



## ***Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority Seeks Applicants For Chehalis Basin Board Positions***

In 2016, the Washington State Legislature created the Office of Chehalis Basin to “*aggressively pursue implementation of an integrated strategy and administer funding for long-term flood damage reduction and aquatic species restoration in the Chehalis river basin.*”

The Legislature also created in that same Act a seven-member Chehalis Basin Board to (a) oversee implementation of the Chehalis Basin Strategy and (b) develop biennial and supplemental budget recommendations to the Governor. The Chehalis Basin Board oversees implementation of a comprehensive habitat restoration effort intended to significantly improve the environmental health of the Chehalis River and its tributaries for the benefit of salmon and other aquatic species. The Board also ensures actions are implemented to significantly reduce damage from major floods and protect communities throughout the Basin. The Board additionally makes recommendations to the Washington State Department of Ecology, Governor and Legislature regarding changes in laws, budgets and other actions needed to achieve the objectives of the integrated strategy.

Three of the seven Board members are appointed by the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority. Board members may not have a direct financial interest in the actions of the Board and must possess one or more of the following as listed in [RCW 43.21A.731](#):

- Expertise necessary to provide strong oversight for implementation of the Chehalis Basin Strategy.
- Extensive knowledge of local government processes and functions.
- Understanding of issues relevant to reducing flood damages and restoring aquatic species.

Currently two of the Flood Authority’s four-year appointments to the Board end July 1, 2024 to be replaced with two more four-year terms running July 1, 2024 to July 1, 2028.

Individuals interested in applying for one of the four-year positions to the Board must submit the following to Katrina Sukola ([katrina.sukola@icf.com](mailto:katrina.sukola@icf.com)) **AND** Scott Boettcher ([scottb@sbgh-partners.com](mailto:scottb@sbgh-partners.com)) no later than 5:00 p.m., May 10, 2024:

- One-page statement of interest and experience.
- Statement of commitment to regularly attend Chehalis Basin Board meetings (typically 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month from 9 to 4) and Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority meetings (typically 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of odd numbered months from 10 to 11:30 AM).

Attachment:

- Process Flow to Refill Chehalis Basin Board Positions (4-12-2024) (*updated 4-22-2024*)



**Process Flow To Refill Chehalis Basin Board Positions (4-12-2024)** (updated 4-22-2024)

Refill Two Four-Year Terms Beginning July 1, 2024

