



Planning & Development Services

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Notice of Availability

including notice of SEPA threshold determination, written comment period, and public hearing

Proposal Information

Publish date:	07/03/2020
Proposal name:	Skagit County Countywide Planning Policies
Documents available at:	https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningAndPermit/communplan.htm
Lead Agency:	Skagit County Planning & Development Services
Contact Person:	Peter Gill, Long Range Planner
SEPA Responsible Official:	Hal Hart, Director
Public hearing body:	Skagit County Planning Commission
Public hearing date:	Tuesday, July 21, 2020, at 6 p.m.
Written comment deadline:	Friday, July 24, 2020, at 4:30 p.m.

Proposal Description

The Skagit County Countywide Planning Policies are used solely for establishing a countywide framework from which county and city comprehensive plans are developed and adopted. The proposed changes were limited in scope to cleaning up references, comparing with the current Growth Management Act (GMA), RCW 36.70A. No new policy direction or substantial changes to policies were considered. A staff report summarizing the proposal is available at the website above.

SEPA Threshold Determination

Skagit County has determined that this proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement is not required under the State Environmental Policy Act, RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This determination was made after review of a completed

environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency and is available upon request.

This determination is issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-340(2). Skagit County will not act on this proposal during the comment period. Written comments regarding this Determination of Nonsignificance must be submitted by the deadline above and in the same manner as other comments. Pursuant to SCC 16.12.210, no administrative appeal process is available for this legislative action.

How to Comment

Option 1: Email comments are preferred and must be sent to pdscomments@co.skagit.wa.us with the proposal name (“Skagit County Countywide Planning Policies”) in the subject line. Include your comments in the body of your email message rather than as attachments.

Option 2: Paper comments must be printed on 8½x11 paper and mailed or delivered to:

Comments on proposed “Skagit County Countywide Planning Policies”
Planning and Development Services
1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon WA 98273

All comments must be received by the deadline referenced above, and include your full name and mailing address. Comments not meeting these requirements will not be considered.

Option 3: You may also comment in person. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the hearing will be held as a remote meeting. If you wish to provide verbal testimony, please send email to pdscomments@co.skagit.wa.us, with your name, phone number, and include a request to be added to the speakers list in the body of the email. All requests must be received 24 hours prior to the Public Hearing Date referenced above. Public hearing testimony is usually limited to three minutes, so written comments are preferred.

Anyone who plans to attend the public hearing and has special needs or disabilities should contact Planning and Development Services at (360) 416-1320 at least 96 hours before the hearing to discuss and arrange any special accommodations.