



Photo by Leah Forbes

A REVISED VERSION OF THE SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM is now available on the County's website **SHORELINE DESIGNATION MAPS** have been updated and are also available www.skagitcounty.net/smp

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **FORMAL RELEASE / PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - APRIL 22, 2021 through JUNE 7, 2021 4:30 P.M.**
- **PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION - APRIL 27, 2021 at 6 P.M.**
- **PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING - MAY 11, 2021 at 6 P.M.**
- **MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETING - MAY 13, 2021 6-7 P.M.** - Please register in advance at [Register For A Public Meeting — Skagit County Shoreline Master Program Update \(squarespace.com\)](#)
- **COMMENTS DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** will be accepted on the online open house platform at [Skagit County Shoreline Master Program Update \(squarespace.com\)](#) and also by mail to Skagit County Planning and Development Services ATT: SMP Comment|1800 Continental Place| Mount Vernon, WA 98274

OVERVIEW

Skagit County is in the process of completing both the Comprehensive Update and Periodic Review of its SMP.

Both the Comprehensive Update and the Periodic Review are required for compliance with the state's Shoreline Management Act.

A very extensive public process for the Comprehensive Update of the SMP occurred previously, and culminated in 2016 with a recommendation by the Planning Commission to approve the proposed SMP with specified changes. However, final adoption of the SMP to complete the Comprehensive Update did not occur.

Despite not completing the Comprehensive Update, the County must now conduct the Periodic Review per the state-mandated timeline. The County will complete both the Comprehensive Update and Periodic Review with the updated SMP.

NEXT STEPS

Responses to comments received during the public comment period will be prepared and presented to the Planning Commission during their deliberations this summer. The Planning Commission will prepare a Recorded Motion, which presents their findings and recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners.

The updated SMP will be adopted by Skagit County, followed by formal review and adoption by Washington State Department of Ecology.



Young Island by Betsy Stevenson



Greater Yellow Legs Wiley Slough by Megan Cardenas

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SKAGIT COUNTY SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM UPDATE webpage www.skagitcounty.net/smp

For current documents and all the historical SMP Update information. To view past public monthly meetings.

SMP ONLINE OPEN HOUSE [Skagit County Shoreline Master Program Update \(squarespace.com\)](http://Skagit County Shoreline Master Program Update (squarespace.com))

To get additional SMP comprehensive update and periodic review information. To learn about the public comment process. To register for the May 13 monthly public meeting.

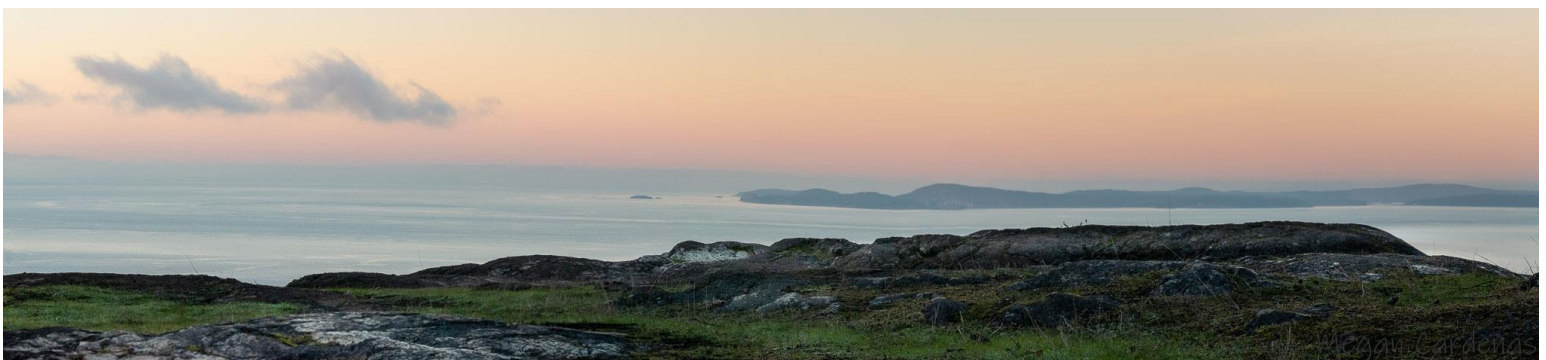
PLANNING COMMISSION Skagit County Planning Commission

For meeting schedules, meeting materials, agendas, transcripts, audio and video.

FOR GENERAL QUESTIONS you can email SMPPDS@co.skagit.wa.us

Or contact Betsy Stevenson, AICP, SMP Project Manager | 360.416-1323

Please note that our office is currently closed to the public. If you wish to make an appointment for an in-person meeting, please email the SMPPDS site and we can work out the details to get it scheduled.



Sharpe Sunrise by Megan Cardenas