

City of NORTH BONNEVILLE

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SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM UPDATE

COMMUNITY VISION WORK GROUP MEETING FEB. 7, 2012

Attending: City Staff -

Tom Jermann, Jennifer Lindsay

City Planning Commission -

Greg Hartnell, Robert Bianchi, Ronald Winter, Joana Fry, Sharon Runkles

City Council -

Jennifer Stratton-Pies

Port of Skamania County -

John McSherry

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife -

George Fornes

Local citizens and property owners -

Teresa Deras, Ted Salka, Quincy Anderson, Jake Meyer

Key Issues/Concerns Discussed

Concerns over the update process

• That the state has a master plan that really won't regard what we pass locally.

Agency and staff input was given that the Department of Ecology, the regulating state agency, does want local input and a plan that reflects local needs, etc. It was also discussed that abandoning the update process locally would guarantee that new regulations, etc. would come from the state without our input. Staff also explained that we are working on "draft documents" and that there will be many opportunities to have input throughout the process.

• Why do we have to regulate more?

It was discussed again at this meeting that the Shoreline Master Program had not been updated in over 30 years and that it needed to be amended to take into account new local and state regulations that have been passed since it was adopted. This would also provide updates for the new uses, changes and vision for the shorelines that have not been done for years. North Bonneville was relocated after the existing regulations were adopted which makes updating even more important.

Overlapping of permits, regulations, fees and timing (critical lands, shoreline, SEPA, etc.)

- High costs because of overlapping requirements, regulations, and time delays.
- Different rules, etc. for same proposal.

It was brought up and discussed why permits couldn't be more "one stop" with fees, times, etc. combined and made easier and less expensive. Staff pointed out the problems of different rules, permits, timing, etc. and that some are state and local requirements that probably can't be combined or eliminated. The Shoreline Permit and hydraulic permits have less local control and require more state oversight and time delays than most permits. State law mandates many of the rules and any revision that could potentially streamline the process would require changing the state laws.



Protection of Private Property Rights

• Need to protect landowners right to use their property.

Staff pointed out that public access means access on public, not private, lands. Concerns were also expressed that this update should not take away any more rights than existing regulations and property owners should have a right to "use" their property.

• What about existing and allowed uses along shorelines?

There was discussion on the protection of rights in relation to existing and allowed uses within the 200' designated shorelines and within the existing 50' shoreline setbacks. Any update should protect these rights.

Public access – Boat launch, beaches, fishing, pier, paths, viewpoints, etc.

- Any access should be tied to the requirements needed for the access such as:
 - 1. Parking
 - 2. Sanitation
 - 3. Garbage
 - 4. Signage
 - 5. Fees

Restoration plans

Restoration and mitigation plans should also be applied if possible to proposed restoration done
not necessarily on site (i.e. other locations in the reach; other reaches and other restoration
opportunities within the jurisdiction and outside the jurisdiction; not owned by proponent). Big
picture versus small. This would allow for more restoration opportunities were on site
restoration is not feasible or off site would be better.