



APPENDIX A

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1. The Ag Strategic Plan provides data and analysis, contains specific proposals for projects, funding strategies, and a timeline for implementation that includes adequate time for equitable negotiation and problem-solving in current and future multi-objective planning processes.
2. It complements other related efforts, such as King County's Local Food Initiative which is an economic development and marketing plan for food and agriculture in the region, as well as Snohomish Conservation District's Ag Resiliency Plan which features climate change planning.
3. The strategic plan for Snoqualmie Valley agriculture will represent the agricultural needs in future Fish Farm Flood (FFF)-related decision-making, similar to how the Salmon Recovery Plans and the Flood Plan represent the needs for salmon recovery and flood risk reduction, respectively.
4. The strategic plan will present a timeline for implementation in relation to #2 and #3 above.
5. The Ag Strategic Plan will serve a generation of agricultural production (25 years), with reviews every 5 years to address progress.
6. Soil health is essential to productivity.
7. Recommendations for acreage targets (net acreage over period of time) will be created through a systematic approach.
8. This plan supports all crops/livestock and utilizes the [King County Code definition of agriculture](#) in relation to productivity.
9. While informed by science, policy and economic models, much of the systematic process requires best professional judgement.