# **Directions for conservation district Tour Packet** template (Publisher file):

- Prints to 11x17 document, two-sided, folded
- Document provides a folder for the Tour Insert (also available in the Marketing Toolkit) and other tour materials.
- Purpose is to provide overview of conservation district and feature key service areas related to tour / tour participants.
- First page of document is front cover (right side) and back cover (left side) of packet
- Second page is centerfold of packet
- Feel free to change the color scheme. The official color palette for Washington conservation districts has been saved in the Color Scheme menu.
- Remember to click "save as" to save your own version of the template before making changes.

	[BACK COVER]	[FRONT COVER]
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# **Instructions for Page 1 — Front Cover**

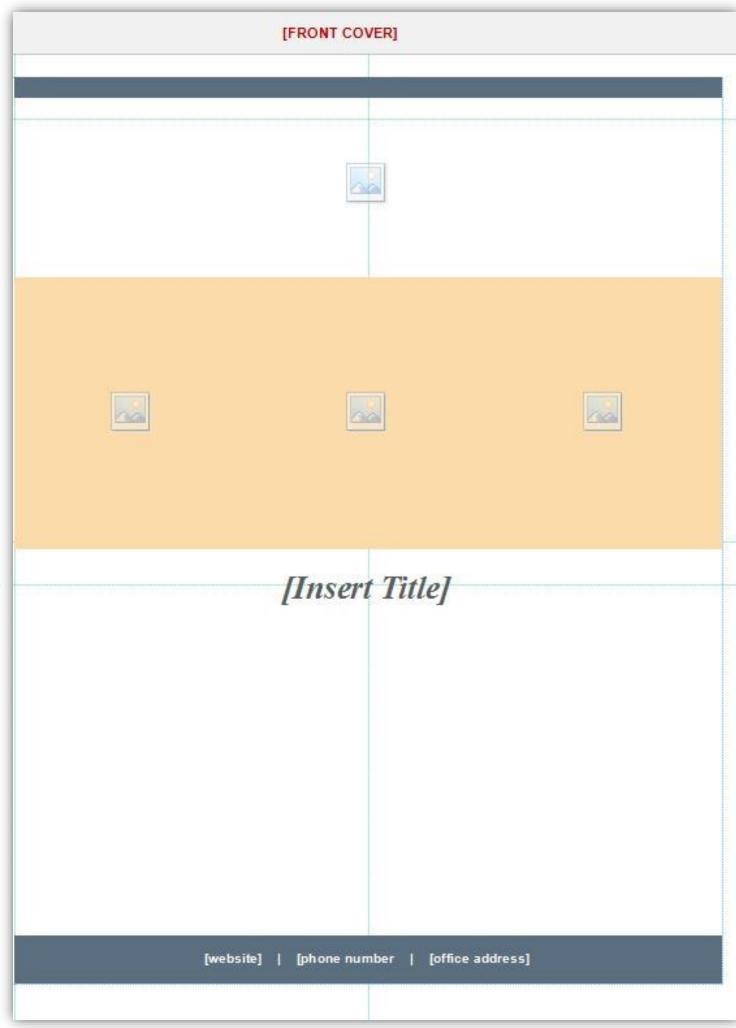
# Insert your CD logo into the picture placeholder

- Mouseover the space between the blue top bar and yellow center bar until you see a picture placeholder appear—click on the center icon. *Note: Picture placeholders don't show up until you mouseover them*
- Next to "From a File" click "Browse" to locate your logo file and then click "Insert"
- If your logo overfills the frame, click on the image, go to your top toolbar ribbon and click on "Picture tools: Format" and then click on "Fit" (in Crop menu).

# Insert three photos into the picture placeholders:

- Mouseover the yellow bar—you should see three picture placeholders in a row.
- Click on the center icon of one placeholder
- Next to "From a File" click "Browse" to locate your logo file and then click "Insert"
- If your image overfills the frame, click on the image, go to your top toolbar ribbon and click on "Picture tools: Format" and then click on "Fit" (in Crop menu).
- Repeat for next two placeholders.

Insert your tour title in the text box (e.g. 10th District Highlights)



Insert contact information

# [BACK COVER]

# Our mission: [insert CD mission statement]





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- » Stormwater management

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[tagline, slogan, or take-home message from tour]

# Instructions for Page 1, cont. — Back Cover

# **Insert your CD mission**

# Insert two photos into the picture placeholders:

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- Repeat for next placeholder.

Use this space to provide any explanation / context for tour participants.

Some participants may not know about conservation districts or cost-share, so basic messaging is provided here. Feel free to replace with your own content.

Insert tagline / take-home message

# Instructions for Page 2 — Centerfold

In each of the four spaces provided, pick a geographic area (e.g. Dungeness Watershed), natural resource area (e.g. water quality), and/or service area (e.g. K-12 Education) that is a priority for your conservation district and that you want for feature for tour participants

Provide a few bulleted key messages about each of your four focus areas.

Suggested headings are:

Overview (one sentence summary of your goal for this area)

Why This is Important (describe specific challenges / priorities that your goal addresses)

Our Solution(s) (brief list of activities CD conducts to achieve goals. Include measureable resource impacts, if possible)

**Moving Forward** (what are the next steps / what else do you need to achieve this goal)

Photos:

Insert two photos for each area along the right side (before/after project photos, if possible). Mouseover area above the "caption" box to see photo placeholders.

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Examples of front cover, back cover, and resource area description



# CONSERVATION DISTRICTS OF WASHINGTON STATE

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Highlights from the 10th District

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# Our mission: To conserve natural resource on all lands in Washington State, in collaboration with conservation districts and other partners



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# Random Watershed

# **OVERVIEW**

Goal: Improve water quality and salmon habitat in the watershed using farm-friendly solutions.

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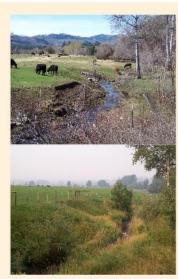
- Random Watershed has a strong local agricultural economy and also is home to six salmonid species.
- ▶ Portions of Random River have excessive algae blooms due to low dissolved oxygen and high phosphorus levels in violation of state water quality standards.
- Reducing nutrient runoff, including agricultural runoff, has been identified as a solution to improve water quality.
- Solutions must be farm-friendly to preserve local agricultural operations.

### **OUR SOLUTIONS**

- Offer cost-share programs to help livestock operators install best practices for manure management (e.g. building waste storage facilities).
- ► Provide incentives for farmers to restore riparian areas by enrolling in Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP).
- ▶ Offer community workshops on best practices for nutrient management.

# MOVING FORWARD...

▶ Seek funding to expand livestock cost-share program to keep up with high demand.



Livestock operation before (top) and after (bottom) conservation district helped landowner install livestock exlusion fencing and replant riparian areas.