

Skagit County Community Advisory Group on Agrotourism Policy

Thursday, April 10, 2025

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Skagit Publishing Community Room
1215 Anderson Rd, Mount Vernon, WA 98274

Advisory Group Purpose Statement:

To provide policy guidance to PDS staff in drafting an Agritourism Code that addresses the Board of County Commissioners' remand criteria, supporting the Skagit County Planning Commission's continued work with the public and the Agricultural Advisory Board to develop a revised recommendation on Agritourism for the Board of County Commissioners. Resolution [#R20240132](#)

Advisory Group Organization:

Advisory group includes a diverse representation of Skagit County farmers with backgrounds in farming and agriculture, including those with interest and/or experience in agrotourism.

April 10 Meeting Objectives:

1. Solidify working relationships among advisory group members and with Skagit County and facilitator staff.
2. Review March 27 discussion and Action items
3. Revisit the CAG overview document as a basic framework for the meeting series including topics of: group purpose and desired outcomes; communication norms, decision making process and meeting logistics.
4. Begin conversation to define agrotourism (remand topic #1).

Materials:

- 3/27 Meeting actions table/ Meeting Summary
- Revised CAG Overview document (v2)
- Revised timeline with hyperlinks
- [Links to public comment](#)
- [Voluntary compliance language](#)

Proposed Agenda

Time	Topic / Activity	Lead
8:45- 9:00	Attendees arrive; coffee and light pastries	
9:00- 9:15	Welcome and orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roundtable introductions and opening remarks• Agenda Review• Review status of March 27 action items<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Updates from County on Timeline document and webpage of resources	Meg Harris, facilitator, Triangle Associates

9:15 – 9:50	Revisit CAG Overview document <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose statement and outcomes • Decision making process • Meeting dates, times and hybrid logistics • Plan for finalizing document • Topic Schedule 	Meg Harris, facilitator
9:50-10:00	10-minute break	
10:00- 10:55	Definition of agrotourism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review examples submitted by CAG members and compiled by the County • Facilitated discussion • Plan for developing a recommendation 	Tara Satushek, Skagit County All
10:55- 11:00	Review Action items and next steps	Meg Harris, facilitator
11:00	Adjourn	

Next meeting (April 24th):

- Revisit the definition of agrotourism (topic #1)
- Begin topic #5

Meeting dates:

Thursday, April 24th

Thursday, May 8th

Thursday, May 22nd

Thursday, June 5th

Meetings during the weeks of June 16th and July 1 not yet scheduled.