

# Comparison of District Options for Lake Management

	<b>Flood Control Zone Districts RCW 86.19</b>	<b>Lake Management Districts RCW 36.61</b>	<b>Flood Control Districts RCW 86.09</b>
<b>Purpose</b>	Undertaking, operating and maintaining flood control and stormwater control projects, and undertaking water quality protection projects.	To implement a program of lake improvement and maintenance, including control of aquatic vegetation, water quality, control of water levels, stormwater diversion, etc.	Planning, construction , repair etc. of flood control facilities and may engage in all activities authorized for a Lake Management District.
<b>How Formed?</b>	Initiated by Property owner petition or Board of CC resolution. After public hearings, creation by resolution of Board of County Commissioners.	Initiated by property owner petition or resolution of Board of County Commissioners. After public hearings and Board approval, creation requires majority yes votes of District property owners with one vote/\$ of estimated assessment.	Initiated by Property owner petition or Board of County Commissioners resolution. After public hearings and Board approval, creation requires majority yes votes of District property owners.
<b>Time Duration</b>	Unspecified	Created for specified number of years. Continuation past that requires creation of new district.	Unspecified
<b>Funding Source Options</b>	<u>Benefit</u> assessments, ad valorem tax, stormwater charges, and/or LID only.	Benefit assessments and other rates and charges based on <u>benefit, use, frontage, improvements, services, or other reasonable factors.</u>	Benefit assessments and other rates and charges based on <u>benefit or contribution to problems</u> being addressed.
<b>Governing Board</b>	Board of County Commissioners with an Advisory Board	Board of County Commissioners with an Advisory Board	Three person board elected by District property owners
<b>Administration</b>	County Engineer and staff	County Staff	Staff hired by District governing board
<b>Pro's</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Low cost to form and operate.</li> <li>2. Can provide long term facility maintenance</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can charge property owners who contribute to the problems as well as those who benefit</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Governing Board elected directly by property owners.</li> <li>2. Can charge property owners who contribute to the problems as well as those who benefit.</li> <li>3. Long time duration</li> </ol>
<b>Con's</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Limited funding options.</li> <li>2. Difficult to update benefit assessments.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. High cost to form and reform.</li> <li>2. Long term facility maintenance difficult with limited term.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. High cost to form and operate.</li> </ol>