

**Skagit County Countywide Planning Policies  
Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) and Incorporation by Reference of Existing  
Environmental Documentation**

**Description of Proposal:** Amendments to the Skagit County Countywide Planning Policies. This is a non-project legislative action. These 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.

**Proponent:** Skagit County Planning and Development Services

**Location of Proposal:** Applies to cities, towns and unincorporated areas of Skagit County.

**Lead Agency:** Skagit County Planning & Development Services.

**Threshold Determination:** Skagit County has determined that this non-project proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of completed environmental checklists and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request and at [www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningAndPermit/communplan.htm](http://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningAndPermit/communplan.htm)

This determination of non-significance is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); Skagit County will not act on this proposal for at least 14 days from the date of this notice. **Written comments on this threshold determination must be submitted by 4:30 pm, July 24, 2020.**

**Appeals process:** Pursuant to SCC 16.12.210, no administrative appeal process is available for this DNS on this legislative action. Appeals may be filed with the Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board, following final Board of County Commissioner action on the proposal, based on written comments submitted on the DNS by the deadline noted above.

**Comments:** Comments are accepted digitally or on paper, please include (1) your full name, (2) your mailing address, and (3) the proposal name in the subject line. Email comments are preferred and must be sent to [pdscomments@co.skagit.wa.us](mailto:pdscomments@co.skagit.wa.us). Include your comments in the body of your email message rather than as attachments. Please direct any comments concerning this threshold determination to:

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**SEPA Responsible Official:** Hal Hart, AICP, Director/Administrative Official,  
Skagit County Planning & Development Services



**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

Hal Hart, Director/Administrative Official  
Skagit County Planning & Development Services

**Date of Decision:** June 30, 2020

cc: Washington State Dept. of Ecology, attached mailing list