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MIKE EHLEBRACHT NAMED CHAIR OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY MRC

(January 29, 2020) Mike Ehlebracht, Principal Geochemist at Hart Crowser, has been named chair of the Snohomish County Marine Resources Committee (MRC). The MRC is a citizen-based volunteer committee appointed by the Snohomish County Council that advises Snohomish County on approaches to conserve the local marine environment. It conducts restoration, conservation, and education projects with diverse partners and community members. More information about the MRC is at www.snocomrc.org.

Ehlebracht has volunteered for the MRC for six years as an appointed member and as vice-chair. He has been involved in efforts to restore nearshore and beach habitats within Snohomish County to better protect those areas from sea level rise and storm surges, educate the public on climate change issues such as ocean acidification and sea level rise, assess stormwater impacts to the nearshore environment, and develop the MyCoast app, which allows citizen scientists and others to quickly submit photos and reports of coastal events such as storm surges, king tides, and long-term sea level rise to state agencies.

Ehlebracht is also a long-term volunteer with Northwest Environmental Business Council (NEBC) and has served on several Washington State Department of Ecology technical subcommittees.

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