



Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title *Field not completed.*

First Name McKale

Last Name Jones

Today's Date 1/4/2022

Street Address

City

Zip

Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? Yes

Do you have a different mailing address? *Field not completed.*

Primary Telephone

Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

Email Address

1. Name of Board or Committee **Conservation Easement Program Oversight Committee**

2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying? Yes

3. Which Council district do you live in? District 3

4. Are you a US citizen? Yes

5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? Yes

6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?	No
8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	<i>Field not completed.</i>
9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	Currently a full time homesteader (farming for personal use only, no commercial operations or sales). I previously worked for Whatcom County Planning and Development Services as a Natural Resources Planner administering the Conservation Program on Agricultural Land (CPAL), as well as concurrently working at Whatcom Unified Command as Logistics Section Chief.. Please note that I have worked directly with the administrator of this Committee, Becky Snijder van Wissenkerke. I have a Bachelors in Environmental Policy. Please see attached resume for full details.
10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission	I am interested in serving on this board as I believe it does incredibly important work. I am very familiar with the land uses and changes, historically and ongoing, within the County due to my previous role as a Natural Resources Planner in PDS. I know the WCC very well, and I do know the operations of this committee and the purpose behind the work as well. As a landowner and farmer in East Whatcom, I'm also well acquainted with the challenges and conflict that can arise between conservation, development, and agriculture.
References (please include daytime telephone number):	My direct report from WCPDS no longer works with the county, Mark Personnius or Denise Massey Smith of WCPDS can be contacted at their WCPDS offices.
Signature of applicant:	McKale Jones
Place Signed / Submitted	Deming, WA