

Shoreline Master Program Update

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Planning Commission Briefing

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- Local government is required to characterize their shoreline through *an analysis of ecosystem-wide processes and shoreline ecological functions* and provide a *detailed inventory of current shoreline and adjacent land use conditions*. The findings from this analysis used to create an informed shoreline zoning overlay, and to determine allowable uses and development regulations.

SMP Update Tasks

- Task 1-Coordination

Ecology, Inter-jurisdictional SMP Work Group, Scientific Technical Advisory Group

- Task 2-Public Information and Outreach

Develop public outreach plan and implement

Two series of public meeting sessions, 2008 and 2009

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Tasks-continued

- Task 3-Preliminary Shoreline Jurisdiction, Goals and Policies
- Task 4-Inventory and Analysis of Shoreline Conditions
Inventory and Acquisition of relevant data. Analysis and Characterization
- Task 5-Environmental Designations and Shoreline Regulations

Tasks-continued

- Task 6-Address Cumulative impacts
- Task 7-Restoration Plan
Existing efforts, needs, future plan
- Task 8-Local Adoption and State Approval

Where are we?

- Thurston County's update is due in 2011.
- The County was awarded the full amount of the proposal for a 3 yr project with the understanding that the 3rd year is not obligated until appropriations are secured. Funding for the next biennium has been approved.
- We are currently finalizing Task 4-Inventory and Characterization and getting it out for review by the public and the Scientific Technical Advisory Group.
- The next step is to proceed with the Shoreline Environmental Designations and complete the Goals and Policies.