



Planning & Development Services

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Notice of Availability

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

Proposal Information

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| Publish date: | July 6, 2023 |
| Proposal name: | Agritourism proposed code changes |
| Documents available at: | https://www.skagitcounty.net/departments/planningandpermit/agtourismmain.htm |
| Lead Agency: | Skagit County Planning & Development Services |
| Contact Person: | Sarah Ruether |
| SEPA Responsible Official: | Jack Moore, Director |
| Public hearing body: | Skagit County Planning Commission |
| Public hearing date: | Tuesday, July 25, 2023, at 6 p.m. |
| Written comment deadline: | Thursday, July 27, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. |

Proposal Description

This legislative proposal would amend Title 14 of Skagit County Code to add a definition of agritourism in Chapter 14.04 and amend the definition of agricultural accessory use to add additional criteria. Nothing has been proposed to be removed from the definition of agricultural accessory use. This legislative proposal would amend Skagit County Code 14.15.900(2) for administrative special use permits to add additional conditions and reduce the number of temporary events permitted in AgNRL. This reduction in the number of events permitted is not applicable to other zones, it is only applicable to AgNRL. This condition also states that all events on AgNRL must be accessory to agricultural use and incidental and subordinate to a working farm.

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 and at the above listed website.

This determination is issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-340(2). Skagit County will not act on this proposal for at least 14 days from the publish date indicated in the table above. Written comments regarding this Determination of Nonsignificance must be submitted by the written comment 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.

SEPA Responsible Official: Jack Moore Director/Administrative Official,
Skagit County Planning & Development Services

Signature _____



Jack Moore, Director

Date of Decision: July 6, 2023

How to Comment

Comments are accepted via email or on paper. All comments must be received by the deadline and include (1) your full name, (2) your mailing address, and (3) the proposal name ("Agritourism proposed code changes") in the subject line. Comments not meeting these requirements will not be considered.

Email comments are preferred and must be sent to pdscomments@co.skagit.wa.us. Include your comments in the body of your email message rather than as attachments.

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

Comments on proposed "Agritourism proposed code changes"
Planning and Development Services
1800 Continental Place,
Mount Vernon WA 98273

If you would prefer to provide verbal remarks at the public hearing, please do so via computer using the following link: : <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89244005472?pwd=L056TEpTc1J4YmUwT25pYjBITG1vdz09>

or by Phone: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 892 4400 5472 Passcode: 0982730

Note: If you choose to use your computer you must be connected to the internet and have a microphone and speaker.

Anyone who plans to attend the public hearing and has special needs or disabilities should contact the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners at (360) 416-1300 at least 96 hours before the hearing to discuss and arrange any special accommodations.