CHEMICALS OF EMERGING CONCERN (CECs) in KING COUNTY FISH

Fish are exposed to many chemicals that can impact their health and survival, and the health of people who consume them. However, data on unregulated contaminants in local fish are extremely limited. This project will expand King County’s existing tissue monitoring program in 2021 to include analysis of chemicals emerging concern (CECs) in some freshwater and marine fish species that are recreationally fished and consumed. The results of this project are a first step towards expanding local knowledge about the exposure of King County freshwater and marine fish to mixtures of CECs.

WHAT YOU CAN DO
Dispose of your medications and cleaning products safely and according to local guidance, use chemical products sparingly, educate yourself and become aware of personal behaviors and consumer choices that affect your health and that of your environment.

ABOUT KING COUNTY
The King County Science and Technical Support Section in the Water and Land Resources Division collects, analyzes, models and interprets information in support of King County’s various environmental programs.

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