



City Council

Special Recognition - South Sound GREEN Program at Lincoln Options Elementary School

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee

City Manager Recommendation:

Recognize Lincoln Options Elementary students for their participation in the South Sound GREEN (SS GREEN) Program.

Report

Issue:

Whether to recognize Lincoln students for their participation in South Sound GREEN and this year's GREEN Congress.

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Presenter(s):

Michelle Stevie, Senior Program Specialist, Water Resources - Environmental Services
Michael Stine, a 4th/5th grade teacher, and students from Lincoln Options Elementary

Background and Analysis:

For 25 years, the South Sound GREEN (SS GREEN) Program has worked with teachers and elementary-aged children to provide storm and surface water education. As part of the program, students in Michael Stine's class conducted water quality monitoring of Moxlie Creek in Watershed Park. Thurston Conservation District, the Cities of Olympia, Tumwater and Lacey, Thurston County, and Trout Unlimited cooperatively sponsor the program. The curriculum of SS GREEN teaches students how human actions can impact water quality.

Mr. Stine's students attended the SS GREEN regional symposium called GREEN Congress at The Evergreen State College. The student delegates from area schools learned how to analyze the water quality data they collected and prepared short presentations to report their findings. In total, 211 SS

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GREEN students served as Congress delegates this year.

Financial Impact:

Through the Storm and Surface Water Utility, the City of Olympia provides financial support of \$14,400 per year to sponsor the program.

Attachments:

South Sound GREEN Summary