

Skagit County 2012 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposals SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

Description of Proposal: A non-project, legislative action to amend the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan. The legislative action consists of three (3) county-initiated proposals -- two (2) of which include amendments to the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan Land Use and Zoning maps; and, one(1) amendment to incorporate by reference the 2012 Skagit County Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan.

This SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) applies to the following:

- C-1. Proposal to amend Skagit County Comprehensive Plan to incorporate by reference the 2012 Skagit County Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan.
- C-2. Proposal to re-designate and rezone P118792, an approximately .3 acre parcel owned by Del Mar Community Service on which are located two water tanks, from Rural Resource-NRL (RRc-NRL) to Rural Reserve (RRv). The subject parcel is generally described as located on Fidalgo Island, south of Marine Drive, east of Rosario Road, and north and west of Sharpe Lane/Sharpe Road. The parcel immediately to the northwest, P19168, was redesignated from Rural Resource-NRL to Rural Reserve in the 2011 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket, leaving P118792 as an isolated island or spot zone of Rural Resource-NRL. This proposal would remedy that situation by re-designating P118792 to Rural Reserve, consistent with the properties surrounding it on all sides.
- C-3. Proposal to re-designate and rezone 4 parcels (P74450, P103560, P103559, P74451), 1.5 acres in size, to Rural Business (RB). The subject parcels are generally described as located along the east side of the Swinomish Channel, and north and west of the Town of La Conner and the Port of Skagit County. The subject properties were designated and zoned Commercial in 1992. Subsequent comprehensive plan updates indicated, in error, that the property was located within the corporate limits of the Town of La Conner. The proposal rectifies the inadvertent mapping error.

Location of Proposal: Lands within the unincorporated areas of Skagit County, WA. See above descriptions for general map amendment locations and parcel numbers. Maps of the amendment proposals may be viewed at www.skagitcounty.net/planning (click on "Annual Comprehensive Plan 2012 Petitions").

Lead Agency: Skagit County Planning & Development Services.

Threshold Determination: Skagit County has determined that this non-project proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of completed environmental

checklists and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This determination of non-significance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); Skagit County will not act on this proposal for at least 14 days from the date of this notice. **Written comments on this threshold determination must be submitted by 4:30 pm, October 10, 2013. E-mail correspondence will not be accepted.** Skagit County accepts comments online only through the form at www.skagitcounty.net/pdscomments.

Appeals process: Pursuant to SCC 14.12.210, no administrative appeal process is available for this DNS on this legislative action. Appeals may be filed with the Growth Management Hearings Board, following final Board of County Commissioner action on the 2012 Comprehensive Plan Amendment docket, based on written comments submitted on the DNS by the deadline noted above.

Comments: Please direct any comments concerning this threshold determination to:

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Skagit County Planning & Development Services

Date of Decision: September 24, 2013

cc: WA Department of Ecology, WA Department of Commerce, Swinomish Tribe, Samish Tribe, Town of LaConner, Port of Skagit County

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