

June 23, 1992
AT:SNOPPAC

Introduced by: Derdowski

Proposed No.: 91-934

MOTION NO. 8708

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2 A MOTION requesting the department of
3 parks, planning and resources to monitor
4 and assist the Snoqualmie Pass Planning
5 Advisory Council in preparing a report
6 and recommendation on land use at
7 Snoqualmie Pass

8 WHEREAS, the Snoqualmie Pass has been a developed winter
9 recreation area since the opening of its first ski lift in
10 1937, and

11 WHEREAS, a portion of the Pass area currently devoted to
12 developed outdoor recreation is within King County, and

13 WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan recognizes
14 that recreational developments such as ski areas and associated
15 hotels are desirable when compatible with continued forestry on
16 adjacent lands, and

17 WHEREAS, Policy RL-207 of the King County Comprehensive
18 Plan states that for recreational development in a Forestry
19 Production District, "A discretionary review process should be
20 used to ensure that building siting, size, design and
21 supporting public facilities limit the impacts to surrounding
22 forest management activities", and

23 WHEREAS, the Snoqualmie Pass area is within that portion
24 of eastern King County for which no community plan is prepared,
25 and

26 WHEREAS, the Council adopted the King County Resource
27 Lands Area Zoning in 1989 which applied the Forestry
28 Classification to lands at Snoqualmie Pass while recognizing
29 that "The Forest Production District also includes areas that
30 are well-suited to the development of commercial recreation
31 uses such as ski areas, resorts and conference centers."

32 WHEREAS, Kittitas County has given its approval to a
33 Planned Unit Development containing a hotel, condominiums, a
34 restaurant and retail space on land abutting King County, and

1 WHEREAS, Snoqualmie Pass property owners, residents and
2 other interested citizens formed the Snoqualmie Pass Planning
3 Advisory Committee (SNOPPAC) in March of 1990 to create a plan
4 for development at the Pass, and

5 WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Community
6 Development approved a \$25,000 planning grant to SNOPPAC from
7 its Local Development Matching Fund grant in September of 1991,
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Kittitas County has provided \$12,500 in matching
10 funds and worked with SNOPPAC to develop a plan, and

11 WHEREAS, parks, planning and resources department staff
12 has been attending SNOPPAC meetings and monitoring their plan
13 development process, and

14 WHEREAS, there will be no direct cost to King County other
15 than a continuation of this monitoring, and

16 WHEREAS, SNOPPAC intends to complete a plan by the end of
17 1992 that will include lands that are within King County.

18 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

19 A. The department of parks, planning and resources is
20 requested to continue to monitor the Snoqualmie Pass Planning
21 Advisory Council as it prepares a report and recommendations to
22 the King County council and to assist it by providing it with a
23 thorough understanding of relevant King County plans, policies
24 and regulations.

25 B. The council will review the report and recommendations
26 of the Snoqualmie Pass Planning Advisory Council and determine
27 whether or not an amendment to the Resource Lands Area Zoning
28 is warranted.

29 PASSED this 29th day of June, 1992.

30 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
31 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

32 *Cynthia Sullivan*
33 VICE Chair

34 ATTEST:

35 *Gerald G. Peterson*
36 Clerk of the Council