



Washington State Boundary Review Board

For King County

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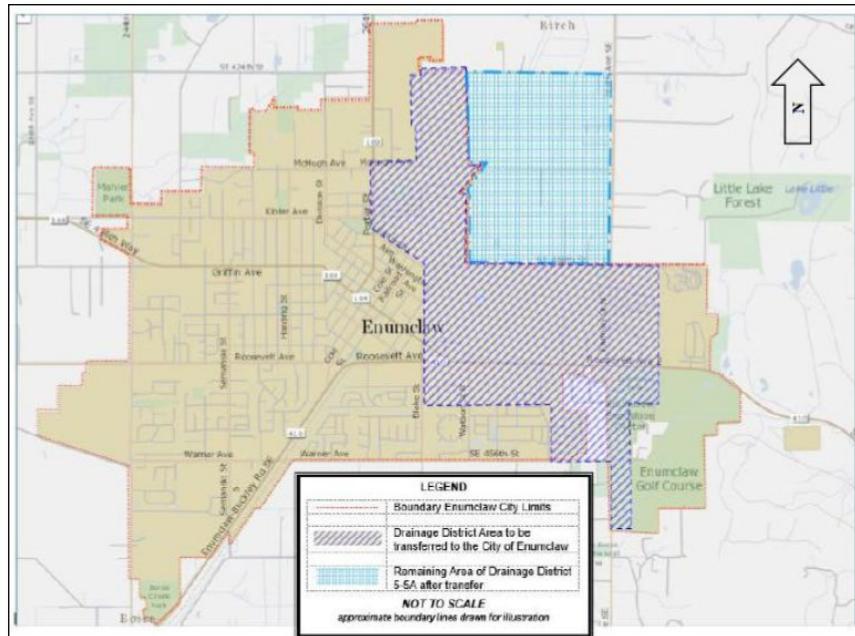
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Re: FILE NO. 2422-KING COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT 5-5A – ENUMCLAW WITHDRAWAL

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

Thank you for your call on Monday, January 12, 2026. As I mentioned to you, I am following up regarding some concerns Boundary Review Board Members posed during their discussion of its [File No. 2422](#) regarding the [Notice of Intention](#) (NOI) that you submitted on behalf of King County Drainage District 5-5A (the District.) Additionally, I need to alert you to an important technical issue related to the legal description and mapping.

Based upon the mapping provided by the District in the NOI (Page 10 – see below,) it is my understanding that the District intends to withdraw from territory located both within the incorporated City of Enumclaw as well as territory located in the unincorporated area of King County, specifically the area located in the Sierra Vista Potential Annexation Area.



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However, after further review by King County GIS Staff, it has come to the Board's attention that *the legal description (Pages 38-45) submitted by the District with its NOI limits the territory identified for withdrawal as the territory only located within the incorporated City of Enumclaw*. As submitted, the legal description may leave the District with two noncontiguous areas of territory. Therefore, the District needs to clarify the territory it seeks to be withdrawn and submit corrected mapping and/or a corrected legal description as soon as possible, and well before the February 20, 2026, 45-day notice period end date.

The Boundary Review Board Members also discussed several concerns regarding the NOI at its January 8, 2026 Regular Meeting, and the Board would invite the District to respond in writing. Specifically, Board Members would appreciate that the District provide information regarding how this proposal would advance the District's policy goals. Board Members would also like to know more about the work of the District and how this proposal would affect community members of the area of the District located in the City of Enumclaw as well as community members in the area that the District proposes to retain within its corporate boundaries. Further, Board Members question how a reduction in District revenues would impact the District's ability to provide services in the area that it proposes to retain. Lastly, Board Members are interested in the specific concerns identified by the community as referenced in the Minutes of the District's June 9, 2025, meeting as well as the District's response to those concerns.

Further, the following information is needed from the District for reporting requirements to the King County Growth Management Planning Council. Please provide the following information as soon as possible:

- A list of parcels that comprise the territory from which the District proposes to withdraw
- The total acreage of the territory from which the District proposes to withdraw

On behalf of the Board, I thank you for your prompt attention to these matters. As I also mentioned in our call, the deadline to invoke the Boundary Review Board's jurisdiction in this matter is February 20, 2026. Should that not happen by that date, the Board will close its file on February 23, 2026. As this pending deadline adds urgency to this matter, I request that the District expedite the Board's request.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would otherwise like to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,



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Executive Secretary

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