

**Skagit County Public Health Department
Marine Recovery Area
Open House Public Meeting
& Septics 101 Schedule
2008**

1. **Wednesday, January 16, 2008:** Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Allen Blanchard United Methodist Church, 16785 Allen West Road, Bow, WA. **MRA meeting focus: Lower Samish Watershed.**
2. **Friday, February 8, 2008:** Public Meeting 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. At WSU Extension Center, 16650 SR 536 (Memorial Hwy), Mount Vernon, WA. **MRA meeting focus: Lower Samish Watershed, Nookachamps Watershed (WRI 3).**
3. **Wednesday, March 5, 2008:** Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Alger Community Hall, 18735 Parkview Lane, Alger, WA. **MRA meeting focus: Upper Samish Watershed.**
4. **Wednesday, March 26, 2008:** Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Samish Valley Grange, 4320 SR 9, Sedro Woolley, WA. **MRA meeting focus: Upper Samish Watershed including Thomas Creek.**
5. **Wednesday, April 16, 2008:** Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Fidalgo School, Gibraltar Road, Anacortes, WA. **MRA meeting focus: Similk Beach and Yokeko Point, Dewey Beach, and Quiet Cove (YDQ).**
6. **Thursday, May 15, 2008:** Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Padilla Bay Reserve Conference Room, 10441 Bay View Edison Road, Bay View (Mount Vernon). **MRA meeting focus: Bay View and Padilla Bay.**
7. **Thursday, May 22, 2008:** Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by Septics 101 at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Samish Island Community Center, 11292 Blue Heron Road, Samish Island (Bow), WA. **MRA meeting focus: Samish Island and Bay, Lower Samish Watershed.**
8. **Saturday, June 28, 2008:** Public Meeting 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. followed by Septics 101 at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. At Guemes Island Community Hall, 7549 Guemes Island Road, Guemes Island (Anacortes). **MRA focus: Guemes Island (sole source aquifer).**
9. **July/August 2008 (tentative): Board of Health Public Hearing regarding Marine Recovery Areas**

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MRA Open House Public Meeting Agenda (approximately 50 minutes)

1. Formal presentation and introductions by Skagit County Public Health: Marine Recovery Area whys and wherefores (15 minutes).
2. Questions, answers, discussion (20 minutes).
3. Open house format; participants view displays and meet water quality partners (15 minutes);
4. Break for Septics 101.

Septics 101 (2 hours)

1. Introductions
2. How on site sewage systems work and why they are designed the way they are
3. How to be a responsible on site sewage system operator; do's and don'ts
4. Break
5. What needs to be monitored, maintained and why
6. Resources available; loan and rebate programs.