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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors and staff members of Kitsap Conservation District, you are invited to attend a conservation project tour on Wednesday, January 20, 2016. The purpose of the tour is to share a cross-section of conservation projects in Kitsap County.

Here are the tour highlights:

- Visit **Kitsap Conservation District** to view a variety of **LID practices** set in a residential environment. The District site demonstrates to local homeowners how **rain gardens, cisterns and pervious driveways** can work around their homes. We will discuss **stormwater management** and how our efforts as part of a consortium called **Clean Water Kitsap** support Puget Sound recovery.
- Visit **Scandia Patch**, a small farm in Poulsbo that grows produce for market. The Bazzell family participated in a **stream restoration** project to **enhance Scandia Creek**. **WSCC funding** was used for a portion of the project where **habitat logs and resting pools** were installed for salmon. The project included **planting native species** in the riparian area.
- Visit **IOS Ranch**, a horse boarding and training facility, to view how agricultural management promotes sustainable conservation. BMPs at this beautiful facility on Bainbridge Island include **water catchment** and **water control** practices, **an advanced composting system**, and **heavy use area protection**.
- Our last tour stop will be at a partnership project with Kitsap County that showcases a **culvert replacement** and large planting of **native plants** on Dickerson Creek. This is part of a continuing collaboration with Clean Water Kitsap to bring **habitat function**, beauty and salmon back.
- Dinner will be at the Kitsap Conference Center, 100 Washington Ave, Bremerton, WA.

A charter bus will begin the tour promptly at 12:30pm from the Kitsap Conference Center. You can expect unpredictable weather in January and there will be some standing around in the cold, so warm clothes and good footwear are highly recommended.

After the tour, the bus will take tour participants **directly** to dinner. **If you cannot join us for the tour, you can still meet us for dinner at 6:00 pm.** Dinner cost is \$23.00 per person and can be paid at time of dinner or mailed to the Kitsap Conservation District at PO Box 2472, Silverdale, WA 98383. Exact cash is preferred, or a check made payable to the Kitsap Conservation District.

If you would like to attend the tour and/or interaction dinner, please RSVP to Lori Gonzalez at the Conservation Commission no later than January 8 by clicking this link:

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