

Agritourism

Deliberations – Proposed Agritourism Code Amendments

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Agritourism Website:

<https://www.skagitcounty.net/departments/planningandpermit/agtourismmain.htm>



Overview of Agritourism Amendments

- Agritourism definition, purpose, and intent.
- 3 levels of Agritourism based on attendance and frequency of events.
- General limitations and performance standards.
- Prohibits Limited Event Venues, restaurants, music venues, concerts, and regularly occurring celebratory gatherings (e.g., weddings) in the Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands zone.



Existing Agritourism Uses

- Non-conforming agritourism uses established prior to the moratorium had opportunity to enter into a Voluntary Compliance Agreement (VCA) with Skagit County.
- Existing operations that have entered into VCA with County are not subject to new Agritourism code unless operations are proposed to change or expand.
- Existing operations permitted by Special Use Permit can also continue to operate if they still meet conditions of approval unless operations are proposed to change or expand.



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Summary and Discussion of Public Comments

- **Public comment** period held from Thursday **March 26, 2026** and closed on Wednesday, **April 15, 2026 at 4:30pm.**
- Public Hearing held April 13, 2026.
- 23 public comments were received.
- Staff prepared a Public Comment Summary Matrix which summarizes the comments and provides PDS staff response.



Questions?



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