

Skagit Watershed Alternative Futures Project

Steering Committee Meeting

Wednesday, March 4, 2009

Skagit Valley College Multi-Purpose Room

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Preliminary Agenda

Meeting

Objectives:

- Discuss GMA Steering Committee action supporting Alternative Futures
- Consider refinements to committee structure and approach.
- Consider size of population projections across all alternative futures.
- Consider how or whether to create "Agriculture/Forestry Future."
- Consider Stakeholder Committee formation issues

9:00 – 9:05 Welcome

- Introduce new representatives from Anacortes, La Conner, and Sedro-Woolley
- Introduce Lisa Dally Wilson

9:05 – 9:15 Agenda Review

- Distribute February meeting notes
- Check availability for April 8th Steering Committee meeting

9:15 – 9:30 Skagit County GMA Steering Committee Support for Alternative Futures

- Role of GMASC in Regional Planning
- Decision-making process if consensus can't be reached

9:30 – 10:30 Committee Organization. Review and discuss:

- Project Table of Organization
- Relationships between Steering Committee and Technical Committees and Technical Committees with each other
- Membership and decision-making rules for Steering Committee and Technical Committees
- Grant-funded research studies and contracts

10:30 – 10:40 Coffee and Snack Break

10:40 – 11:45 Small-Group Discussions

10:40 – 10:45 Brief description of small-group exercise

Separate into small groups to discuss:

- Population projections for all alternative futures
- How or whether to create an "Agriculture-Forestry Future"
- Stakeholder Committee – timing, representation, committee process, educational materials/activities

10:45 – 11:15 Small group discussions

11:15 – 11:45 Small groups report back

11:45 – 11:55 Updates, Ecosystem and Growth Management Vision Statements

11:55 - Next Steps

Noon - Adjourn