



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Planning & Community Development **Analyst:** Yorik Stevens-Wajda
ECAF: 68122
Proposal: Proposed Ordinance 19-020 **Date:** May 3, 2019

Consideration

Ordinance 19-020 would approve the 2019 periodic update to the county's Shoreline Management Program. Planning & Development Services proposes using the optional joint (with Ecology) review process and public comment period provided by WAC 173-26-104. See exhibit A for a proposed consideration schedule.

Background

The Snohomish County Shoreline Management Program, an element of the county's comprehensive plan, addresses requirements of the Shoreline Management Act. The Shoreline Management Act (Chapter [90.58 RCW](#)) was adopted in 1974 to prevent the inherent harm in an uncoordinated and piecemeal development of the state's shorelines by coordinating planning to protect the public interest while recognizing and protecting private property rights consistent with the public interest.

The Snohomish County [Shoreline Management Program](#) consists of three major components and several related supporting documents. The official Shoreline Management Program consists of the following documents:

- 1) [Shoreline Management Program](#): Environment Designations, Policies and Regulations
 - Shoreline environment designation criteria and management policies
 - Policies guiding shoreline uses and modifications
- 2) A series of shoreline designation [maps](#), which indicate shoreline jurisdiction and shoreline environment designations
- 3) Shoreline regulations:
 - Chapter [30.44 SCC](#) Shoreline Permits: permit requirements, processes and review criteria
 - Chapter [30.67 SCC](#) Shoreline Management Program: development standards, including types of shoreline uses permitted, conditionally permitted, and prohibited by shoreline environment; bulk regulations; development standards for specific uses and modifications within each shoreline environment designation

The county is required by state law (RCW [90.58.080](#)) to conduct a review and update of its Shoreline Management Program every eight years. This review must demonstrate consistency with all of the changes to shoreline laws (Chapter [90.58 RCW](#)) and guidelines (Chapter [173-26 WAC](#)) that have been adopted by the state since the County's last Shoreline Management Program Update in 2012, and with the county's

comprehensive plan and development regulations, and other local requirements. The county also uses the review to reflect changing local circumstances, new information or improved data.

Current Proposal

Ordinance 19-020 would approve the 2019 periodic update to the county's Shoreline Management Program, including a revised Shoreline Management Program document, revised shoreline designation maps, and revised shoreline regulations.

Fiscal Impacts

2018 Budget: No impact.

Future Budgets: No impact.

Handling: Urgent. June 30 deadline for adoption. See proposed schedule in Exhibit A.

Approved-as-to-form: Yes

Risk Management: N/A

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Attachments: Exhibit A – Proposed schedule using optional joint review process

ECAF Packet Contents

Note: the full packet is available electronically in pdf form on the May 7 planning committee agenda page, accessible through the council's meetings webpage at <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/2288/Meetings-Webcasts>

- **ECAF Form** (pages 1-2 of the [pdf](#))
- **PDS April 26, 2019 memo** re: ECAF transmittal and PDS actions since the planning commission's recommendation (pages 3-52 of the [pdf](#))
 - Attachment A: Responses to written comments submitted to the planning commission (pages 7-41 of the [pdf](#))
 - Attachment B: PDS November 19, 2018 memo re: responses to questions from the planning commission (pages 42-44 of the [pdf](#))
 - Attachment C: Department of Ecology November 26, 2018 comment letter (pages 45-52 of the [pdf](#))
- **Proposed Ordinance 19-020** (pages 53-412 of the [pdf](#))
 - Exhibit A: Shoreline Management Program: Shoreline Environment Designations, Policies, and Regulations document with revision marks (pages 127-364 of the [pdf](#))
 - Exhibit B: Shoreline Environment Designation Maps (pages 365-412 of the [pdf](#))
- **PDS October 9, 2018 memo** re: supplemental staff report to the planning commission (pages 413-468 of the [pdf](#))
 - Attachment 5: PDS May 4, 2018 memo re: staff report to the planning commission (pages 454-468 of the [pdf](#))
- **Analyses of effects on housing, jobs, capital facilities** (pages 469-471 of the [pdf](#))
- **Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Checklist** (pages 472-478 of the [pdf](#))

Exhibit A – Proposed schedule using optional joint review process

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-------------|--|--|---|----------|------------------------------------|
| May | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| | 6 Intro and refer ordinance at admin. session | 7 Briefing at planning committee | 8 Schedule public hearing at GLS | 9 | 10 Comment period begins |
| | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | 27-Holiday | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| June | 3 | 4 | 5 Council/Ecology public hearing 10:30 a.m. | 6 | 7 |
| | 10 | 11 End of public comment period – 5 p.m. | Staff responds to comments, develops... | | |
| | 17 | 18 Status update at committee | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| | ... amendments as needed, works with Ecology on initial determination | | | | |
| | 24 | 25 | 26 Council consideration at public hearing | 27 | 28 DEADLINE |