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Memorandum: Critical Areas Ordinance

To: Board of County Commissioners
From: Jack Moore, Director
Robby Eckroth, Senior Planner
Date: November 17, 2025
Re: Critical Areas Ordinance – 3rd Draft Public Comments

Planning and Development Services (PDS) provides this memorandum in advance of the Board of County Commissioner's November 25, 2025 deliberations meeting on the 2025 Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) update.

Following the Board's October 28, 2025 work session on the third draft of the CAO update, Skagit County accepted written public comments from October 30 to November 14, 2025. During this period, the County received 20 public comment submissions, which are included as **Exhibit A**.

PDS has also prepared a draft ordinance for adoption of the CAO update. This draft is provided as **Exhibit B** for the Board's review and consideration. The Board may take action to adopt the 2025 CAO update at the November 25, 2025 deliberations meeting.

Exhibits

- **Exhibit A** – Third draft public comments
- **Exhibit B** – Draft ordinance and third draft of the 2025 Critical Areas Ordinance Update dated October 14, 2025