

SNO-KING WATER-SEWER DISTRICT COALITION

2017 Legislative Agenda

Who we are: Sno-King Water-Sewer Coalition consists of seven water and sewer districts within King and Snohomish Counties serving over 250,000 people. The Coalition is comprised of Alderwood Water and Wastewater District, Sammamish Plateau Water, Woodinville Water District, Cross Valley Water District, Olympic View Water and Sewer District, Mukilteo Water and Wastewater District, and Coal Creek Utility District.

Governed under Title 57 RCW, these districts operate and maintain critical infrastructure that is essential to public health, environmental safety and business growth. Coalition members are committed to providing safe, reliable, and affordable drinking water and sewer service to homes, businesses and industry. We engage in local and regional water supply and sewer treatment planning, inter-system coordination with cities, counties, tribes and other special purpose districts.

Purpose/Goal of Sno-King: The purpose and goal of Sno-King is to support state legislation and regulations that assist water and sewer districts in their mission in an environmentally sensitive way.

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Following are the top 2017 legislative and regulatory priorities of Sno-King:

- Retention of the **Public Works Assistance Account** to provide low interest infrastructure construction loans.
- Common sense resolution to the “**Hirst Decision**” and its impact on water supplies in rural areas.
- Support of the “omnibus” bill of the **Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts**.
- Reversal of King County **franchise fees** which would tax districts for right-of way use.
- **Protection of drinking water supply fields** from injection of possible pollutants.
- Reform of the **Public Records Act** to maintain public access while reducing agency costs.
- Repeal of additional fee on **lien filing fees**.
- Clarifying ownership and responsibilities of in-home/on-site “**grinder pumps**” is the property owner.
- Adoption of reasonable and attainable water quality “**fish consumption**” standards.

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