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Conservation District Supervisor Elections

An election for a seat on the Jefferson Co. Conservation District Board of Supervisors will be held on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the Jefferson Co. Conservation District office, 205 W. Patison Street in the Shold Business Park, Port Hadlock. Conservation District Supervisors are public officials who direct the activities of the conservation district. In 2010 there is one position to be filled on the board. Candidates for the position must be registered voters residing within the boundary of the conservation district, which is all Jefferson Co. outside the city limits of Port Townsend.

There are five Conservation District board members who serve three-year terms. Three of the five Conservation District supervisors are locally elected, and the Washington State Conservation Commission appoints two. The 2010 election process requires that all candidates declare their interest and eligibility by completing an eligibility form and providing it to the district office at least 4 weeks prior to the March 3, 2010 election date.

There are two types of candidates: nominated candidates and declared write-in candidates. Both types require filing of candidate information with the conservation district by the filing deadline, February 3, 2010. In addition, a candidate wishing to have his or her name placed on the official ballot must submit to the conservation district a nominating petition signed by at least 25 registered voters residing within the district boundary by the filing deadline. A candidate who submits an eligibility form but does not submit a completed nomination petition on time will be considered a declared write-in candidate. It is preferable that candidates have a good understanding of the goals and operations of the Conservation District.

If you would like more information about the application for appointments, elections, or are interested in becoming an associate supervisor, contact the district office at 360-385-4105, or visit the Washington State Conservation Commission website at www.scc.wa.gov