



MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 22, 2016
TO: Mayor Stokes and Councilmembers
FROM: Joyce Nichols, Director of Intergovernmental Relations
RE: Regional Issues Committee Items February 22, 2016

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Update Regarding Lake Sammamish Slough and Proposed Willowmoor Project: Bellevue has been monitoring the status of the Lake Sammamish River Transition Zone due to high water levels that impacted Bellevue property owners living along Lake Sammamish. Tonight's briefing will provide Council an update on project alternatives developed by King County to address flooding, habitat and maintenance issues in the Transition Zone. King County Water and Land Resources Division Director Mark Isaacson will provide an overview that will include options for addressing flooding and habitat issues in this area. King County has not selected a preferred alternative for the project and no Council action is required tonight. The briefing is an opportunity for Council to ask questions and provide feedback or direction to staff.

LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS

State Legislative Session Update: Staff has provided a written update on legislation of importance to Bellevue. The cutoff for bills to pass their house of origin was February 17. At the time of this writing, a complete list of bills that did/did not survive the cutoff was not available. An update on bill status will be provided.

Federal Legislative Update: Staff has provided a written update on the recent activities in Congress.

STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings: Included are updated Council summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees (RPC, RTC, and RWQC), and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).