

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES  
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Skagit County Shoreline Master Program Comprehensive Update & Periodic Review

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Completion of the Comprehensive Update and the required Periodic Review of the Skagit County Shoreline Master Program (SMP), a combined planning and regulatory document that contains policies, goals and specific land use regulations for shorelines. The proposed update is a complete rewrite of the current SMP to comply with new state rules and the latest best available science, and to integrate the shoreline policies into the Comprehensive Plan and the shoreline development regulations into the Skagit County Code.

**PROPONENT:** Skagit County, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed SMP Update would affect lands within shoreline jurisdiction. Shoreline jurisdiction includes marine waters, rivers with a flow greater than 20 cubic feet per second, lakes and 20 acres or larger, upland areas within 200 feet of these water bodies and portions of the floodplains and wetlands associated with these shorelines. It only applies to lands outside cities and towns, in unincorporated areas of the county.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Skagit County Planning and Development Services

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2)(C). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2). The update of the SMP is a legislative project. Project materials are available online at [www.skagitcounty.net/smp](http://www.skagitcounty.net/smp)

Comments are accepted via the online open house or on paper. All comments must be received by Monday, June 7, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. and include (1) your full name, (2) your mailing address, and (3) the proposal name ("Skagit County SMP Update Comments") in the subject line.

Submitting comments via the online open house is preferred and must be sent to <https://www.skagitsmpopenhouse.com/> Include your comments in the body of your online message rather than as attachments. Paper comments must be printed on 8½ x 11 paper and mailed or delivered to the address below:

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