Skagit County Community Advisory Group on Agritourism Policy

Thursday, May 08, 2025 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

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 agritourism.

Meeting Objectives:

- Solidify working relationships among advisory group members and with Skagit County and facilitator staff.
- Come to an agreement on accessory uses and thresholds for allowed agritourism activities.
- Determine next steps towards a definition for agritourism.
- Review topic schedule and meeting calendar; set meeting dates for June and July.

Materials:

- 1. 0424 Action Items and Decision Points.docx
- 2. (for review) Skagitonians- Meetings and notes- including accessory uses.docx
- 3. (for review) \(\frac{1}{2} \) 8-7-23+Final+Agritourism+Stakeholder+Group+Notes.pdf
- 4. Tracking parallel and peripheral activities.docx

Folder of all supporting materials: Supporting Materials

Proposed Agenda

Time	Topic / Activity	Lead
8:45- 9:00	Attendees arrive	
9:00- 9:15	 Welcome and orientation Hellos and opening remarks Agenda Review Review status action items 	Meg Harris, facilitator, Triangle Associates
9:15-9:30	Standing agenda item: Status of other activities and processes Tracking parallel and peripheral activities.docx	CAG members

9:30-11:30 (floating break)	 Discussion of remand topics Accessory uses and thresholds Definition of agritourism Geography 	All
11:30-11:50	Process for coming to recommendations	All
11:50-12:00	Review Action items and next steps • Action Items • Review topic schedule and meeting calendar	Meg Harris, facilitator
12:00	Adjourn	

Next meeting (May 22nd):

- Revisit remand topics 1,3,4, and 5 as needed
- Hear from and ask questions of County Attorney, Jason D.
- Determine readiness for Skagit Tulip festival (#2); Identify needs for presentations/updates

Meeting dates (9 AM to 12 PM unless noted otherwise):

March 27 th	May 8 th	May 29 th (proposed)	Replace: June 5th
April 10 th 9-11 AM	May 22 nd	June 12 (proposed)	Tuesday, June 17 th
April 24 th		June 26 (proposed)	July 3 rd