



Snohomish County

September 13, 2021

Planning and Development Services

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Dave Somers
County Executive

Dear SEPA Reviewer:

Addendum No. 1 to the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for the Puget Sound Regional Council's VISION 2050, issued March 18, 2020, has been prepared by Snohomish County Planning and Development Services. This addendum adds further information to the analysis contained in the FSEIS by providing additional environmental information for the proposed 2021 update of the Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County (CPPs). Specific project actions will require further detailed environmental review as they are considered for implementation.

Formal review of the proposed 2021 CPP update includes a public hearing before the Snohomish County Council on September 29, 2021. We invite you to comment on the proposed 2021 CPP update through the public hearings mentioned above or by submitting written comments for the record. Please contact me at Mitchell.brouse@snoco.org or (425) 388-5127 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mitchell Brouse

Mitchell Brouse (Sep 10, 2021 10:46 CDT)

Mitchell Brouse, Senior Planner
Snohomish County Planning and Development Services

Attachment:

Addendum No. 1 to the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement issued
March 18, 2020

ADDENDUM NUMBER 1 TO THE FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT ISSUED MARCH 18, 2020

Adoption of Amendments to The Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County

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

Date of Issuance: September 13, 2021

FACT SHEET

Project Title:	RELATING TO GROWTH MANAGEMENT; UPDATING THE COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES (CPPS) FOR SNOHOMISH COUNTY
Proposed Non-Project Action:	<p>This is a non-project proposal to update the Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County to bring the policies into compliance with the recent changes to the Growth Management Act (GMA) and the multicounty planning policies (MPPs) in VISION 2050.</p> <p>The proposed amendments cover a wide range of topics, including, but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Increased focus on the topics of equity and inclusion, including adding equity and inclusion as a central principle overarching all policies and amended policy language and new policies throughout all chapters of the CPPs.2. Consistent with VISION 2050, additional policy emphasis addressing climate change, including the addition of a new Climate Change subchapter within the Natural Environment and Climate Change chapter (formerly entitled “The Natural Environment”).3. New policies that emphasize interjurisdictional coordination, including new policies related to coordinating with tribes and military installations.4. The adoption of criteria for the designation of Countywide Growth Centers and Countywide Industrial Centers.5. Amendments to the reasonable measures process addressing E2SSB-5254.
Purpose of the DNS Addendum:	<p>This addendum addresses the environmental impacts of amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County. This addendum updates and supplements the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement issued on March 18, 2020, for the adoption of VISION 2050. The information contained in this addendum does not change the environmental analysis.</p> <p>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 proposed amendments.</p>

Description of Proposal:	This non-project proposal would amend the Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County to reflect updates to the GMA and the multicounty planning policies (MPPs). The proposed amendments are consistent with the updated MPPs, which were adopted as a part of VISION 2050, and were analyzed by the FSEIS issued on March 18, 2020.
Location of Proposal:	The amended CPPs do not have location specific impacts, but apply to the development of comprehensive plans for all jurisdictions within Snohomish County.
Action Sponsor Lead Agency:	Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604 Everett, Washington 98201-4066
Required Approval Review:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snohomish County Tomorrow Planning Advisory Committee – Has made a recommendation on June 10, 2021 • Snohomish County Tomorrow Steering Committee – Has made a recommendation on July 28, 2021 • Snohomish County Council – adoption of ordinances
Circulation and Comment:	This addendum, or notice of availability, is being sent to all recipients of the previously issued Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement as required by WAC 197-11-625. No comment period is required for this addendum under WAC 197-11-502(8)(c).
The Addendum is available by contacting:	<p>Mitchell Brouse, Senior Planner Snohomish County Planning and Development Services 3000 Rockefeller Ave., M/S #604 Everett, Washington 98201 Phone: (425) 388-5127 E-Mail: mitchell.brouse@snoco.org</p> <p>The Addendum is available for viewing at the Planning Division of the Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services (Robert J Drewell Building, 2nd Floor) and on the county’s website. Visit www.snoco.org and type “<i>Countywide Planning Policies</i>” in the search box.</p>

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Responsible Official: Mike McCrary
Snohomish County Planning and Development Services
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Signature *michael mccrary*
michael mccrary (Sep 13, 2021 12:28 PDT)
Mike McCrary, Director

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Overview:

The adoption of amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies 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) that was prepared in 2020 for the adoption of VISION 2050, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts.

Prior Environmental Review

A Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) addressing the adoption of VISION 2050 was issued on March 18, 2020.

Addendum to the Environmental Review

According to the SEPA Rules, an Addendum to a DNS 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 March 18, 2020, FSEIS is being issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-625 to meet the County's SEPA responsibility. The March 18, 2020 FSEIS evaluated alternatives and impacts that encompass the same general policy direction, land use patterns, and environmental impacts that are expected to be associated with this non-project proposal. No additional significant impacts beyond those identified in the PSRC's FSEIS for the adoption of VISION 2050 are expected to occur as a result of the proposed amendments.

(A) General

This addendum documents an evaluation of the 2021 update to the Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County. The evaluation concludes that the proposal does not significantly change the analysis contained in the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) prepared for the adoption of VISION 2050, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts. The proposed 2021 CPP update will bring the policies into compliance with the recent changes to the Growth Management Act (GMA) and the multicounty planning policies (MPPs) in VISION 2050.

(B) Natural Environment

1) Earth, Topography, Soils, and Erosion

The potential impacts that could result from the policy updates proposed by the CPP update are addressed in the FSEIS. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

2) Air Quality and Climate Change

Potential air quality impacts that could result from the policy updates proposed by the 2021 CPP update are addressed in the FSEIS. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

3) Water Resources (Ground and Surface)

Potential impacts to ground or surface water resources that could result from the policy updates proposed by the 2021 CPP update are addressed in the FSEIS. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

4) Fish, Wildlife, Vegetation, and Wetlands

Potential impacts to fish, wildlife, vegetation, and wetlands that could result from the policy updates proposed by the 2021 CPP update are addressed in the FSEIS. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

(C) Built Environment

1) Land and Shoreline Use

The proposed 2021 CPP update is consistent with the goals and policies contained in VISION 2050. The potential impacts on land and shoreline use were evaluated and addressed in the FSEIS. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

2) Plans and Policies

The proposed 2021 CPP update is consistent with and implements regional, and state plans and policies, including the Washington State Growth Management Act, VISION 2050 Multicounty Planning Policies, and the Puget Sound Regional Council Regional Growth Strategy.

3) Population, Housing, and Employment

The FSEIS addresses population, housing, and employment impacts and mitigation measures potentially associated with proposed capital improvements. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

4) Cultural Resources

The FSEIS addresses cultural resources. Any future site-specific development proposal associated with the proposed 2022-2027 CIP not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

5) Transportation

The FSEIS addresses transportation impacts and mitigation measures potentially associated with the proposed the 2021 CPP update. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate

SEPA review. No additional mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

6) Energy

Potential energy impacts associated with the proposed 2021 CPP update are adequately addressed in the FSEIS. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No new mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

7) Public Services and Utilities

The FSEIS adequately addresses potential impacts on public services and utilities potentially associated with the proposed 2021 CPP update. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or SCC 30.61.035 would be subject to a separate SEPA review. No new mitigating measures are warranted beyond those identified in the FSEIS.

APPENDIX A

Distribution List

Federal Agencies

U.S. Natural Resource Conservation
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
National Marine Fisheries

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Develop.
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

State Agencies

The Office of the Governor
Department of Ecology
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Community Trade & Econ. Dev.
Department of Agriculture
Department of Social and Health Services
Utilities & Transportation Commission
Department of Corrections

Department of Fish & Wildlife
Department of Health
Department of Transportation
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

Puget Sound Regional Council
Regional Transit Authority

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 Pt. Citizens Group
Kennard Corner Homeowners
League of Women Voters
Little Bear Cr. Protective Assn.
Martha Lake Community Club

Snohomish County Parks and Recreation Dept.
Snohomish County Solid Waste Division
Snohomish 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
Snohomish Arlington Trail Coalition
Snohomish County Conservation District
Snohomish Co./Camano Island Board of Realtors
Snohomish Wetlands Alliance
So. Co. Preservation Assn.
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.

Tribes

Muckleshoot Tribes
Sauk/Suiattle Tribe

Tulalip Tribes
Stillaguamish Tribe

Utilities

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

Cross Valley Water District
METRO
Mukilteo Water District
Diking District #2
Cascade Natural Gas
Roosevelt Water Assn.
Three Lakes Water Assn.
Snohomish County PUD No. 1
King County Wastewater Treatment Division

Cities

City of Arlington
City of Brier
City of Edmonds
City of Gold Bar
Town of Index
City of Lynnwood
City of Mill Creek
City of Mountlake Terrace
City of Snohomish
City of Sultan

City of Bothell
Town of Darrington
City of Everett
City of Granite Falls
City of Lake Stevens
City of Marysville
City of Monroe
City of Mukilteo
City of Stanwood
Town of Woodway

School Districts

Arlington School District
Edmonds School District #15
Granite Falls School District
Lake Stevens School District
Marysville School District
Mukilteo School District
Snohomish School District
Sultan School District

Darrington School District
Everett School District
Index School District
Lakewood School District
Monroe School District
Northshore School District
Stanwood School District

Fire Districts & Ports

Fire District 1 South County
Fire District 4 Snohomish
Fire District 7 Clearview
Fire District 10 Bothell
Fire District 12 Marysville
Fire District 15 Tulalip
Fire District 17 Granite Falls
Fire District 19 Silvana
Fire District 21 Arlington
Fire District 23 Robe
Fire District 25 Oso
Fire District 27 Hat Island

Fire District 3 Monroe
Fire District 5 Sultan
Fire District 8 Lake Stevens
Fire District 11 Silver Lakes
No. County Regional Fire Authority
Fire District 16 Lake Roesiger
Fire District 28 Index
Fire District 22 Getchell
Fire District 24 Darrington
Fire District 26 Gold Bar
Port of Everett
Port of Edmonds

Paine Field Fire District

Newspapers

The Herald
Arlington Times
Snohomish County Tribune
Mukilteo Beacon
Monroe Monitor
Marysville Globe
Bothell-Kenmore Reporter

Lake Stevens Journal
Seattle Times-North Bureau
Seattle PI
Mill Creek Enterprise
Woodinville Weekly
Enterprise Newspaper
The Edmonds Beacon

Libraries

Arlington Library
Brier Public Library
Edmonds Public Library
Granite Falls Library
Lynnwood Public Library
Mill Creek Library
Mountlake Terrace Library
Sno-Isle Regional Library
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