

*Jefferson County Shoreline Master Program Update*  
**Shoreline Policy Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, January 11, 2007      1:00 – 5:00 pm**

Tri-Area Community Center  
10 W. Valley Road, Chimacum      360/732-4822

**AGENDA\***

- 1:00 pm      Welcome & Introductions**
- 1:05 pm      Public Comment\*\***
- 1:15 pm      Master Program Elements: Goals & Policies** (1:00 hr)  
    • Chapter 3 - Follow-up discussion from 12/14/06 meeting
- 2:15 pm      Break**
- 2:30 pm      Shoreline Environment Designations (SEDs)** (2:15 hrs)  
    • Introduction to SEDs  
    • Chapter 4 – Shoreline Jurisdiction and Environment Designations
- 4:45 pm      Public Comment\*\***
- 4:55 pm      Announcements**
- 5:00 pm      Adjourn**

SPAC Members

Citizen Representatives

Al Bergstein, Karen Best  
(Alt. Kevin Tuuri), Dick  
Broders, Greg Coates,  
Jerry Gorsline, Sarah  
Krueger (Alt. Reed Waite),  
Bill Mahler (Alt. Bill Brock),  
Eveleen Muehlethaler (Alt.  
Alice McConaughy),  
Connie Muggli

Local Government Entities

Scott Brewer, Larry  
Crockett, Peter Downey  
(Alt. Bill Miller), Al Latham,  
Judy Surber

State Agencies

John Cambalik\*, Randi  
Thurston\* (Alt. Jeff Davis\*),  
Hugo Flores/David  
Roberts/Ross Goodwin,  
Jeffree Stewart\*

Tribal Co-Managers

Hans Daubenberger\*,  
Marty Ereth, Aleta  
Erickson, Mike McHenry,  
Steve Allison\* (Alt. Tim  
Snowden)

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at Jefferson County Library

*\*Agenda times shown are approximate and subject to change without notice; some discussions may be longer/shorter than anticipated*

*\*\*Public Comment Period – Anyone wishing to provide comments is encouraged to 1) sign-up on the Public Comment Sign-up sheet upon arrival; 2) keep comments concise, civil and clearly spoken; and 3) recognize the SPAC has no authority on current development proposals or permit applications. Beyond these scheduled comment periods, the audience is welcome to observe the committee in a work session, but should not anticipate ongoing dialogue between the committee and the audience.*

**SMP Guidelines [excerpted]**

**WAC 173-26-191 Master Program Contents**

**1(d) Shoreline environment designations.**

Shoreline management must address a wide range of physical conditions and development settings along shoreline areas. Effective shoreline management requires that the shoreline master program prescribe different sets of environmental protection measures, allowable use provisions, and development standards for each of these shoreline segments.

The method for local government to account for different shoreline conditions is to assign an environment designation to each distinct shoreline section in its jurisdiction. The environment designation assignments provide the framework for implementing shoreline policies and regulatory measures specific to the environment designation.

**WAC 173-26-211 Environment Designation System**

**(1) Applicability.**

This section applies to the establishment of environment designation boundaries and provisions as described in WAC 173-26-191 (1)(d).

**(2) Basic requirements for environment designation classification and provisions.**

(a) Master programs shall contain a system to classify shoreline areas into specific environment designations. This classification system shall be based on the existing use pattern, the biological and physical character of the shoreline, and the goals and aspirations of the community as expressed through comprehensive plans as well as the criteria in this section. Each master program's classification system shall be consistent with that described in WAC 173-26-211 (4) and (5) unless the alternative proposed provides equal or better implementation of the act.

(b) An up-to-date and accurate map of the shoreline area delineating the environment designations and their boundaries shall be prepared and maintained in the local government office that administers shoreline permits. If it is not feasible to accurately designate individual parcels on a map, the master program text shall include a clear basis for identifying the boundaries, physical features, explicit criteria, or "common" boundary descriptions to accurately define and distinguish the environments on the ground. The master program should also make it clear that in the event of a mapping error, the jurisdiction will rely upon common boundary descriptions and the criteria contained in RCW 90.58.030(2) and chapter 173-22 WAC pertaining to determinations of shorelands, as amended, rather than the incorrect or outdated map.

**(4) General Environment Designation Provisions.**

(a) Requirements - For each environment designation, the shoreline master program shall describe:

(i) Purpose statement - The statement of purpose shall describe the shoreline management objectives of the designation in a manner that distinguishes it from other designations.

(ii) Classification criteria - Clearly stated criteria shall provide the basis for classifying or reclassifying a specific shoreline area with an environment designation.

(iii) Management policies - These policies shall be in sufficient detail to assist in the interpretation of the environment designation regulations and, for jurisdictions planning under chapter 36.70A RCW, to evaluate consistency with the local comprehensive plan.

(iv) Regulations - Environment-specific regulations shall address the following where necessary to account for different shoreline conditions:

(A) Types of shoreline uses permitted, conditionally permitted, and prohibited;

(B) Building or structure height and bulk limits, setbacks, maximum density or minimum frontage requirements, and site development standards; and

(C) Other topics not covered in general use regulations that are necessary to assure implementation of the purpose of the environment designation.

(b) The recommended classification system - The recommended classification system consists of six basic environments:

"High-intensity," "shoreline residential," "urban conservancy," "rural conservancy," "natural," and "aquatic" as described in this section and WAC 173-26-211(5). Local governments should assign all shoreline areas an environment designation consistent with the corresponding designation criteria provided for each environment. In delineating environment designations local government should assure that existing shoreline ecological functions are protected with the proposed pattern and intensity of development. Such designations should also be consistent with policies for restoration of degraded shorelines.

(c) Alternative systems

(i) Local governments may establish a different designation system or may retain their current environment designations, provided it is consistent with the purposes and policies of this section and WAC 173-26-211(5).

(ii) Local governments may use "parallel environments" where appropriate. Parallel environments divide shorelands into different sections generally running parallel to the shoreline or along a physical feature such as a bluff or railroad right of way. Such environments may be useful, for example, to accommodate resource protection near the shoreline and existing development further from the shoreline. Where parallel environments are used, developments and uses allowed in one environment should not be inconsistent with the achieving the purposes of the other.