

Skagit County Community Advisory Group on Agritourism Policy

Thursday, May 29, 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.
- Members will meet with Jenn. Agritourism Consultant to learn about the State-level [WA Agritourism Study & Report](#) and assist in assessing consistency with court decisions and state-level process. **(Topic 5)**
- Revisit remand responses shared ahead of the meeting and confirm the approach to reaching consensus. **(Topics 1, 2 and 6)**
- Define thresholds based on activities, intensity and frequency. **(Topic 1 & 4)**
- Review the topic schedule and future meeting objectives.

Materials:

- [Meeting Actions table May 22](#)
- [WA Agritourism Study & Report](#)
- Folder of remand responses: ☐ [Supporting Materials](#) > ☐ [Remand responses](#)

Proposed Agenda

Time	Topic / Activity	Materials
8:45- 9:00	Attendees arrive	
9:00- 9:15	Welcome and orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hellos and opening remarks• Agenda Review• Review status action items	Meeting Actions table May 22
9:15-10:15 (60 mins)	Consistency with court decisions and state-level process (Topic 5) Guest: Jenn. Agritourism Consultant Share out on the State-level WA Agritourism Study & Report and state-level actions to define agritourism. Outcome: Identify inconsistencies or outstanding questions.	WA Agritourism Study & Report

10:15-10:30	Break*	
10:30-10:50 (20 mins)	Remand responses out for review (Topics 1, 2 and 6) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments on remand responses shared ahead of the meeting Confirm the approach to reaching consensus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 17- Responses to all remand topics June 26- Consensus <p>Outcome: Approach to drafting responses and coming to consensus.</p>	 Remand responses
10:50-11:50 (60 mins)	Defining thresholds (Topic 1 and 4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue effort to define thresholds within agritourism based on activity, intensity and frequency. <p>Outcome: Clearly defined categories or thresholds that can be incorporated into the response for Topic 1.</p>	
11:55-12:00	Review Action items and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action Items Review topic schedule and meeting calendar 	CAG overview with topic schedule
12:00	Adjourn	

Next Meetings:

All meetings at Skagit Publishing except otherwise noted

- Tuesday, June 17 (Location: Padilla Bay)
- Thursday, June 26