and Policy (CELP). Unfortunately CELP was unable to attend due to inclement weather; and
  - Provide roundtable for boards to discuss and share best practices.
  - Discuss and receive feedback from Ecology staff regarding communication between the boards and Ecology. This portion was facilitated by an outside consultant.
  
3. February 7, 2002 – An 8-hour training on the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA), Chapter 42.30 RCW and the Public Records Act (PRA), Chapter 42.17 RCW. This training was facilitated by an assistant attorney general from the Ecology Division of the Attorney General’s Office. This training was offered in response to requests from boards. The purpose of the training was to:
  - Provide general information regarding the OPMA and PRA;
  - Provide boards the opportunity to have questions and concerns addressed related to the topic; and
  - Provide materials and references on OPMA and PRA.

### **Technical assistance to boards**

Upon request by a board, Ecology is required to provide technical assistance to the requesting board. Ecology staff will meet with a board depending on the availability of staff. Boards and Ecology staff continue to work towards balancing Ecology’s assistance to boards while recognizing a board’s status as an independent unit of local government. Ecology recognizes the board’s need for guidance but also seeks to allow board autonomy as is reasonably possible.

Each Ecology regional office has assigned individual staff to provide assistance to each board. The regional staff provide technical guidance regarding water right change application processing generally as a board reviews and investigates an application, and as the board develops its draft record of decision. The statewide water conservancy board coordinator is available to all boards to coordinate, facilitate, and provide ongoing training and technical assistance regarding board processes.

Ecology has met on frequent occasions with most boards. Assistance has been provided to board commissioners through one-on-one meetings, by invitation to board meetings, phone conversations, and written communication.

## **Board activities**

### *Getting established*

Once a board is created by the county, it generally takes an initial period to make operational decisions. Organizing a board can include adopting bylaws, deciding meeting time, locating meeting facilities, establishing a board address and contact information, and adopting fees. The board must also determine if it will require administrative support and office space, how it will manage its funds, or how it will communicate with various entities and the public.

Board commissioners are volunteers and serve without compensation. Many commissioners bring resources with them that they provide for the board's use. Such resources may include office space, computers and software, a board address, and professional contacts such as an attorney that may donate time to the board. These resources are usually lost when the board commissioner who provided them resigns.

One concern for some boards is how to publicize the fact that they have been established. Some boards have chosen to write an informational document about their board to provide to the public. An example is provided in appendix C. One board requested information regarding all applicants within their jurisdiction and then proceeded to contact each one. Most have relied on the meeting notices in local papers and local television media to provide information to the public.

### *Board meetings*

Boards must operate under the Open Public Meetings Act. All of their meetings are open to the general public.

Boards generally meet once per month. A list of published meeting times and locations for each board is listed in appendix B. The times have also been included on Ecology's Internet site at [http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/conservancy\\_boards/cb-home.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/conservancy_boards/cb-home.html).

### *Water right transfer exchange*

RCW 90.80.055(1)(c) provides that boards may establish a water right transfer information exchange through which all or part of a water right may be listed for sale or lease. The board may also accept and post notices in the exchange from persons interested in acquiring or leasing water rights.

Three counties currently maintain a water right transfer information exchange. Those counties are Adams, Benton, and Walla Walla.

### *Differences between boards and Ecology operations*

Although both the boards and Ecology process water right transfer applications, it is important to remember that the board's process may differ from Ecology's process. The table below offers some comparisons:

Boards	Ecology
1. May accept or decline to process an application submitted to the board.	1. Must process all applications submitted to the department.
2. Boards make records of decision reviewed by Ecology.	2. Ecology issues administrative orders based on board decisions appealable to the PCHB.
3. All decisions by boards must be made at an open public meeting.	3. Ecology does not make water right decisions at open public meetings.
4. Board commissioners are volunteers that must operate on their own “free” time.	4. Ecology staff are assigned to investigate application proposals as part of their work.
5. Boards must generate their own funds in order to obtain the equipment and support needed to process water right transfer applications.	5. Ecology staff are provided the tools and support needed to process water right transfer applications.
6. The board statute says the boards must publish the public notice. (It is suggested the boards get applicant approval.)	6. Ecology has the applicant publish the public notice.
7. Board fees for processing water right change applications are set by boards.	7. Ecology fees for processing water right change applications are set by statute.
8. Boards assign a number to the water right change application that is unique to each board.	8. Ecology assigns a number to the water right change application based on the database (WRATS).

### *Litigation*

The Center for Environmental Law and Policy (CELP) filed lawsuits against two boards and the related counties for alleged violations of the Public Records Act, Chapter 42.17 RCW.

Adams County Water Conservancy Board settled out of court. Terms of the settlement included a payment of \$5,000, production of the documents that the board had earlier failed to disclose, and the board’s promise to fully comply with state law in the future.

A case filed against Lincoln County and the Lincoln County Water Conservancy Board is currently under litigation. No other information is available at this time.

### *Contacting boards*

Each board is required to provide a primary contact name, address, phone number, and, if available, an email address. The board must also update that information with the water conservancy board coordinator as changes occur. The primary contact list is now maintained on Ecology’s website at [http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/conservancy\\_boards/WCBsPCR.pdf](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/conservancy_boards/WCBsPCR.pdf). A copy of the current list is included in appendix A.

### *Support staff*

Some boards have hired staff to assist them. A number of boards have contracted with the local conservation district office, others with private entities or individuals that provide this type of support. The assistance ranges from administrative help, such as fee collection, responding to public records request, and copying and mailing services, to coordination of the board, including providing the board with an address and acting as the primary contact for the board.

Some boards have ongoing grants from their county that assist boards in obtaining the help they need. Boards with limited resources and administrative support have expressed some of the obstacles they face in terms of time commitment and resources.

### *Water right change applications processed*

For the purposes of this report, the data for this section will generally cover the period of November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002. More detailed information regarding water right transfer applications for the period November 1, 2000 through October 31, 2001 can be found in the 2001 Report to the Legislature, *Processing Applications for Changes to Water Rights: Ecology and Water Conservancy Boards*, publication no. 02-11-001. A copy of this report is available at Ecology's website at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/biblio/0211001>. A summary of the applications for water right changes processed by the boards during this period is found in appendix D and referred to later in this section of the report.

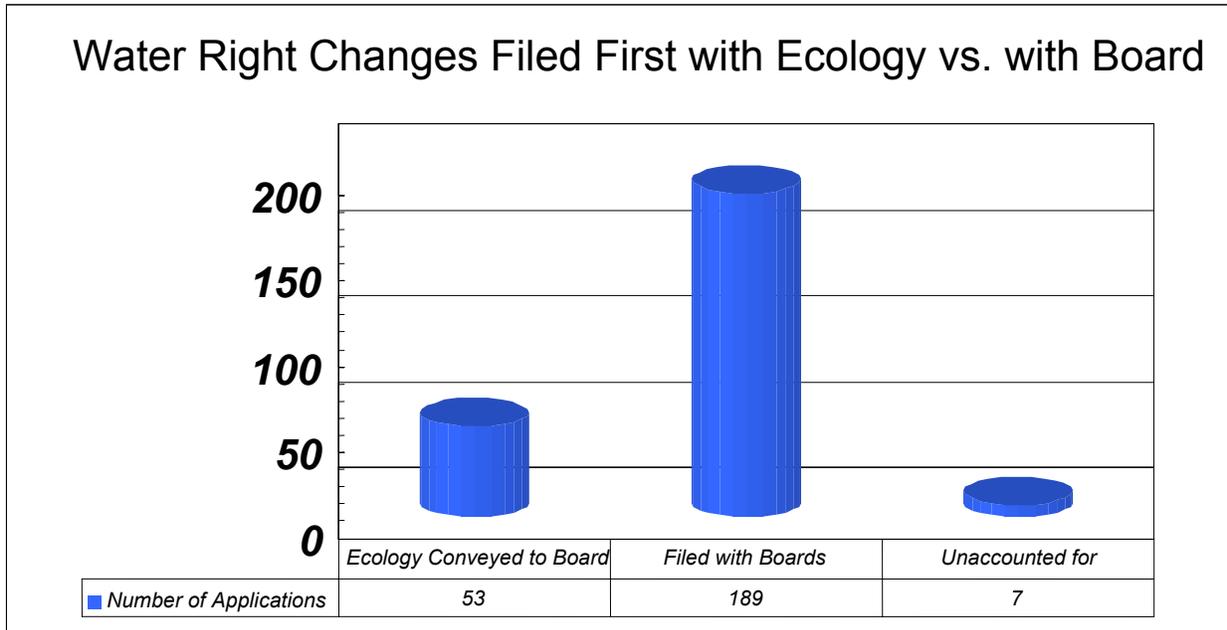
For additional information regarding the processing of water right change and transfer applications during 2002 please see Ecology 2002 Report to the Legislature, *Progress in Making Water Rights Decisions*.

The number of applications processed by any one board varies extensively. The backlog of water right change applications is not distributed evenly statewide, but generally related to specific regional areas. As a result, there are some areas where there is a higher likelihood of an applicant requesting that his or her application be processed by a board where one exists.

During the past year November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002, water conservancy boards have accepted 117 water right change applications for processing. They have issued 60 records of decision, all of which were approved or partially approved. There were no denials. Twenty applications submitted to boards for processing were subsequently withdrawn by the applicant resulting in no decision by the board. These numbers are included in the 117 applications accepted by boards. Eighty-nine proposed transfers related to ground water, 40 to surface water, and six were surface to ground or ground to surface water transfers.

Within the entire two-year period November 1, 2000 through October 31, 2002, water conservancy boards have accepted 249 water right change applications to process. The boards have issued 105 records of decision, approving 100 and denying 5. The table on page 15 provides a summary of all water right change applications processed by water conservancy boards during this period.

Of the 249 water right change applications processed by boards, 53 were conveyed to the board by Ecology and 189 were filed directly with the board, 7 are not accounted for in the reports from the boards. Based on these numbers, it appears that the boards are providing assistance in processing applications already in line at Ecology. However, it also appears that the boards are processing a greater number of applications that would otherwise be added to the backlog of applications which Ecology is working to reduce. It is possible that certain applicants delayed applying or did not apply at all to Ecology because of the backlog. It is uncertain how many of the applications directly filed with boards would have been submitted to Ecology had a board not existed.



The quality of the records of decision has improved as boards have become more established and experienced. Although the total number of applications accepted by boards has slightly declined this past year, boards have issued a greater number of records of decision over those in 2000-2001. One reason for this might be that boards have become more aware of the need to be somewhat selective during their initial review of an application and in their decision whether to accept an application for processing. Some have indicated they would prefer to send an applicant to Ecology if there is doubt about the ability for the board to approve a water right transfer proposal.

A process for a board to formally withdraw a record of decision from Ecology was formalized in rule this past year. This process provides a board with an opportunity to make minor corrections to a record of decision that might otherwise result in the need for Ecology to reverse the decision. It also provides a means to safeguard the applicant from the possibility of having to start the application process over due to minor oversights and errors. This is a board process requiring a formal board decision at an open public meeting.

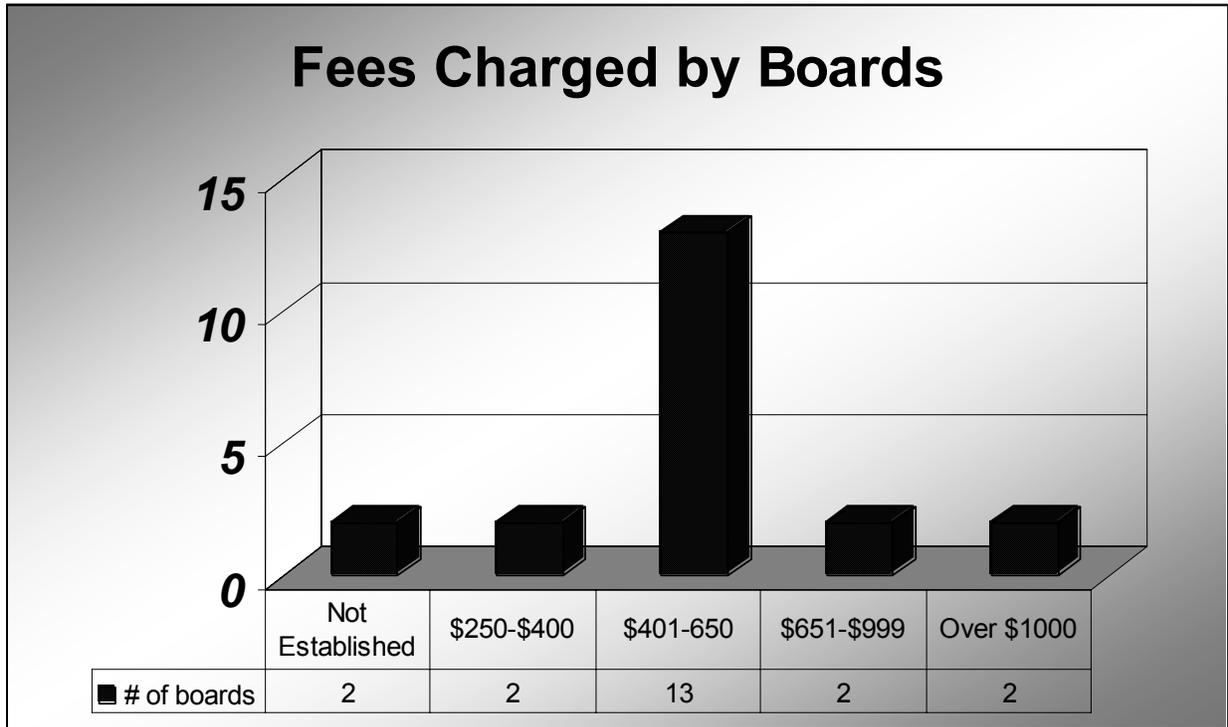
Summary of Water Right Change Application Processing  
November 1, 2000 – October 31, 2002

Board	Total apps accepted by Boards	Records of Decision				
		Approved/ Partially Approved	Denied	Remanded	Withdrawn from Ecy	Appealed
Adams Established 10/12/99	19	4	0	0	0	2
Benton Established 07/10/98	25	19	0	0	0	3
Chelan Established 11/23/99	24	12	0	0	0	1
Douglas Established 03/30/00	22	5	0	0	0	0
Ferry Established 05/19/00	0	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin Established 06/09/99	27	14	0	0	2	0
Grant Established 09/14/99	23	7	1	0	2	1
Island Established 08/06/01	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kittitas Established 10/16/00	12	3	0	0	0	0
Klickitat Established 07/01/99	15	9	1	0	0	0
Lewis Established 07/10/98	7	2	0	0	0	0
Lincoln Established 11/23/99	1	4*	0	0	1	1
Mason Established 09/04/02	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okanogan Established 05/12/00	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spokane Established 05/05/00	5	3	0	0	1	0
Stevens Established 01/25/02	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thurston Established 11/17/99	7	7	2	0	1	1
Walla Walla Established 10/05/99	13	3	1	0	0	0
Whatcom Established 12/07/99	1	0	0	0	0	0
Whitman Established 07/26/00	4	1	0	0	0	0
Yakima Established 07/12/99	42	7	0	0	0	3
Totals	249	100	5	0	7	12

\*These numbers reflect decisions made on applications accepted by the board in the previous reporting period.

## Funding

Each board is an independently funded entity pursuant to RCW 90.80.060(2). They provide for their own funding through grants and adopting fees for processing water right transfer applications. The funds can be used to fund activities of the board. See appendix A for fees adopted by each board.



Board fees vary. Fees range from \$250 (Benton Co.) to \$1450 (Thurston Co.) The boards must take a number of items into consideration when setting fees.

- What the local economy and population can afford;
- The cost of operating (overhead) including meeting space, mail services, supplies, correspondence, or equipment;
- Costs directly associated with a water right transfer application such as public notice publication, copying costs, or responding to public information requests;
- The need for errors and omissions insurance;
- Potential travel costs associated with training;
- Support provided by outside resources such as counties, conservation districts, attorneys, or other entities; and
- The number of water right change applications pending within the geographical jurisdiction of the board.

### *Board success*

Generally, boards have shown they can and are processing water right change applications successfully. A board's success appears to be directly related to the financial support received through grants from the county or other entities. It is also related to the administrative help some boards receive. Several boards contract with the local conservation district or other entity to provide this help. Some boards receive assistance gratis from attorneys or other consultants.

Many boards have few or no outside resources at all. These boards seem to struggle with completing the administrative tasks required of boards. Administrative tasks include responding to public records requests, writing legislative reports, responding to general correspondence, managing board funds, staying abreast of local governmental laws, and managing internal board operations.

The struggle for revenue becomes more difficult as some boards perceive they are in “competition” with Ecology for applications. Ecology is processing water right change applications to reduce the backlog as mandated by Chapter 7, Laws of 2001. However, most of the operating funds for boards are generated from fees collected for processing applications. As Ecology has increased the number of water right change applications processed, some boards have become increasingly apprehensive about their opportunities to generate enough funds to continue operating.

### **Summary**

Ecology remains committed to ensure the success of boards. In the past two years water conservancy boards have successfully processed 249 water right transfer applications. Boards and Ecology continue to make every effort to work together to accomplish the processing of water right change applications. Boards are encouraged to request assistance from Ecology and Ecology works hard to provide the help the boards need. Most boards are appreciative of the cooperative working relationship that has been established between themselves and Ecology.

Boards have experienced some “growing pains.” Board commissioners continue to learn and understand exactly what role they play in relation to various entities and the general public. The lawsuits against two boards and their respective counties have provided important reminders to all boards of their operational responsibilities beyond making water right change decisions. Many continue to seek the balance of operating as a separate unit of local government and the need for assistance from counties and Ecology.

Board commissioners continue with a number of challenges as they strive to improve upon their successes. Some boards have been disappointed by the lack of applications submitted to them for processing; others maintain a steady work flow. Boards with limited funding resources appear to face more obstacles as they manage their work. Generally, boards are increasingly successful and Ecology expects they will continue to evolve and improve as they become more established and experienced with their work.



## **Appendices**

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## Appendix A

### Primary Contact List

#### Adams Co. Water Conservancy Board

Board Address c/o Adams Co. Conservation District  
402 E. Main  
Ritzville WA 99169

Phone/email (509) 659-3236 or jowadagr@agritel.net

Primary Contact Dale Galbreath, Chair  
Gary De Vore, Administrative Support  
*E-mail* adamcd@ritzcom.net

#### Benton Co. Water Conservancy Board

Board Address 3030 W. Clearwater, Suite 205-A  
Kennewick WA 99336

Phone/email (509) 783-1623 or dolsenecon@aolcom

Primary Contact Darryll Olsen, Chair

#### Chelan Co. Water Conservancy Board

Board Address c/o Chelan County Planning Dept.  
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Wenatchee, WA 98801

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Primary Contact Don Phelps, Chair  
*Cell Phone:* (509) 421-6308

#### Douglas Co. Water Conservancy Board

Board Address P.O. Box 608  
Waterville WA 98858

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Primary Contact Carol Cowling, Administrative Support  
*Fax Number:* (509) 745-8121

#### Ferry Co. Water Conservancy Board

Board Address 639 Kettle River Road  
Curlew, WA 99118

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Primary Contact Patrick Hamilton, Chair  
*Fax Number:* (509) 779-4278

### **Franklin Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address 1620 Road 44 N.  
Pasco, WA 99301

Phone/email (509) 545-8546 x 3 (Mark Nielson) or(509) 547-9751 (Henry Johnson)  
henrycja@aol.com

Primary Contact Henry Johnson, Chair  
*Fax Number:*(509) 545-5859; *Cell Phone:* (509) 735-1473  
Mark Neilson, Administrative Support

### **Grant Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address P.O. Box 880  
3508 Broadway Extended NE  
Moses Lake, WA 98837

Phone/email (509) 765-8864 or gcwcb@bentonrea.com

Primary Contact Robert Rolfness, Bd Commissioner  
*Work Phone:* (509) 765-4721  
*Fax Number:* (509) 766-7277  
*Cell Phone:* (509) 750-7589

### **Island Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address P.O. Box 5000  
Coupeville, WA 98239

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(360) 387-0680 or res0t6c3@verizon.net

Primary Contact Bill Attwater, Board Chair  
Larry Bach, Board Commissioner

### **Kittitas Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address 411 North Ruby, Suite 2  
Ellensburg, WA 98926

Phone/email (509) 574-2650 or sylvia.cervantes@co.yakima.wa.us

Primary Contact Sylvia Cervantes, Administrative Support

### **Klickitat Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address Klickitat Co. Planning Dept.  
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Goldendale, WA 98620

Phone/email (509) 894-4773 or dicb@mercerr.com

Primary Contact Richard Beightol, Chair

### **Lewis Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address P.O. Box 1345  
Chehalis WA 98532

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Primary Contact Chris Cheney, Chair

### **Lincoln Co. Water Conservancy Board**

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Primary Contact Keith Schafer, Chair  
E-mail keithrsc@aol.com  
Work Phone: (509) 988-0206

### **Mason Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address Not established at this time

Phone/email Not established at this time

Primary Contact Not established at this time

### **Okanogan Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address Okanogan Planning & Development  
123 5th Ave N. Suite 130  
Okanogan, WA 98840

Phone/email (509) 422-7160 or skil0007@co.okanogan.wa.us

Primary Contact Don Skillingstad, Assistant to the Board  
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### **Spokane Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address P.O. Box 13496  
Spokane, WA 99213-3496

Phone/email (509) 926-0159 or djrider@concentric.net

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### **Stevens Co. Water Conservancy Board**

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Kettle Falls, WA 99141

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(509) 935-4060 (Linda Kiefer)

Primary Contact Bill Swartz, Chair  
Linda Kiefer, Alternate Bd Commissioner

### **Thurston Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address 606 Columbia Street NW, Suite 104  
Olympia WA 98501

Phone/email (360) 943-5079, ext 206 or delphi7852@aol.com

Primary Contact Nick Adams, Chair  
*Fax Number:* (360) 943-5685  
*Cell Phone:* (360) 791-3265

### **Walla Walla Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address P.O. Box 1506  
Walla Walla WA 99362

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*Fax Number:* (509) 565-9964  
*Cell Phone:* (509) 531-1813

### **Whatcom Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address 600 Lakeway Drive  
Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone/email (360) 676-6749 or mohebke@dshs.wa.gov

Primary Contact Kathy Mohebki, Board Coordinator  
*Fax Number:* (360) 738-2451

### **Whitman Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address Whitman Co. Court House  
404 North Main  
Colfax WA 99111

Phone/email (509) 397-6200 or lgearhart@hotmail.com

Primary Contact Lynne Gearhart, Chair

### **Yakima Co. Water Conservancy Board**

Board Address 2301 Fruitvale Boulevard  
Yakima WA 98901

Phone/email (509) 574-2650 or sylvia.cervantes@co.yakima.wa.us

Primary Contact Sylvia E. Cervantes, Administrative Support  
*Fax Number:* (509) 574-2651

## Appendix B

### Board Operational Data

Board Name	Meeting Time	Meeting Location	Fees	Hired Staff	Water Right Info Exchange
Adams Co.	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 7 p.m. (Except July)	402 E. Main Ritzville, WA 99169	\$500 per application	1 p/t conservation district employee	Yes
Benton Co.	As needed	Kennewick, WA	\$250 per application	Several attorneys paid/donated time; public information officer	Yes
Chelan Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month	Chelan Co. Planning Dept. 411 Washington St. Wenatchee, WA 98801	\$1000 fee to cover expenses plus 25% for indirect costs, unused balance refunded	Clerical support from Chelan Co. Water Resources Dept.	No
Douglas Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month	Waterville City Hall 104 E. Locust Waterville, WA	\$600, plus public notice costs; additional fees may be charged	1 Administrative Support	No
Ferry Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each quarter @ 5 p.m. except July at 7 p.m.	Ferry Conservation Dist Mtg Room 84 E. Delaware Republic, WA 99116	\$50 non refundable appl fee; additional \$200 plus public notice costs	Clerical assistance from Clerk for the Ferry Co. Board of Commissioners	No
Franklin Co.	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month	USDA-Ag. Service Center 1620 Road 44 Pasco, WA	\$650 per applic with up to two permits; \$650 per permit thereafter	1 Conservation district employee	No
Grant Co.	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday each month, 10 a.m.; work sessions most Thursdays at 9 a.m.	Lad Irrigation Conference Rm 3508 Broadway Extended NE Moses Lake, WA 98837	\$500: \$100 filing fee + \$400 processing fee	One paid p/t office assistant	No
Island Co.	None	Island County Hearing Room	\$750; \$100 up front, non-refundable	Island Co. Health Department	No
Kittitas Co.	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, 10 a.m.	Commissioner's Auditorium County Courthouse 205 West Fifth Ellensburg	\$100 non-refundable for submittal; \$500 acceptance fee	1 administrative support	No

<b>Board Name</b>	<b>Meeting Time</b>	<b>Meeting Location</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Hired Staff</b>	<b>Water Right Info Exchange</b>
Klickitat Co.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m.	Klickitat County Courthouse	\$500	1 contract staff 1 volunteer from Klickitat Co. Planning Dept.	No
Lewis Co.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, 7 p.m.	1554 Bishop Rd. Chehalis, WA USDA Public meeting room	\$500	1 p/t hourly as needed	No
Lincoln Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, 9 a.m.	Lincoln County Courthouse Legislative conference room	\$500 per application	None	No
Mason Co.	Not established at this time	411 No. 5 <sup>th</sup> St. Bldg 1 Shelton, WA 98584	Not established at this time	Not established at this time	No
Okanogan Co.	Not established at this time	Not established at this time	Not established at this time	Okanogan Co. Planning and Development Staff	No
Spokane Co.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m.	Modern Electric Water Co. 904 N. Pines Rd. Spokane, WA	\$100 application fee; \$400 processing fee	None	No
Stevens Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from 5-7 p.m., unless otherwise posted.	Stevens Co. Conservation District	\$500 base fee, plus costs	None	No
Thurston Co.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month except holidays	Percival Plaza Conference Room 626 Columbia St., NW Suite 1-1F Olympia, WA	\$1450 per application (up from previous costs)	None	No
Walla Walla Co.	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month	Walla Walla County Courthouse	\$500	Clerk of the Co. Commissioners Office	Yes
Whatcom Co.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month as necessary	Northwest Regional Council Office 600 Lakeway Drive Bellingham, WA 98225	\$150 application fee; \$600 processing fee plus any additional costs	Contract w/ Northwest Regional Council and Whatcom Co. for staff support	No
Whitman Co.	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.	Whitman Co. Commissioners Conference Rm., Colfax, WA	\$300 application fee; \$300 for processing	Clerk of the County Commissioner's office	No
Yakima Co.	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month	Del Kary City Public Works Conf. Rm 2301 Fruitvale Blvd Yakima, WA	\$100 non-refundable application fee; \$500 acceptance fee	P/T clerk	No

## Island County, Washington

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE BOARD

#### **What is the Island County Water Conservancy Board?**

The Island County Water Conservancy Board is an independent unit of local government created by Resolutions C-83-01, C-84-01 and C-96-01 of the Board of Island County Commissioners. The Water Board may accept and process applications to change or transfer a water right under Sections 90.03.380, 90.03.390 and 99.44.100 Revised Code Washington. These statutes authorize a process through which a water right holder may modify an existing water right or, in some instances, a ground water permit. This includes applications for change or transfer necessary to establish trust water rights.

#### **Why was the Water Board created?**

Due to a large backlog of applications for water rights changes and transfers at the Department Of Ecology, the Board of Island County Commissioners recognized the need for a local water conservancy board to expedite the administrative process for reviewing applications and rendering decisions. A local water conservancy board would also convey greater operational control of Water Resource Management issues to Island County water managers and water rights holders. Voluntary water right transfers between water users can reallocate water use in a manner that will result in more efficient management of water resources; it can reduce water shortages, save capital outlays, and reduce development costs; and will provide an incentive for investment in water conservation efforts by water rights holders.

#### **Who serves on the Water Board?**

The Water Board consists of three commissioners appointed by the Board of Island County Commissioners. At least one commissioner must be an individual water right holder who diverts water for beneficial use within Island County, and at least one Water Board commissioner must be a non-water right holder. All three current commissioners have engineering backgrounds and extensive experience in water resource management.

#### **How does the Water Board operate?**

The Water Board is subject to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW. The board must conduct its business through open public meetings, including notice of meetings, keeping minutes and records of deliberations, discussions, considerations, reviews, evaluations and final decisions of the commissioners. The public is allowed to attend any board meeting and to review the board's public records.

#### **What water rights may be changed or transferred by the Water Board?**

The Water Board may change or transfer water rights that have been perfected and are documented by a state- issued water right certificate or permit. In addition, the board may change a ground water well location (point of withdrawal) or the manner or place of use of a ground water right that has not been perfected. The authority to change ground water rights does not include water rights that are exempt from permit by Section 90.44.050 RCW. A water right change or transfer cannot enlarge the existing water right.

*The transfers the Water Board may process include temporary and permanent changes to the point of diversion or withdrawal of water, the place of use, and the purpose of use.*

#### **What is the general process for changing or transferring a water right?**

The process entails filing of an application to change or transfer a water right by a water right holder. After the board accepts the application at an open public meeting and the appropriate fees are paid, the Water Board transmits a copy of the application to the Department of Ecology, who assigns an application number. The application then becomes a part of the state's water right record. The board publishes a public notice of the application and invites comments to be submitted. Additionally, protests to the application can be filed with Ecology. Protests are forwarded to the Water Board so that the board can consider all concerns and comments.

Following a thorough review of the facts, if the majority of the Water Board commissioners determines that the application is complete and the transfer is in accordance with applicable Washington State law, the board issues a Record Of Decision approving the transfer, subject to review by the director of Ecology. The Record Of Decision formally conveys the board's approval for change or transfer. However, the board's Record Of Decision is not final and does not authorize the applicant to make the change or transfer until it is also approved, or approval is waived, by the director of Ecology.

### **What are general considerations for change?**

There are three general areas of consideration prior to approving a change or transfer of a water right. First, it must be determined that a water right eligible for change or transfer exists. Also, the extent of the water right is defined. Secondly, the change or transfer of a water right cannot impair the rights of others. Third, the change or transfer cannot be detrimental to the public interest. These three areas of investigation result in inquiries unique to the application and are very fact specific.

### **How does a water right holder make application for a water transfer?**

Application for water right changes and transfers is made on a form provided by the Department of Ecology. The form, and instructions for filling it out, may be obtained by calling the Water Board during county working hours. The completed application must contain sufficient information to establish to the board's satisfaction that a right to the quantity of water being transferred exists, and a description of any applicable limitation on the right to use water, including the point of diversion or withdrawal, place of use, source of supply, purpose of use, quantity of use permitted, time of use, period of use, and the place of storage.

### **What does it cost to submit an application to the Water Board?**

There are fees associated with the filing of an application to change or transfer a water right. Department of Ecology requires a non-refundable application fee of \$10.00 pursuant to Section 90.03.470 RCW. Additionally, a non-refundable application review fee of \$100 is collected at the time an application is received by the Water Board. If the application is later accepted for processing by the Water Board, an additional application processing fee of \$650 is collected to process the application and render a Record of Decision. If the cost of processing the application and rendering the Record Of Decision is less than \$650, the unused portion of the \$650 fee is returned to the applicant. If the cost of processing the application and rendering the Record Of Decision is more than \$650, the additional fees over \$650 are collected from the applicant before the Record of Decision is released to the Department of Ecology.

### **What are the application fees used for?**

The application fees are used for the administrative costs of operating the board. These costs include, but are not limited to, document preparation and reproduction, publishing public notices, travel reimbursement, office equipment, office space, meeting space, insurance, and payments for staff support contracted, volunteered, or offered through the county. Water Board commissioners serve without compensation.

### **Can the Water Board decide not to accept an application for processing?**

Yes, the Water Board is not required by law to process an application. If the board decides not to process an application, it must return the application to the applicant and inform him/her that the application may be re-filed with Ecology. The board is also required to provide an explanation to Ecology

as to why the board decided not to process the application. The same procedure is followed if the board first accepts the application for processing and later determines that it cannot complete the processing or render a final decision.

**How can responsibility for processing an application previously filed with Ecology be transferred to the Water Board?**

Any person who previously filed an application with the Department of Ecology may make a request of the Water Board to process the application. The applicant should obtain a copy of the application and consult with the board to ensure that the board has the interest and the current capacity to process the application. The board, if it elects to process the application, will request the complete file from Ecology.

Appendix D

**Water Conservancy Board  
Summary of Water Right Change Application Processing  
November 1, 2000 to October 31, 2001**

Board	Total Applications Filed With Boards	Board Approved RODs	Board Denied RODs	Total Board RODs	Board RODs Appealed	Filed first with		Ground Water	Surface Water	Claims	Certificates	Comments
						Ecology	WCB					
Adams Established 10/12/99	19	2	0	2	2	6	13	13	0	0	19	
Benton Established 07/10/98	9*	10*	0*	10*	2*	No Report	No Report	10*	7*	2*	2*	*Data modified from that supplied by the board to reflect applications processed 11/1/00 through 10/31/01.
Chelan Established 11/23/99	13	2*	0	2	1	1	12	2	11	11	2	One application withdrawn at applicant request
Douglas Established 03/30/00	7	1	0	1	0	3	4	4	3	4	3	Fees do not include public notice costs.
Ferry Established 05/19/00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Franklin Established 06/09/99	13	5	0	5	0	0	13*	13*	0	0	13*	*Of the 13 applications submitted, 4 were withdrawn by applicant.
Grant Established 09/14/99	19	4	1	5	0	0	19	19	0	0	19	
Island Established 08/06/01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kittitas Established 10/16/00	9	0	0	0	0	2	7	1	8	2	7	
Klickitat Established	10*	6	1	7	0	0	10*	10	0	1*	9	*Board declined to process 1 of 10 applications.

Board	Total Applications Filed With Boards	Board Approved RODs	Board Denied RODs	Total Board RODs	Board RODs Appealed	Filed first with		Ground Water	Surface Water	Claims	Certificates	Comments
						Ecology	WCB					
07/01/99												
Lewis Established 07/10/98	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Lincoln Established 11/23/99	No Report	No Report	No Report	No Report	1	No Report	No Report	No Report	No Report	No Report	No Report	
Okanogan Established 05/12/00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Board approved by Ecology on 5/12/00. As of December 19, 2001 members have not been appointed. No report filed.
Spokane Established 05/05/00	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	2	
Thurston Established 11/17/99	5	4	2	6	1	0	5	5	0	0	0	
Walla Walla Established 10/05/99	3	1	1	2	0	0	3	1	2	0	3	
Whatcom Established 12/07/99	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Whitman Established 07/26/00	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	
Yakima Established 07/12/99	21*	5	0	5	3	0	21	21	0	0	19	The Board has received 21 applications. Out of the 21, 5 decisions have been made, 3 are in process, and 13 have been placed on hold by applicant.
Totals	132	40	5	45	10	14	109	102	32	20	100	

**Appendix E**

**Water Conservancy Board  
Summary of Water Right Change Application Processing  
November 1, 2001 to October 31, 2002**

Board	Applications filed first with		Total apps accepted by Boards	Application withdrawn by applicant	Proposed transfers relating to:			Declined to process (after accepted)	Records of Decision				
	Ecology	Board			Ground water	Surface water	Surf to Grd or Grd to Surf		Approved/ Partially Approved	Denied	Remanded	Withdrawn from Ecy	Appealed
Adams Established 10/12/99	0	0	0	2	17	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Benton Established 07/10/98	0	16	16	0	9	7	2	0	9	0	0	0	1
Chelan Established 11/23/99	0	11	11	2	1	9	2	0	10	0	0	0	0
Douglas Established 03/30/00	1	14	15	0	8	7	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
Ferry Established 05/19/00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin Established 06/09/99	1	13	14	5	13	1	0	0	9	0	0	2	0
Grant Established 09/14/99	4	0	4	2	4	0	0	7	3	0	0	2	1
Island Established 08/06/01	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kittitas Established 10/16/00	0	3	3	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Klickitat Established 07/01/99	3	2	5	1	0	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	0

Board	Applications filed first with		Total apps accepted by Boards	Application withdrawn by applicant	Proposed transfers relating to:			Declined to process (after accepted)	Records of Decision				
	Ecology	Board			Ground water	Surface water	Surf to Grd or Grd to Surf		Approved/ Partially Approved	Denied	Remanded	Withdrawn from Ecy	Appealed
Lewis Established 07/10/98	1	6	7	2	7	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Lincoln Established 11/23/99	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0
Mason Established 09/04/02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okanogan Established 05/12/00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spokane Established 05/05/00	2	1	3	0	3	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	0
Stevens Established 01/25/02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thurston Established 11/17/99	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0
Walla Walla Established 10/05/99	0	10	10	0	4	6	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Whatcom Established 12/07/99	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whitman Established 07/26/00	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Yakima Established 07/12/99	21	0	21	0	17	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	80	117	20	89	40	6	9	60	0	0	7	2

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**Adams Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Adams Co. Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	October 12, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Adams County Conservation District 402 E. Main Ritzville, WA 99169 (509) 659-3236 and/or (email)		
<b>Board members</b>	Dale Galbreath, Chair Dennis E. Swinger, Sr., Member Doug Muscott, Member , Member , Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		11/15/05 11/15/03 11/15/07  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Dale Galbreath, Board Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	Orman Johnson New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Doug Muscott New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	812 S. Mockingbird Ct. Othello, WA 99344	(509) 488-5264
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 7 p.m. (Except July)		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	402 E. Main, Ritzville, WA 99169		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$500 per application	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	CELP Settled in August 2002		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	Bookshelf and office supplies		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	1 part time conservation district employee		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	0
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>0 (sum of all applications filed)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	2
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	17
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	16
<b>water right claims</b>	1
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	1
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>
WRIA 34	Palouse
WRIA 41	Lower Crab
WRIA 36	Esquatzel Coulee
WRIA 43	Upper Crab
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	2
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>2 (sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

## ***Benton County Water Conservancy Board Status Report—October 2002***

**Transmittal:** E-Mail/Postal

**DATE:** October 28, 2002

**TO:** Mr. Tom Fitzsimmons, Director, WADOE  
Ms. Janet Carlson, WADOE, Olympia Office

Reps. Kelli Linville, Bruce Chandler, and Jerome Delvin  
Sens. Jim Honeyford, Pat Hale, Bob Morton, and Mike Hewitt

Board of Benton County Commissioners

**FROM:** Darryll Olsen, Ph.D.  
Chairman, Benton County Water Conservancy Board  
509-783-1623, FAX 509-735-3140

**SUBJECT:** Status Report For Benton County Water Conservancy Board

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The following information provides a status report on the activities of the Benton County Water Conservancy Board (Water Board) for operations commencing in the fall of 1998 through October 2002. This information is provided to the WADOE to meet its reporting requirements to the Washington State legislature and to inform the Benton County Commissioners.

### **BACKGROUND AND OPERATIONS**

#### **The Benton County Water Conservancy Board (Water Board):**

The Water Board membership is as follows:

- %o Darryll Olsen, Ph.D., Regional Planner/Resource Economist, The Pacific Northwest Project, Kennewick, WA (Chairman); land owner with/and without water rights.
- %o John Jaksch, Ph.D., Resource Economist, Pacific Northwest Laboratory, Richland, WA (Vice-Chairman); land owner served by irrigation district water rights.
- %o Matt Berg, B.A., Agricultural Economics, Berg Farms, Prosser, WA (Treasurer); land owner and holder of water rights.

#### **Water Board Training and Related Activities:**

The Water Board members have participated regularly in or received:

- %o Training workshops held by the WADOE (1998 and 1999), whenever invitations are extended to water conservancy board members (Olsen, Jaksch, Berg).
- %o Training workshop held jointly by WADOE and BCWCB (fall 1999) (Olsen, Jaksch, Berg).

- ‰ All Boards Workshop and Training (2000 and 2002) (Olsen, Jaksch, and Berg).
- ‰ Participation in drafting 2000 and 2001 legislative changes for water conservancy boards, including legislative hearing testimony (Olsen, Berg, Jaksch); participation in rule-making review, 2002 (Olsen).
- ‰ Water Law and Policy Seminars, 1999-2001 (for example, CLE and AWWA seminars) (Olsen).
- ‰ Review of all WADOE updates and court cases distributed to the Water Boards by WADOE (Olsen, Berg, Jaksch).
- ‰ Participation in professional and business associations that are active in state and federal water management policy (Olsen, Berg).

### **Water Board Fees/Funding:**

The Water Board reviews potential applications for transfers/changes and formally accepts appropriate applications (applications that meet the minimum standards for review) for review and processing. When accepted for review, the Water Board charges a fee of \$250 per application. The fee is used principally to cover public notice and related notification costs. The Water Board has met the information requests from all third parties consistent with existing state agency standards.

The Water Board has only received one complaint about information distribution and that related to providing too much information.

Third parties requesting copies of applications under review and final record of decisions (RODs) are charged copying fees.

The Water Board has received small grants from the Benton County Commission (\$1,000 and \$5,000), and a small grant from the Benton Rural Electric Association (\$1,500). The grants were provided to support initial start-up activities and to support Water Board participation in and review of state legal issues affecting Water Board operations.

### **Water Board Staff:**

The Water Board retains a public information officer to be the contact point for third-party inquiries and to distribute to third-parties copies of requested materials.

The Water Board has received the services of several local attorneys (paid and donated time) for issues related to state-wide water policy issues.

The Benton County Commission has made available a public record site for public access to applications under review, RODs, and meeting minutes.

### **Water Board Water Marketing Activities:**

The Water Board has published locally--several times--a general "Markets for Water" notification, for those parties interested in buying or selling water rights. The Water Board attempts to facilitate such transactions whenever possible. The Water Board has received several inquiries about water available for transfer and referred such inquiries to appropriate parties. The Water Board has reviewed several applications involving water market transfers/changes.

The Water Board also has assisted a potential transfer/change applicant in preparing a water right transfer for temporary trust water right status under WADOE administration (application by Mr. Paul Bernsen). The Water Board became involved, because the applicant may decide to transfer some portion or the trust water to parties within Benton County.

#### **Water Board Review Standards for Transfers/Changes Applications:**

The Water Board performs an extensive level of review, including: verifying the existing water right, determining the extent of beneficial use, review of potential impairments and consistency with public interest under the law, and providing operational conditions to ensure that use is consistent with existing laws for water well construction, metering of water use, as well as other water use requirements.

To be more specific, the current review level by the Water Board exceeds previous standards set by the WADOE. The Water Board has reviewed numerous transfers/changes applications and associated "Findings of Fact" approved by WADOE prior to 1998, and few, if any, match the level of detail now contained within the Record of Decisions (ROD) prepared by the Benton County Water Conservancy Board.

#### **Public Access/Comments to Water Board Review of Applications:**

The opportunity for public access to or comments on water right transfers/changes reviewed before the Water Board is substantial; and the Water Board review process actually expands opportunities for public comment beyond the protocol conducted solely by the WADOE.

The Water Board provides for public notice of transfer/change applications formally received, they distribute copies of applications to parties requesting notice of all application reviews (including several state agencies and tribes), and they receive formal comments submitted to them by any party. All comments, if any are received, become part of the formal record of decision (ROD).

To date, the BCWCB has only received one set of comments from any third party during an application review, and these comments came from an individual who was actually using water without an appropriate water right issued by the state.

#### **BCWCB Meeting Agendas and Minutes:**

The agendas for the BCWCB meetings are fixed, with the same topics covered each meeting. Agendas are distributed at each meeting for all meeting participants. The agendas include:

- ‰ Meeting call to order and approval of previous meeting minutes.
- ‰ Financial report from the treasurer.
- ‰ Application update and review (receipt of new applications, review of draft RODs, approval of requests and RODS).
- ‰ Special Topics (if any).
- ‰ Future meeting schedules.
- ‰ Public comment.
- ‰ Meeting adjournment.

All BCWCB meetings, and general workshops, are open to the public with meeting dates published in the local paper, and third parties are notified upon request. Meeting minutes are available to any party upon request and are filed at the County's public file site. Meeting minutes are not recorded for informal work meetings where no decisions are made (such meetings usually deal with very specific technical issues, where such information is eventually included within the Report of Examination/Record of Decision).

**Water Board Public Hearings, Litigation Actions, and Legislation:**

The applications reviewed and record of decisions (RODs) prepared by the Water Board have not required public hearings, consistent with RCW 90.80 and agency rules. Any written comments received from any party concerning a specific application have been noted within the ROD. The Water Board would be conducting a public hearing on a transfers/changes application, where it involves an inter-county transfer/change.

The Water Board has directly participated in the past litigation surrounding general water conservancy board authority, as an amicus.

The Water Board has indirectly participated within one stipulated settlement agreement between WADOE and an applicant (Benton County).

The Water Board participated in the 2001 legislative actions involving the authority of Water Conservancy Boards.

The Water Board is named as a witness for ongoing litigation before the PCHB related to the West Richland change/transfer ROD (rejected by WADOE) with a private party (PCHB hearing scheduled for December 2002).

**STATUS OF APPLICATION REVIEWS AND ROE/RODS**

**Status of Water Right Transfers/Changes Under BCWCB Review:**

The BCWCB has reviewed numerous applications for water right transfers/changes, affecting water right claims, permits, and certificates; the nature and status of which are summarized below and in the attached WADOE Form.

**Record of Decisions Approved by Water Board Prior to 11/2001:**

- %o Kennewick Hospital District and Boudier Orchards, groundwater transfer/change request for place of use, inchoate groundwater permit change request, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.
- %o WA State Dept. of Natural Resources, groundwater transfer/change request for place of use, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.
- %o Kiona Vineyards (Holmes), groundwater transfer/change request for water-spreading with water application efficiency improvements, request approved by BCWCB (certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.

- %o Stimson-Lane, Columbia Crest Vineyards, groundwater transfer/change request for change of place of use, seasonal change, and purpose, request approved by BCWCB (certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Benton County and Barker Ranches, surface water (Yakima River) claim transfer/change request for change of place of use, seasonal change, and purpose, request approved by BCWCD; request denied by WADOE but with stipulated settlement agreement upholding the Record of Decision issue by BCWCB (claim).**
- %o Soaring Eagle Ranches No.1, groundwater transfer/change request for change of place of use and point of diversion, request approved by BCWCB (certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Soaring Eagle Ranches No.2, groundwater transfer/change request for change of place of use and point of diversion, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Shore Properties-Washington Fruit and Cold Storage, surface water (Columbia River) transfer/change request for change in point of diversion, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Badger Mt. Irrigation District, groundwater transfer/change request for point of diversion, place of use, seasonal change, and purpose of use, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Kiona Vineyards (Holmes), groundwater transfer/change request for water-spreading with water application efficiency improvements, request approved by BCWCB, decision modified by WADOE with WADOE re-issuing second modification order due to technical error by WADOE in original modification order; WADOE and BCWCB concur on revised modification order (certificate).**
- %o City of West Richland (Michels water right), groundwater transfer/change request for place of use, point of diversion, seasonal change, and purpose of use, request approved by the BCWCB and denied by WADOE; applicant has appealed to PCHB and requested settlement agreement with WADOE, but WADOE is now denying permit extension with water right holder challenging WADOE denial of extensions (permit), currently in PCHB review.**
- %o Berg Farms, surface water transfer/change request for added point of diversion, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o WA State Dept. of Natural Resources, groundwater transfer/change request for place of use, request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Badger Mt. Irrigation District, groundwater transfer/change request for point of diversion, and place of use; request approved by BCWCB (permit); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**

- %o City of West Richland, groundwater transfer/change request for point of diversion; request approved by BCWCB (Certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o City of Richland, surface water (Columbia River) transfer/change request for change in point of diversion (irrigation sector); request approved by BCWCB (certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o City of Richland, surface water (Columbia River) transfer/change request for change in point of diversion (domestic use); request approved by BCWCB (certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Stimson-Lane, Columbia Crest Vineyards, groundwater transfer/change request for added point of diversion, change to place of use, seasonal change, and purpose, request approved by BCWCB (certificate); affirmed or affirmed with modifications by WADOE.**
- %o Belzer and Manuel, groundwater transfer/change request for place of use for inchoate water, for a lot within a private development; request approved by BCWCB (permit), affirmed by WADOE.**

**Applications Received/Processed/Pending Review by Water Board 11/2001-10/2002:**

- %o City of West Richland, groundwater change/transfer request for change to purpose and place of use; request approved by BCWCB (permit), affirmed or modified and affirmed by WADOE.**
- %o Plymouth Energy, LCC, groundwater and surface water from the Columbia River change/transfer request for change to purpose of use; request approved by the BCWCB (permit), affirmed or modified and affirmed by WADOE.**
- %o Plymouth Farms, purpose and place of use LCC, groundwater and surface water from the Columbia River change/transfer request for change to purpose of use; request approved by the BCWCB (permit), affirmed or modified and affirmed by WADOE.**
- %o Battelle Memorial Institute, PNNL, surface water from the Columbia River change/transfer request for change to purpose of use; request approved by BCWCB (certificate), affirmed or modified and affirmed by WADOE.**
- %o Battelle Memorial Institute, PNNL, groundwater change/transfer request for change to place/time of use; request approved by BCWCB (certificate), affirmed or modified and affirmed by WADOE.**
- %o Badger Canyon Ranch, Wisner, groundwater change/transfer request for change to purpose and place of use; request approved by the BCWCB (certificate), affirmed or modified and affirmed by the WADOE.**
- %o Desert Hills Fruit, surface water (Columbia River) change/transfer request for change to place of use; request approved by the BCWCB (permit), no action by the WADOE at this time.**

- %o Desert Hills Fruit, surface water (Columbia River) change/transfer request for change to place of use; request approved by the BCWCB (certificate), no action by the WADOE at this time.**
- %o C&M Orchards, groundwater change/transfer request for change to point of withdrawal; request approved by the BCWCB (permit), no action taken by WADOE at this time.**
- %o Mt. Adams Vista Water System, groundwater change/transfer request for change of purpose and place of use; request investigated by the BCWCB and determination made that water use could be best accomplished under the domestic water use exemption (permit); BCWCB notified WADOE that applicant would be servicing two lots via groundwater use exemption for permit; file closed for further action by the BCWCB.**
- %o WA State Dept. of Natural Resources, groundwater transfer/change request for point of diversion and place of use, draft ROD prepared by BCWCB (permit); applicant has requested amendment to original request and is completing environmental review; Water Board action anticipated at 11/2002 meetings.**
- %o WA State Dept. of Natural Resources, surface water (Columbia River) change/transfer request for change to point of diversion; request will be approved by BCWCB pending final review by WADOE of permit extension; active status, pending as of 10/2002.**
- %o Stimson-Lane, LTD, surface water (Columbia River) change/transfer request for change to place of use; applicant may request modification to pending application (permit), BCWCB review pending.**
- %o Haag-Williams, groundwater change/transfer request for change to purpose and place of use (certificate); received 10/2002, request under review by the BCWCB.**
- %o Monson Ranches, groundwater change/transfer request for change to place of use; request under review by the BCWCB (permit), request may be withdrawn by the applicant pending settlement agreement between applicant and the DNR over water right, Board is holding ROD decision at this time.**
- %o Maryhill Museum, groundwater (surface water continuity with Columbia River) transfer/change request for point of diversion, place of use, seasonal change, and purpose of use; draft ROD in preparation by the Board (permit), WADOE has made determination that the specific hydrology features likely represent same body of water for management purposes; applicant has requested hold on action pending water right sales agreement (permit); active status, pending 10/2002.**

**Applications Reviewed and in Inactive Status (1998-2002):**

- %o WA State Dept. of Natural Resources, groundwater transfer/change request for place of use involving inchoate surface water permit, the BCWCB has discussed application issues with WADOE and applicant (permit); applicant has requested inactive status at this time.**

- %o Wine Makers LLC, surface water (Columbia River) transfer/change request for place of use involving inchoate surface water permit, the BCWCB has discussed application issues with WADOE and required applicant to provide legal brief for Board review before deciding on application--review pending (permit); inactive status.**
- %o MacKay and MacDonald Farms, surface water (Yakima River) transfer/change request for place of use, BCWCB has data request from applicant that the applicant has not yet provided, and the applicant has indicated that they may decide to modify application for re-submittal in the future; the application has been placed in in-active status for Board review (claim).**
- %o Sandpiper Farms, surface water (Columbia River) transfer/change request for change in place of use, applicant has not provided Water Board with requested technical information, (certificates), applicant has requested review to be placed in in-active status.**

**In addition to the application requests indicated above, the BCWCB has discussed draft applications or inquiries for transfers/changes with at least 50, or more, (additional) potential applicants. The Board advises potential applicants to proceed with formal application submittal--and the requirements thereof--depending on their circumstances, and whether their request is perceived to be within the bounds of existing state water law.**

**Also, working with the WADOE Spokane Office, the Water Board has established a set of technical efficiency levels to be used in evaluating the quantitative levels within water rights for transfers/changes, minus any return flows (as required by RCW 90.03.380).**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE WADOE AND LEGISLATURE**

**The Benton County Water Conservancy Board (Water Board) concisely offers the following recommendations--or supports the following actions--concerning direct and indirect activities of the water conservancy boards:**

- %o First, the Water Board appreciates all efforts made by WADOE Dir. Tom Fitzsimmons, and selected members of the WADOE staff, to work collaboratively with and enhance water conservancy board operations.**
- %o The Water Board supports a legislative change in 2003 to extend the water right relinquishment period--non-use period--from 5-years to 20-years, with corresponding changes to 90.03.380 as well. Detailed text changes and review are available upon request.**
- %o The Water Board recommends to WADOE that the existing format for report of examinations and record of decisions RODs, as well as WADOE report of examinations, for water right transfers and changes be substantially streamlined.**

2002 Report to Legislature  
**Benton County Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Benton Co. Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	07/10/98
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Benton Co. Water Conservancy Board 3030 W. Clearwater, Suite 205-A Kennewick, WA 99336 (509) 783-1623 and/or dolsenecon@aol.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Darryll Olsen, Chair Matt Berg, Member John Jaksch, Member , Member , Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		05/31/04 05/31/08 05/31/06  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Dr. Darryll Olsen, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	As Needed.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Kennewick, WA		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$250	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>			
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>			
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Several attorneys paid/donated time; public information officer to distribute requested materials and inquiries.		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
	Annual WADOE Training Sessions	2001-2	WADOE
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

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<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>		
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>		All
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02                      16 under active review by Board, with 2 submitted prior to 11/2001 but in active status (see above report summary).</b>		
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>		
<b>Board declined to process</b>		
<b>Applications for:</b>	<b>groundwater transfers</b>	11 Note: 2 shared with surface water.
	<b>surface water transfers</b>	7 Note 2 shared with groundwater.
	<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	<b>certificates</b>	Permits: 11      Certificates: 5
	<b>water right claims</b>	
	<b>court claims or other documents</b>	
	<b>trust water</b>	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>		
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
31	Rock/Glade	
36	Esquatzel Coulee	
37	Lower Yakima	
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	9	
<b>Partially approved</b>	1 Recommended for water use exemption.	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>		<b>(9 with 1 conveyed to exempt use)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>		
<b>Remanded back to board</b>		
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	1 previous-year decision now being heard by PCHB	

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2002 Report to Legislature  
**Chelan Co. Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Chelan Co. Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	11/23/99
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Chelan County Planning Dept. 411 Washington Street Wenatchee, WA 98801 (509) 687-9065 and/or donphelps@aol.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Don Phelps, PE, Chair Lonnie Bauscher, Member Pete Fraley, Member , Member , Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		10/05/05 10/05/07 10/05/03  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Don Phelps, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	Mark Peterson New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	103 Palouse, Suite 31 Wenatchee, WA 98801	509-667-8097
	Lonnie Bauscher New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	23 S. Wenatchee Ave. #204 Wenatchee, WA 98801	(509) 664-3704
	Jan Carpenter New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8158 E. Leavenworth Road Leavenworth, WA 98826	(509) 548-1421
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Chelan County Planning Dept., 411 Washington St., Wenatchee, WA 98801		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$1000 fee to cover expenses plus 25% for indirect costs, unused balance refunded	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>			
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>			
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Clerical support from Chelan Co. Water Resources Dept.		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

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<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0	
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	11	
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	2	
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0	
<b>Applications for:</b>		
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	1	
<b>surface water transfers</b>	9	
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	2	
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>		
<b>certificates</b>	5	
<b>water right claims</b>	3	
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	3	
<b>trust water</b>	0	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	none	
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
40	Alkali-Squilchuck	7
45	Wenatchee	1
46	Entiat	1
47	Lake Chelan	2
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	10	
<b>Partially approved</b>	0	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>		<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0	
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0	
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0	

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Douglas Co. Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Douglas Co. Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	March 30, 2000
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	(Name of Location) (Address) (City), (ST) (Zip) (Phone) and/or (email)		
<b>Board members</b>	Bob Brammer, Chair Mike Lesky, Member Lee Hemmer, Member , Member , Member Lynn Heminger, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		06/30/06 06/30/04 06/30/08  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Carol Cowling, Board Support		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	<b>Bd Member Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone/Cell/Fax/Email</b>
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Second Tuesday of each month		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Waterville City Hall, 104 E. Locust, Waterville, WA		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$600, plus public notice costs; additional fees may be charged	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>			
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>			
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Carol D. Cowling, CPA		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

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<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>		1
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>		14
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>		<b>(sum of all applications filed)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>		
<b>Board declined to process</b>		
<b>Applications for:</b>	<b>groundwater transfers</b>	8
	<b>surface water transfers</b>	7
	<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	<b>certificates</b>	11
	<b>water right claims</b>	4
	<b>court claims or other documents</b>	
	<b>trust water</b>	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>		
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 49	Okanogan	
WRIA 50	Foster Creek	
WRIA 44	Moses Coulee	15
WRIA 40	Alkaki/Squichuck	
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>		4
<b>Partially approved</b>		
<b>Denied</b>		
<b>Total Decisions</b>		<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>		
<b>Remanded back to board</b>		
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>		

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Ferry County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Ferry County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	May 19, 2000
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Ferry County Water Conservancy Board 639 Kettle River Road Curlew, WA 99118 (509) 779-4434 and/or usnwe@televar.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Patrick D. Hamilton, Chair Jim Nash, Member Bryan Hunt, Member , Member , Member Ed Watt, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		03/31/06 03/31/04 03/31/08  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Patrick D. Hamilton, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	<b>Bd Member Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone/Cell/Fax/Email</b>
	Tom Beal New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Bryan Hunt New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	363 Fish Hatchery Rd Republic, WA 99166	(509)775-3157 Ext 128 bhunt@kettle.echobay.com
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each quarter @ 5 p.m. except July @ 7 p.m.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Ferry Conservation District Meeting Room, 84 E. Delaware, Republic, WA 99116		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$50 non refundable application fee; additional \$200 plus public notice costs	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>			
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>			
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Clerical Assistance from Clerk for the Ferry Co. Board of Commissioners		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	None	
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	None	
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>none</b>	
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	None	
<b>Board declined to process</b>	None	
<b>Applications for:</b>	<b>groundwater transfers</b>	None
	<b>surface water transfers</b>	None
	<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	None
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	<b>certificates</b>	None
	<b>water right claims</b>	None
	<b>court claims or other documents</b>	None
	<b>trust water</b>	None
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	None	
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 52	Sanpoil	None
WRIA 58	Middle Lake Roosevelt	None
WRIA 60	Kettle	None
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	0	
<b>Partially approved</b>	None	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>None</b>	
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	None	
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	None	
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0	

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Franklin County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Franklin County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	June 9, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Franklin County Water Conservancy Board 1620 Road 44 N. Pasco, WA 99301 (509) 545-8546, x 3 (Mark Nielson) or (509) 547-9751 (Henry Johnson and/or henrycja@aol.com)		
<b>Board members</b>	Henry Johnson, Chair Louis Meissner, Member John Griffin, Member , Member , Member None, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		08/01/05 08/01/03 08/01/07  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Henry Johnson, Chair, Mark Nielson, Board Support		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	First Thursday of each month		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	USDA-Ag. Service Center, 1620 Road 44, Pasco, WA		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$650 per application with up to two permits; \$650 per permit thereafter	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Mark Nielson - Conservation District		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	1
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	13
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/01 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	5
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	13
<b>surface water transfers</b>	1
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	8
<b>water right claims</b>	0
<b>court claims or other documents (permits)</b>	6
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	1
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
WRIA Number	WRIA Name
WRIA 33	Lower Snake
WRIA 34	Palouse
WRIA 36	Esquatzel Coulee
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	9
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	2
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties



<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	4
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02 (sum of all applications filed)</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	2
<b>Board declined to process</b>	7
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	4
<b>surface water transfers</b>	None
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	None
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	4
<b>water right claims</b>	None
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	None
<b>trust water</b>	None
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	None
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>
WRIA 36	Esquatzel Coulee
WRIA 41	Lower Crab
WRIA 42	Grand Coulee
WRIA 43	Upper Crab-Wilson
WRIA 44	Moses Coulee
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	3
<b>Partially approved</b>	1
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	2
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	1

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Island County Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Island County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	August 6, 2001
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Island County Water Conservancy Board P.O. Box 5000 Coupeville, WA 98239 (360) 678-6268 and/or wisewater@earthlink.net or (360) 387-0680; res0t6c3@verizon.net		
<b>Board members</b>	Bill Attwater, Chair Ryan Kingma, Member Larry Bach, Member , Member , Member None, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		07/02/07 07/02/05 07/02/03  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Bill Attwater, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	None		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Island County Hearing Room		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$750; \$100 up front, non-refundable	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Island County Health Department		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: The Conservancy Board has processed an application for change requested by Silver Lake Water Company. The Board, in conjunction with the water company's consultants at Fakkema and Kingma in Oak Harbor, produced a draft report of examination and record of decision. The draft record of examination was forwarded to Ecology for preliminary review. -- continued on page 3 --			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	1
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	0
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	1
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	1
<b>water right claims</b>	0
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
WRIA Number	WRIA Name
WRIA 6	Island
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	0
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

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Additional Comments:

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Ecology determined that Silver Lakes' Water Rights Certificates were incorrect. The Certificate was issued based upon the capacity of the water company's pumps and pipes. Current law stipulates that a water right must be based upon actual beneficial use. Ecology responded to the Conservancy Board that the annual quantity of water should be lowered from 168 acre-feet per year to 65 acre-feet per year.

Silver Lake has turned the matter over to their attorneys in Olympia. Silver Lake's attorneys are experienced in Washington water law and have been negotiating with Ecology to reach some middle ground on language that the Conservancy Board can use in its orders. The Conservancy Board will have right of review before the language is finalized with Ecology.



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**Kittitas County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Kittitas County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	October 16, 2000
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Kittitas County Water Conservancy Board 411 North Ruby, Suite 5 Ellensburg, Washington 98926  509.962.7506		
<b>Board members</b>	Mary Burke, Chairperson Tom Chini, Member Pat Deneen, Member Jim Davis, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		02/20/07 02/20/03 02/20/05 N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Sylvia E. Cervantes, Interim Administrative Support		
	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Fourth Tuesday of the month – 10:00 A.M.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Commissioner's Auditorium County Courthouse, 205 West Fifth, Ellensburg		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$100 non-refundable for submittal; \$500 acceptance fee	Has this changed from last year? Yes No X N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Al Lang, Eastside Associates (Staff to the Board)		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	3
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	0
<b>surface water transfers</b>	3
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	0
<b>water right claims</b>	3
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
WRIA Number	WRIA Name
WRIA 30	Klickitat
WRIA 31	Rock/Glade
WRIA 37	Lower Yakima
WRIA 38	Naches
WRIA 39	Upper Yakima
WRIA 40	Alkali/Squilchuck
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	3
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Klickitat County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Klickitat County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	July 1, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Klickitat County Court House Klickitat County Planning Dept. 228 West Main St., MS-CH-20 Goldendale, WA 98620 (509) 894-4773 and/or dickb@mercerr.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Richard Beightol, Chair Brooks Heard, Member Robert Andrews, Member Alan Cheney, Member J.P. Enderby, Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		08/01/05 08/01/07 08/01/03 07/30/06 07/30/04 N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Richard Beightol, Chair, phone (509) 894-4773, e-mail dickb@mercerr.com		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	Alan Cheney New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	PO Box 1698 White Salmon, WA 98672	(509) 493-2155
	J.P. Enderby New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	240 Hill Rd. Goldendale, WA 98620	(509) 773-4624
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Third Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Klickitat County Courthouse		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$500	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	David McClure, contracted staff, and Curt Dreyer, Klickitat County Planning Department volunteer		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
	Brooks Heard attended "10th Annual Water Law Seminar"	Dec 14th, 2001	Washington State Bar Association
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>		3 new applications received in reporting period
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>		2
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>		<b>(Five new applications filed)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>		1 withdrawn application, which was filed with the Board in 2001 before the start of this reporting period
<b>Board declined to process</b>		0
<b>Applications for:</b>	<b>groundwater transfers</b>	0
	<b>surface water transfers</b>	3 new applications received
	<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	2 new applications received
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	<b>certificates</b>	4
	<b>water right claims</b>	1
	<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
	<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>		0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 29	Wind/White Salmon	1
WRIA 30	Klickitat	3
WRIA 31	Rock/Glade	1
WRIA 37	Lower Yakima	0
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	3	
<b>Partially approved</b>	0	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>		<b>(3)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0	
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0	
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0	

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

2002 Report to Legislature  
**Lewis County Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Lewis County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	July 10, 1998
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Lewis County Water Conservancy Board P.O. Box 1345 Chehalis,, WA 98532 (360) 978-4358 and/or chrischeney@earthlink.net		
<b>Board members</b>	Chris Cheney, Chair Ron Mauel, Member John Moerke, Member Marvin Courtney, Member Lee Carlson, Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		09/30/04 09/30/05 09/30/02 09/30/06 09/30/03 N/A	
<b>Primary contact</b>	Chris Cheney, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	Ron Mauel New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	375 Hamilton Rd. Chehalis, WA 98532	(360) 740-9868
	Lyle Hojem New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Mike McDermott New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Marvin Courtney New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	150 Magnus Onalaska, WA 98570	(360) 978-6238
	John Moerke New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	611 Cousins Road Chehalis, WA 98532	(360) 520-2637
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Third Thursday, 7 p.m.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	1554 Bishop Rd. Chehalis, Wa. USDA Public meeting room.		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$500	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	Office supplies		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	( 1 ) Part time hourly as needed.		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b> Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
	<b>None</b>		
Additional comments: Rich Carter resigned just after finishing training, was replaced by Lee Carlson, term to expire 09/30/03. Mr Carlson at present is an alternate, will go through training November 5-8 2002, will be appointed full voting member by the County Commissioners in November, will be voted on by the Water board at November 21 meeting.			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	1
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	6
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>(7)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	2
<b>Board declined to process</b>	1
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	7
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	7
<b>water right claims</b>	0
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>
WRIA 13	Deschutes
WRIA 23	Upper Chehalis
WRIA 26	Cowlitz
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	0
<b>Partially approved</b>	2
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(2)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Lincoln County Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Lincoln County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	November 23, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Lincoln County Water Conservancy Board PO Box 368 Davenport, WA 99122 (509) 725-3031 and/or waterboard@co.lincoln.wa.us		
<b>Board members</b>	Keith R. Schafer, Chair Penny Rosenberg, Member Paul Gross, Member , Member , Member Rex Harder, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		11/22/03 11/22/05 11/22/07  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Keith R. Schafer, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Second Monday of each month, 9 a.m.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Lincoln County Courthouse, Legislative conference room		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$500 per application	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	Litigation is pending		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	Computer, misc office supplies		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	None		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	1
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>(sum of all applications filed)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	4
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	0
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	0
<b>water right claims</b>	0
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>
WRIA 34	Palouse
WRIA 41	Lower Crab
WRIA 42	Grand Coulee
WRIA 43	Upper Crab/Wilson
WRIA 53	Lower Lake Roosevelt
WRIA 54	Lower Spokane
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	4
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	1
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Mason County Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Mason County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	September 4, 2002
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Mason County Water Conservancy Board Address City, WA Zip Phone # and/or email address		
<b>Board members</b>	Drew Noble, Chair John B. Noble, Member Donald K. Melnick, Member , Member , Member George Campbell, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		07/23/06 07/23/08 07/23/04  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Name, Title		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	Drew Noble New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	P.O. Box 2026 Shelton, WA 98594	(360) 427-1406
	John B. Noble New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	4556 North Island Drive Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 427-1745
	Donald K. Melnick New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	581 E. Pointes Drive West Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 426-9092
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>			
<b>Regular meeting location</b>			
<b>Current fee for processing</b>			Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>			
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>			
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>			
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>		
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>		
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/01 to 10/31/02</b>		<b>(sum of all applications filed)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>		
<b>Board declined to process</b>		
<b>Applications for:</b>	<b>groundwater transfers</b>	
	<b>surface water transfers</b>	
	<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	<b>certificates</b>	
	<b>water right claims</b>	
	<b>court claims or other documents</b>	
	<b>trust water</b>	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>		
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 14	Kennedy/Goldsborough	
WRIA 15	Kitsap	
WRIA 16	Skokomish/Dosewalips	
WRIA 22	Lower Chehalis	
WRIA 21	Queets/Quinault	
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>		
<b>Partially approved</b>		
<b>Denied</b>		
<b>Total Decisions</b>		<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>		
<b>Remanded back to board</b>		
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>		

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Okanogan County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Okanogan County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	May 12, 2000
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Don Skillingstad Okanogan County Planning & Development 123 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue N. Suite 130 Okanogan, WA 98840 (509) 422-7160 and/or skil0007@co.okanogan.wa.us		
<b>Board members</b>	Jeremy (Nim) Titcomb, Chair Benson Allen, Member Rod Noel, Member Julie Dagnon, Alternate Dick Ewing, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		4/1/04 4/1/08 3/31/06 N/A N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Don Skillingstad, Board Support		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	<b>Bd Member Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone/Cell/Fax/Email</b>
	Rod Noel New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	P.O. Box 852 Oroville, WA. 98844	509/476-2106
	Bill Cotrell New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 S. Granite Omak, WA. 98841	509/826-1612
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	By-laws are currently being revised to set the regularly scheduled meeting dates. The Board has been operating under the Special Meeting Provisions of State Law until such time as regularly scheduled meeting dates have been adopted by the Board.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	By-laws are currently being revised to set the regular meeting location. The Board has been operating under the Special Meeting Provisions of State Law until such time as regular meeting locations have been adopted by the Board.		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	Fee's have not been set by the Board. Fee's will be set soon.	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Okanogan Co. Planning and Development staff		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
	None	None	None
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	None	
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	None	
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>None</b>	
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	None	
<b>Board declined to process</b>	None	
<b>Applications for:</b>	<b>groundwater transfers</b>	None
	<b>surface water transfers</b>	None
	<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	None
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	<b>certificates</b>	None
	<b>water right claims</b>	None
	<b>court claims or other documents</b>	None
	<b>trust water</b>	None
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	None	
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 48	Methow	None
WRIA 49	Okanogan	None
		None
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	0	
<b>Partially approved</b>	0	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0	
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0	
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0	

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Spokane County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Spokane County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	May 5, 2000
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Spokane County Water Conservancy Board P.O. Box 13496 Spokane, WA 99213-3496 (509) 926-0159 and/or djrider@concentric.net		
<b>Board members</b>	Doug Rider, Chair Bill Towey, Member Ed Weilep, Member , Member , Member Sharon O'Shaughnessy, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		10/10/06 10/10/08 10/10/04  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Doug Rider, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	3rd Thursday of the month @ 0930hrs.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Modern Electric Water Co. 904 N. Pines Rd., Spokane WA		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$100 application fee; \$400 processing fee	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	none		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	Briefcase		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	none		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	2	GRF, Nilles
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	1	Pre-mix
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02 (sum of all applications filed)</b>		
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0	
<b>Board declined to process</b>	1	pending DOE decision on aquifer boundary
<b>Applications for:</b>		
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	3	GRF, Nilles, Pre-mix
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0	
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0	
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>		
<b>certificates</b>	3	GRF, Nilles, Pre-mix
<b>water right claims</b>	0	
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0	
<b>trust water</b>	0	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0	
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 34	Palouse	
WRIA 43	Upper Crab/Wilson	
WRIA 54	Lower Spokane	2 GRF, Nilles
WRIA 55	Little Spokane	1 Pre-mix
WRIA 56	Hangman	
WRIA 57	Middle Spokane	
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	3	Vu, DSHS, Nilles
<b>Partially approved</b>	0	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>		<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	1	GRF for revision
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0	
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0	

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties



Additional comments: The Stevens County Water Conservancy Board has been working on their administrative and operating procedures, setting up a banking account and developing their By-Laws for the past six months. The Board will set an official 'Open for Business' date in November 2002, once they have obtained their start-up funds from Stevens County and finalized their operating procedures documents, By-Laws, and Fact Sheet Handout.

Regarding the question of does the SCWCB maintain an information exchange for interested buyers, sellers and/or leases of water rights, the local Public Utilities District No. 1 of Stevens County has began developing a Non-Profit Water Rights Clearing House for that specific purpose for the entire Stevens County.

Note: One of the three board members, Bill Swartz, was absent from board meetings for four months due to serving as a fire fighter during the summer and early fall for the USFS. This absence added to the difficulty of not being able complete the initial organizational tasks in a more timely manner.

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	0
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>(0</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	0
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	0
<b>water right claims</b>	0
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0
<b>trust water</b>	0
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
WRIA Number	WRIA Name
WRIA 54	Lower Spokane
WRIA 59	Colville
WRIA 61	Upper Lake Roosevelt
WRIA 58	Middle Lake Roosevelt
	0
	0
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	0
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(0</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties



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**Thurston County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Thurston County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	November 17, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Thurston County Water Conservancy Board 606 Columbia Street, NW, Suite 104 Olympia, WA 98501 (360) 943-5079, ext 206 and/or delphi7852@aol.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Nick Adams, Chair Bill Smith, Member Mike Rhubright, Member Jon Hare, Member David Warren, Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		12/13/05 12/13/03 12/13/07 9/1/06 9/1/08 N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Nick Adams, Chairman		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	Jon Hare New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	336 West X Street Tumwater, WA 98501	(360) 273-5911 jhare@chehalistribe.org
	Mike Rhubright New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	7032 44th Avenue NE Olympia, WA 98516	(360) 753-8167 MikeandPaula@msn.com
	David Warren New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	545 75 <sup>th</sup> Way Olympia, WA 98506	(360) 705-8800 dpwarren@lastmile.com
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Third Monday of each month unless legal holiday		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Percival Plaza Conference Room, 626 Columbia St., NW, Suite 1-1F, Olympia, WA (One block SW of Olympia Farmer's Market)		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$1450 per application	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	None		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
	10 <sup>th</sup> Water Law Conference (Nick Adams)	Nov, 2001	WSBA
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: Former Board Member Lannie Carpenter resigned during November, 2001			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0	
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	2	
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>(sum of all applications filed)</b>	
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0	
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0	
<b>Applications for:</b>		
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	2	
<b>surface water transfers</b>	0	
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0	
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>		
<b>certificates</b>	2	
<b>water right claims</b>	0	
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	0	
<b>trust water</b>	0	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0	
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 11	Nisqually	0
WRIA 13	Deschutes	0
WRIA 23	Upper Chehalis	2
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>	3	
<b>Partially approved</b>	0	
<b>Denied</b>	0	
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>	
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	1	
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0	
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0	

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Walla Walla County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Walla Walla County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	October 5, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Walla Walla County Water Conservancy Board P.O. Box 1506 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 547-9312 and/or alan_kottwitz@bc.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Alan Kottwitz, Chair Mike Dobbins, Member Brian Worden, Member , Member , Member None, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		10/19/03 10/19/07 10/19/05  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Alan Kottwitz, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	First Wednesday of the month		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Walla Walla County Courthouse		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$500	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	none		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	none		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Clerk of the County Commissioners office		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

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<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	10
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	4
<b>surface water transfers</b>	6
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	7
<b>water right claims</b>	3
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	
<b>trust water</b>	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
WRIA Number	WRIA Name
WRIA 32	Walla Walla
WRIA 33	Lower Snake
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	2
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Whatcom Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Whatcom Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	December 7, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	600 Lakeway Drive Bellingham, WA 98225 (360) 676-6749 and/or mohebke@dshs.wa.gov		
<b>Board members</b>	Douglas Campbell, Chair Douglas Clark, Member Edwin Henken, Member , Member , Member , Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		12/31/03 12/31/05 12/31/07  N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Kathy Mohebki, Board Support		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	Bd Member Name	Address	Phone/Cell/Fax/Email
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	Second Wednesday of each month, as necessary		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Northwest Regional Council Offices, 600 Lakeway Drive, Bellingham, WA 98225		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$150 application fee; \$600 processing fee plus any additional costs	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	NA		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	NA		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Contract with Northwest Regional Council and Whatcom County for staff support		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>		
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	1	
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>		
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	1	
<b>Board declined to process</b>		
<b>Applications for:</b>		
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	1	
<b>surface water transfers</b>		
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>		
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>		
<b>certificates</b>		
<b>water right claims</b>		
<b>court claims or other documents</b>		
<b>trust water</b>		
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>		
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>		
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>
WRIA 1	Nooksack	
WRIA 4	Upper Skagit	
WRIA 3	Lower Skagit/Samish	
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>		
<b>Approved</b>		
<b>Partially approved</b>		
<b>Denied</b>		
	<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>		
<b>Remanded back to board</b>		
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>		

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Whitman County Water Conservancy Board**  
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<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Whitman County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	July 26, 2000
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Whitman County Water Conservancy Board 404 North Main Colfax, WA 99111 (509) 397-6200 and/or Lynne Gearhart, lgearhart@hotmail.com		
<b>Board members</b>	Lynne Gearhart, Chair Gayle Startin, Member Sara Sue Cochran, Member Tracy Eriksen, Member Dretha Phillips, Member none, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		July 16, 2007 07/16/06 07/16/05 07/16/04 07/16/05 N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Lynne Gearhart, Chair		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	<b>Bd Member Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone/Cell/Fax/Email</b>
	Lynne Gearhart New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	Box 8, 120 S. Bridge St Palouse, WA 99161	(509) 878-1371, tape99@gte.net
	Dretha Phillips New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	485 NW Thomas Street Pullman, WA	(509) 332-8398
	New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	Whitman County Commissioners Conference Room, Colfax WA		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$300 to receive application; \$300 for processing	Has this changed from last year? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	none		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	none		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	Clerk shared with Commissioners office.		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or leasors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
	<b>none</b>		
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: Ms Phillips is our board's representative on the Palouse Conservation District's watershed committee.			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	1
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	1
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	1
<b>Board declined to process</b>	none
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	1
<b>surface water transfers</b>	none
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	none
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	none
<b>water right claims</b>	none
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	none
<b>trust water</b>	1
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
WRIA Number	WRIA Name
WRIA 34	Palouse
WRIA 35	Middle Snake
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	1
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(1)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	none
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	none
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

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**Yakima County Water Conservancy Board**  
 November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002

<b>Water Conservancy Board Information</b>			
<b>Board name</b>	Yakima County Water Conservancy Board	Date board approved	July 12, 1999
<b>Board address/ phone/email</b>	Yakima County Water Conservancy Board 2301 Fruitvale Boulevard Yakima, WA 98901 (509) 574-2650 and/or sylvia.cervantes@co.yakima.wa.us		
<b>Board members</b>	Gene D. McIntire, Chair Steven C. Pickett, Member Dueane Calvin, Member Jeff Stevens, Alternate	Term Expiration Date	
		09/07/03 09/07/05 09/07/07 N/A	
<b>Primary board contact</b>	Sylvia Cervantes, Board Support		
<b>Changes in membership</b>	<b>Bd Member Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone/Cell/Fax/Email</b>
	Jeanne Wahler New <input type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5403 Richey Road Yakima, WA 98908	509.965.9669
	Dueane Calvin New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	2301 Fruitvale Boulevard Yakima, WA 98902	509.575.6040
	Jeff Stevens New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resigned <input type="checkbox"/>	4709 Richey Road Yakima, WA 98902	509.453.4833
<b>Water Conservancy Board Operations</b>			
<b>Regular meeting schedule</b>	First Wednesday of the month		
<b>Regular meeting location</b>	2301 Fruitvale Boulevard, Yakima, Washington Del Kary City Public Works Administration Conference Room		
<b>Current fee for processing</b>	\$100 non-refundable for submittal; \$500 acceptance fee	Has this changed from last year? Yes No X N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Litigation WCB is involved in</b>	None		
<b>Property owned by WCB</b>	None		
<b>Number staff/ volunteer assistance</b>	One part time board clerk		
Do you maintain a water right transfer information exchange of interested buyers, sellers and/or lessors of water rights: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no			
<b>Training received other than from ecology</b>	<b>Title of Training</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Forms attached <input type="checkbox"/>			
Additional comments: You may attach additional pages if desired Newly appointed Board member and Alternate are scheduled for training in November 5-8, 2002			

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties

<b>Application Information</b>	
<b>Filed with and conveyed from Ecology</b>	21
<b>Filed originally with WCB</b>	0
<b>Total applications filed and accepted 11/01/02 to 10/31/02</b>	<b>(sum of all applications filed)</b>
<b>Withdrawn by applicant from board</b>	0
<b>Board declined to process</b>	0
<b>Applications for:</b>	
<b>groundwater transfers</b>	17
<b>surface water transfers</b>	4
<b>surface to ground water or ground to surface water</b>	0
<b>Proposing transfer related to:</b>	
<b>certificates</b>	7
<b>water right claims</b>	14
<b>court claims or other documents</b>	1
<b>trust water</b>	
<b>Hearings in other counties<sup>1</sup></b>	0
<b>Applications by Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)</b>	
<b>WRIA Number</b>	<b>WRIA Name</b>
WRIA 30	Klickitat
WRIA 31	Rock/Glade
WRIA 37	Lower Yakima
WRIA 38	Naches
WRIA 39	Upper Yakima
WRIA 40	Alkali/Squilchuck
<b>Records of Decisions by WCB</b>	
<b>Approved</b>	2
<b>Partially approved</b>	0
<b>Denied</b>	0
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>(sum of all RODs)</b>
<b>Withdrawn from Ecology</b>	0
<b>Remanded back to board</b>	0
<b>Appealed to PCHB</b>	0

<sup>1</sup>For water right change proposals between counties