

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC HEARING
SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SKAGIT COUNTY CODE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE,
TITLE 14, SECTIONS 14.04 DEFINITIONS, 14.32 DRAINAGE ORDINANCE, AND 14.44
ENFORCEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the Skagit County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the above described proposed amendments to Skagit County Code.

The purpose of the proposed code amendments is to address the mandated ordinance condition of the Phase II (Western Washington) Municipal General Stormwater National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit by which Skagit County is required to comply.

Skagit County Planning & Development services issued a Determination of Non-significance (DNS) on January 19, 2010, which was published on January 21, 2010, regarding these proposed code amendments. This threshold determination indicated that the proposal did not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. A 14-day comment period is associated with the threshold determination pursuant to RCW 43.21C and WAC 197.11.

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room of the Skagit County Commissioners' Administrative Building located at 1800 Continental Place Mount Vernon, Washington, beginning at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible and continuing until no further comment is forthcoming. Deliberations on the matter are scheduled to be held on March 2, 2010.

Further information and/or copies of the proposed code amendments will be available beginning on Friday, January 22, 2010, at the Planning & Development Services office, 1800 Continental Pl, Mount Vernon, Washington, between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday excluding holidays and mandatory County closure days. These documents will also be available on the Planning & Development Services website www.skagitcounty.net/planning.

Your views for or against the proposed modifications are invited by attendance, representation, or letter. Written correspondence, including facsimile transmittal or questions, may be submitted to: Skagit County Public Works, c/o Lori Wight, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, Washington, 98273, (360) 419-3419 or FAX (360) 336-9478. Written comments (faxed, mailed, or delivered) will be received at the Planning & Development Services until 3:30 p.m. on Friday, February 5, 2010. Written comments may also be submitted at the public hearing. E-mails will not be accepted.

Written correspondence submittal requirements. Comments on the proposal must be submitted on 8 ½" x 11" paper. Maps must be in black and white and also reduced to 8 ½" x 11" size for reproduction purposes. Submittals not meeting these requirements will, unfortunately, not be considered. Please specifically reference the proposed ordinance or issue that the comments relate to.

For citizens with special needs, the Skagit Room is accessible. Persons with special needs or disabilities are asked to call the Commissioners' Office at (360) 336-9300 at least 96 hours before the hearing to discuss and arrange any needed accommodations.