

City Light Issue Paper			
SCL ESA Lands 2012 Deed Acceptance ORD			
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Council Action Required?	Y	If YES, within the next 3 months?	Y
Public Hearing Required?	N		
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Summary Statement

An ordinance accepting statutory warranty deeds to the Dow, Faucett et al., Miller, and Schmitt properties in Snohomish County, Washington, and the Errol Hanson Funding Inc., Fischer, Heaphy, Raab Family Trust, TPB Properties Inc., Turner and Wall properties in Skagit County, Washington, for salmonid habitat protection purposes; ratifying the grants of Deeds of Right to the State of Washington on the Dow, Errol Hanson Funding, Inc., Faucett et al., Fischer, Miller, Schmitt, and TPB Properties Inc. properties for salmon recovery and conservation purposes; placing said lands under the jurisdiction of the City Light Department; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Background

This legislation authorizes the Superintendent to accept statutory warranty deeds to the aforementioned properties, and grant Deeds of Right for five of those properties to the Washington State Salmon Funding Recovery Board (“SRF Board”). All of the properties were purchased as part of SCL’s Endangered Species Act (ESA) Early Action Program under the authority of Ordinance 121114. Both the Program and Ordinance stated criteria by which the City committed to assist in threatened species recovery and these properties meet the criteria by protecting salmonid habitat. Funding for the property acquisitions included \$763,000 in SCL funds and \$313,000 from the SRF Board. This legislation places the acquired properties under the jurisdiction of the City Light Department. The funding for these acquisitions was already budgeted and does not require a new appropriation.

Key Issues

None.

Next Steps

On authorization by the City Council, the acceptance of deeds will be executed and recorded.