ADDENDUM NO. 2
TO THE
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2015 UPDATE

Adoption of Amendments to the General Policy Plan of the Snohomish County
GMA Comprehensive Plan Related to Annual Technical Corrections and the
Deletion of Map 6 – Supplemental Urban Low Density Residential Designations

Prepared Consistent with

The Washington State Environmental Policy Act of 1971
Chapter 43.21C Revised Code of Washington
Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code
Snohomish County Code Title 30

Snohomish County Planning and Development Services

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FACT SHEET

Project Title: GMA Comprehensive Plan Amendments: Technical Corrections and Map 6

Proposed Non-Project Action: The proposed non-project action is the adoption of technical corrections to the maps of the GMA Comprehensive Plan - General Policy Plan (GPP), identified as GPP4, and the deletion of Map 6 – Supplemental Designations of Urban Low Density Residential (ULDR) and associated text of the GPP, identified as GPP12.

Purpose of the EIS Addendum: This addendum adds information relating to the non-project programmatic county action described above. This information does not change the analysis of previously identified significant impacts of the alternatives to the county’s GMA Comprehensive Plan – General Policy Plan within the SEPA documents dated September 8, 2014, (Draft EIS) and June 3, 2015, (Final EIS).

This addendum is being issued in accordance with WAC 197-11-625 and WAC 197-11-630. The adopted environmental documents listed herein, together with this addendum, meet Snohomish County’s environmental review needs for the current proposal.

Description of Proposal: The proposed amendments to the GMA Comprehensive Plan - General Policy Plan (GPP) related to technical corrections (GPP4) and the deletion of Map 6 (GPP12) are part of the annual County Initiated Comprehensive Plan Amendment program.

The technical corrections (GPP4) proposal consists of recognizing on the maps of the GPP the finalized annexations for the cities of Stanwood, Sultan, and Snohomish and the conversion of multiple parcels totaling 136 acres from county jurisdiction to tribal trust land status for the Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians.

The three finalized annexations are:

- The city of Stanwood 276th St. NW annexation, approved by the city via Ordinance No. 1397. The annexed area consists of 7.67 acres and is located southeast of the intersection of 276th St. NW and 102nd Ave. NW;

- The city of Sultan annexation, approved by the city via Ordinance No. 1216-15. The annexed area consists of 2.87 acres and is located on the north side of State Route 2, between 1st St. and the Sultan River; and

- The city of Snohomish annexation, approved by the city via Ordinance No. 2295. The annexed area consists of 1.53 acres of right-of-way, all within the city limits.
The four locations that contain parcels now in tribal trust land status are:

- The 1.75 acre McIntyre property located at the intersection of 236th St. NE and 15th Ave. NE;
- The 28.58 acre Morehouse, Leder, and Roller properties located east of 27th Ave. NE and north of 236th St. NE;
- The 10 acre Strotz property located at the intersection of State Route 530 and Smokey Point Blvd; and
- The 96 acre Zis-a-ba property located directly south of the city of Stanwood in the Stillaguamish River floodplain near 98th Ave. NW.

The proposed deletion of GPP Map 6 – Supplemental Urban Low Density Residential (ULDR) Designations and associated text in the GPP would result in the provision of a consistent range of implementing zoning in all ULDR designated areas throughout unincorporated urban growth areas. The supplemental ULDR designations are not consistent with the Countywide Planning Policies and the Multicounty Planning Policies which encourage jurisdictions to maximize the development potential of existing urban lands.

Map 6 applied more specific single family residential densities within the ULDR plan designation for selected small areas within the SW UGA in the Mill Creek area and in the Lake Stevens UGA. The more specific ULDR designations, associated maximum densities, and implementing zoning for the Map 6 areas are:

- Lake Stevens ULDR-Limited-4 dwelling units per acre (ULDR-L4); implementing zoning – R-9,600 and R-20,000
- Lake Stevens ULDR-Limited-6 dwelling units per acre (ULDR-L6); implementing zoning – R-7,200 and PRD-7,200
- Mill Creek East ULDR-Limited-6 dwelling units per acre (ULDR-L6); implementing zoning – R-7,200

Map 6 was adopted as part of the 2005 10-year update of the GPP in order to provide more specific densities within the ULDR designation for the Lake Stevens (2001) and Mill Creek East (2002) UGA plans which were repealed with the adoption of the 10-year Update.

Location of Proposal:

Proposed amendments to the maps and text of the GMA Comprehensive Plan – General Policy Plan would apply to all unincorporated areas of Snohomish County.

Action Sponsor Lead Agency:

Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604 Everet, WA 98201-4066
Required Approval Review:
Snohomish County Council – adoption of ordinances
Washington State Department of Commerce – coordination of state comments

Circulation and Comment:
This addendum, or notice of availability, is being sent to all recipients of the previously issued Final EIS for the Comprehensive Plan 2015 Update as required by WAC 197-11-625, and also to all commenters on that EIS. No comment period is required for this addendum under WAC 197-11-502(8)(c).

The EIS Addendum is available by contacting:
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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Overview:

The adoption of amendments to the GMA Comprehensive Plan is a non-project action under the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). This Addendum is not intended to satisfy individual project action SEPA requirements (the review needed for a future site-specific land use or building permit application). This Addendum does not significantly change the analysis of impacts and alternatives contained in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared in 2015 for the Comprehensive Plan 2015 Update, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts.

Prior Environmental Review

The county issued a Draft EIS for the county’s Comprehensive Plan 2015 Update on September 8, 2014, and issued a Final EIS on June 3, 2015. The elements of the environment addressed in both of these EIS documents included elements of both the natural and built environment: earth, air, water, plants and animals, land and shoreline use, population and employment, cultural resources, transportation, energy, public services, and utilities.

EIS Addendum

According to the SEPA Rules, an Addendum to an EIS provides additional analysis and/or information about a proposal or alternatives where their significant environmental impacts have been disclosed and identified in a previous environmental document (WAC 197-11-600(3)(b)(ii)). An Addendum is appropriate when the impacts of the new proposal are the same general types as those identified in the prior document, and when the new analysis does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts and alternatives identified in the prior environmental documents (WAC 197-11-600(4)(e), WAC 197-11-706).

This Addendum to the Comprehensive Plan 2015 Update EIS is being issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-625 to meet the County’s SEPA responsibility. The Comprehensive Plan 2015 Update EIS evaluated plan alternatives and impacts that encompass the same general policy direction, land use patterns, and environmental impacts that are expected to be associated with the proposed amendments identified in this Addendum.

No additional significant impacts beyond those identified in the county’s EIS for the Comprehensive Plan 2015 Update are expected to occur as a result of the proposed amendments. No additional programmatic level environmental review will be required to the extent that the existing environmental documents listed in this Addendum or other published documents have analyzed the proposed amendments.
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Department of Social and Health Services
Utilities & Transportation Commission
Department of Corrections

Department of Fish & Wildlife
Department of Health
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WA State Energy Office
Office of Archaeology and Historical Preservation
Parks and Recreation Commission
Department of Transportation, Northwest Region
Interagency Committee on Outdoor Recreation

Regional Agencies and Interest Groups
Puget Sound Partnership
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency

Snohomish County Agencies and Interest Groups
Snohomish County Department of Public Works
Snohomish County Sheriff
Snohomish County Surface Water Management Div.
1000 Friends of Snohomish County
152nd St. Neighborhood Coalition
Action Council for Esperance
Agriculture Tomorrow
Alderwood Community Council
Arlington Heights Comm.
Barclay’s North
Canyon Firs Homeowners Assn.
Cavalero Residents for Responsible Growth
Community Transit
Crestline Estates Action
Economic Development Council of Sno. County
Edmonds Chamber of Commerce
Everett Chamber of Commerce
Everett Transit
Friends of Florence Acres
Futurewise
Housing Authority of Snohomish County
Jordan Road Citizens
Kayak Pk. Citizens Group
Kennard Corner Homeowners
League of Women Voters
Little Bear Cr. Protective Assn.
Martha Lake Community Club

Snootomish County Parks and Recreation Dept.
Snootomish County Solid Waste Division
Snootomish Health District
Martha Lake Homeowners
Master Builders Assoc. of King and Sno Co
McKee’s Evergreen Beach
Newberg Organization
North Creek Rural Areas
North Marysville Citizens
Picnic Point Community
Pilchuck Audubon Society
Possession Bay Association
Professional Consultants
Silver Lake Action Comm.
Smartgrowth Campaign
Snootomish Arlington Trail Coalition
Snootomish County Conservation District
Snootomish Co./Camano Island Board of Realtors
Snootomish Wetlands Alliance
So. Sno. Co. Chamber of Commerce
Sound Transit
Stillaguamish Citizens Alliance
Stillaguamish Flood Control District
Swamp Creek Locust Way
Tom Ehrlichman
Wandering Creek Homes

Neighboring Planning Departments
Island County Planning Dept.
Skagit County Planning Dept.

Dept. of Dev. & Environ. Services (King Co.)
Chelan County Planning Dept.

Tulalip Tribes
Utilities
Alderwood Water District
Lake Stevens Sewer District
Olympic View Water and Sewer District
Silver Lake Water and Sewer District
Olympus Terrace Sewer District
Highland Water Assn.
Seven Lakes Water Assn.
Sky Meadow Water Assn., Inc.
Puget Sound Energy

Stillaguamish Tribe
Cross Valley Water District
METRO
Mukilteo Water District
Diking District #2
Cascade Natural Gas
Roosevelt Water Assn.
Three Lakes Water Assn.
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King County Wastewater Treatment Division

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City of Lynnwood
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City of Snohomish
City of Sultan

City of Bothell
Town of Darrington
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City of Lake Stevens
City of Marysville
City of Monroe
City of Mukilteo
City of Stanwood
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Arlington School District
Edmonds School District #15
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Fire District 17 Granite Falls
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Fire District 21 Arlington
Fire District 23 Robe
Fire District 25 Oso
Fire District 27 Hat Island
Paine Field Fire District

Fire District 3 Monroe
Fire District 5 Sultan
Fire District 8 Lake Stevens
Fire District 11 Silver Lakes
No. County Regional Fire Authority
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Fire District 22 Getchell
Fire District 24 Darrington
Fire District 26 Gold Bar
Port of Everett
Port of Edmonds

Newspapers
The Herald
Arlington Times

Lake Stevens Journal
Seattle Times-North Bureau
Libraries
Arlington Library
Brier Public Library
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Granite Falls Library
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Woodinville Weekly
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