

WAC 135-110-360 Undeclared write-in candidate may be elected if no person files. (1) If no person has filed by the filing deadline, or if the election supervisor finds ineligible all persons who filed, then only undeclared write-in candidates may be elected.

(2) The undeclared write-in candidate, deemed the unofficial winner, must submit required candidate information to the conservation district, and within four weeks (twenty-eight calendar days) following the first date of election, the election supervisor must verify the eligibility of the unofficial winner to be elected and to serve.

(3) If the conservation district is unable to verify eligibility of the unofficial winner within four weeks of the election, the unofficial winner is disqualified. The person receiving the next highest vote count must then submit required candidate information and the conservation district must verify his or her eligibility as described above.

(4) If the undeclared write-in candidate who is the unofficial winner is found ineligible and no other persons received votes, the conservation commission will officially announce another full term of office for the incumbent on the third Thursday in May, but only upon verification by the conservation district of the eligibility of the incumbent to serve in the office of elected conservation district supervisor.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 89.08.040, 89.08.190, and 89.08.200. WSR 10-21-084, § 135-110-360, filed 10/19/10, effective 11/19/10.]