

## Section 12

# Public Involvement

This chapter summarizes the opportunities for public involvement in the preparation of this GSP, both during the development process as well as through review and comment of the draft GSP. This chapter also identifies comments received from public, regulatory agency, and tribal stakeholders upon review of the draft GSP, and documents how these comments were addressed in the final GSP.

### 12.1 Public Involvement Process

GSP contents and analyses were formally presented to the City Council at the initial stage of GSP development, and later following detailed analysis. The City Council presentations were open to the public. The dates and topics for City Council meetings were:

- Meeting 1 (March 23, 2011) – General Sewer Plan Scoping
- Meeting 2 (August 29, 2012) – Review Results of General Sewer Plan

The date, time, location, and purpose of City Council and public meetings were advertised on the City's website and at the City Hall Reader Board. Agenda's for the meetings are also posted on the City website.

In addition to the City Council meetings, an overview of the contents and results of the GSP were presented to the Yelm Planning Commission on August 27, 2012.

### 12.2 Comments from Agencies, Tribal, and Public Stakeholders

The City has provided copies of the draft GSP to the following agencies concurrently with Ecology:

- Health
- Nisqually Tribe
- Thurston County

The draft GSP was posted on the City website for review by the public and other interested stakeholders. Except for written comments provided by Ecology (dated May 10, 2013), no other agency or stakeholder comments on the draft GSP were received. For the most part, Ecology comments provided input or further clarification not resulting in changes to the draft GSP. Ecology comments and the respective City responses are included in Appendices 12A and 12B. Text modifications identified in City responses to Ecology Comment Nos. 7 and 16 are incorporated in this final GSP.