



STATE OF WASHINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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RE: Verification of Conservation Districts as Government Entities

To Whom It May Concern:

Conservation districts from time to time are asked to document their status as a governmental entity. The purpose of this letter is to provide documentation as to the legal status of conservation districts.

Conservation districts are organized and operate under Washington State law at [RCW 89.08](#). As such, all conservation districts in Washington State are governmental subdivisions of the State of Washington and are public bodies corporate and politic. RCW 89.08.020 and 220. Conservation districts are formally recognized by the Secretary of State and, unless otherwise called for in state law, have all the benefits and responsibilities of a government entity.

Sincerely,

Mark Clark
Executive Director

cc: Conservation Commission Regional Manager

