



## Community Development Department

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### Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Periodic Review Notice of SEPA DNS, Public Comment Period, Public Hearing

Walla Walla County and Washington Department of Ecology are accepting comments on a periodic review of the Walla Walla County Shoreline Master Program (SMP) under RCW 90.58.080(4).

Walla Walla County has prepared draft SMP amendments to keep the SMP current with changes in state law, changes in other County plans and regulations, and other changed local circumstances. Proposed amendments to the County's SMP are available for review at:

[https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/commissioners/shoreline\\_master\\_program.php](https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/commissioners/shoreline_master_program.php)

A paper copy will be available for viewing at the County's offices.

#### **Written Public Comment Period on Draft SMP**

Written public comments on the draft amendments will be accepted from March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, to April 24, 2023. Send written comments to the following address or email:

**Walla Walla County Community Development**  
**c/o Jennifer Ballard, Senior Planner**  
**310 W. Poplar Street, Suite 200**  
**Walla Walla, WA 99362**  
[planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us](mailto:planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us)

Comments sent to the County will be forwarded to the Department of Ecology. Persons submitting testimony may participate in the public hearing, request a copy of the final decision, and have rights to appeal the final decision.

#### **SEPA Threshold Determination of Non-Significance**

Walla Walla County has determined that this proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement is not required under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency and available upon request. This DNS was issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-340(2). The SEPA comment ends on April 6 and the SEPA appeal period ends on April 20.

#### **Public Hearing**

A joint County-State public hearing will be held during the Planning Commission Special Meeting on Wednesday, April 19 at 7:00 PM.

#### **Public Hearing Details**

**Wednesday, April 19, 7:00 PM (or as close thereto as possible)**  
**Location (in person):** County Public Health and Legislative Building  
2nd floor – Commissioners' Chambers  
314 West Main Street; Walla Walla, WA

**Virtual: Cisco Webex Meeting Link:** <https://wwco.webex.com/meet/CDD>

**Call in:** 1-408-418-9388

**Meeting Number/Access Code:** 969 633 053

An agenda and a staff report will be available approximately one week prior to the hearing. Contact staff directly for more information about how to participate virtually. If you provide your email address, we can add you to the email distribution list.

The Planning Commission, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) at the same meeting or on a date not yet determined. The Planning Commission will be asked to recommend that a proposed amendment be approved, approved with modifications, or denied. The Board of County Commissioners will also hold a public hearing to consider the proposed amendments; this has not been scheduled.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** For more information regarding this application, please contact Jennifer Ballard, Senior Planner at 509-524-2610 or [planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us](mailto:planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us).

Walla Walla County complies with ADA; reasonable accommodation provided with three (3) days notice.