

SMP ORGANIZATION & CONTENT

Goals, Policies &
Regulations

Planning & Regulatory Tool

- *Planning Function* = extraterritorial e.g. Adjacent Lands, SMP Restoration Plans, etc.
- *Regulatory Function* = SMA jurisdiction only

Two Paths – Your Choice

- Stand-Alone Document
- Dispersed or Shuffled Document
- Pros & Cons

Stand-Alone

Easy to Identify

Consistent Terminology

Integration Uncertainty

Amendment Clarity

Dispersed

Hard to Discern

Mixed Usage/Terms

Full Integration

Amendment Vagueness

* Either way – mandatory component list of SMP

POSITIVE CHARACTERISTICS

- User Friendly – Citizens Need Plain Talk
- Clear Administration – Planners Need Specifics
- Legally Solid – Attorneys Need Loopholes

- Concise & Unambiguous
- Consistent Terms
- Detailed Definitions
- Specific References
- Understandable Graphics – Maps, Diagrams

PRACTICAL COMPONENTS

- Acknowledgements – CAC & TAC Buy-In
- Table of Contents = Framework
- Summary of Amendments – Quick Reference
- Appendices – Acronyms, Diagrams, Maps, Etc
- Purpose & Intent
- Main Document Body
- Appendices – Maps, Diagrams, Charts, Etc
- Restoration Plan

Purpose & Intent

- **General Administration – Link to Processes, Fees**
- **Authority – RCW Reference i.e. SMA**
- **Purpose & Intent**
- **Governing Principles**
- **Title/Short Title**
- **References To Plans/Regs/Other Programs e.g. CAO**
- **Liberal Construction Clause**
- **Severability**
- **Effective Date**

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

- Minimum Application Requirements
- Ch 23.60.06 – Pre-application Conference
- Ch 23.60.07 - Fees
- Ch 23.60.08 – Notice of Application
- Ch 23.60.09 – Permit Application Review
- Ch 23.60.10 – Consolidated Permit Review
- Ch 23.60.11 - SEPA Compliance
- Ch 23.60.13 – Public Hearings
- Ch 23.60.14 – Permit Conditions
- Ch 23.60.15 – Notice of Decision
- Ch 23.60.16 – Initiation of Development
- Ch 23.60.18 - Rescission
- Ch 23.60.19 – Expiration
- Ch 7 – Administration
- Ch 8 – Legal Provisions

Main SMP Document Body

- GOALS & OBJECTIVES
- JURISDICTION
- ENVIRONMENT DESIGNATIONS
- Shorelines of Statewide Significance
- APPLICABILITY
- NONCONFORMING USES, PERMITS/EXEMPTIONS
- ADMINISTRATION,
- LEGAL PROVISIONS
- GENERAL POLICIES/REGS
- BULK STANDARDS – MATRIX
- USE MATRIX
- USE POLICIES/REGS
- DEFINITIONS

SMA “Elements” – RCW 90.58.100(2)

- Economic Development – location/design/W-D
- Public Access – access to publicly-owned “areas”
- Recreational – preservation & enlargement > opportunities
- Circulation – location/extent of public system
- Land Use – distribution/location/extent > uplands
- Conservation – preservation of natural resources
- Historic/Cultural/Scientific/Educational – protect & restore
- Flood Management – prevent/minimize damage
- Other Appropriate & Necessary for SMA

“Other” Appropriate & Necessary to “effectuate” SMA Policy

EXAMPLES -

- Restoration & Enhancement
- Views & Aesthetics
- Essential Public Facilities
- Archeological & Cultural
- Historic
- Educational & Scientific

Goals & Objectives

- Reference to RCW 90.58.100(2) “Elements”
- provide the comprehensive foundation and framework upon which the Shoreline Designations, policies, regulations, and administrative procedures are based.
- Comp Plan consistency e.g.
 - Economic Development
 - Circulation
 - Parks & Recreation, Etc

Shoreline Jurisdiction & Environment Designations

- Overall > Reaches or Segments > Designations
- Jurisdictional Limits – map characteristics, etc
 - Undesignated, Buffers
- Shoreline Environment Designations
 - Purpose & Criteria
 - Policies
 - Permitted, Conditional, Prohibited Uses
- Boundary Descriptions & Interpretations
 - *Shorelines of Statewide Significance*

SMP Policies WAC 173-26-191(2a)(i)

- Master programs shall provide clear, consistent policies that translate broad statewide policy goals set forth in WAC 173-26-176 and 173-26-181 into local directives. Policies are statements of intent directing or authorizing a course of action or specifying criteria for regulatory and nonregulatory actions by a local government. Master program policies provide a comprehensive foundation for the shoreline master program regulations, which are more specific, standards used to evaluate shoreline development. Master program policies also are to be pursued and provide guidance for public investment and other nonregulatory initiatives to assure consistency with the overall goals of the master program.

Policy Focus

- broad state policy into local directives
- comprehensive legal foundation for the shoreline regulations
- regulatory and nonregulatory actions
- guidance for public investment and other nonregulatory initiatives

Shoreline Regulations

Coming to you Tomorrow

from a Presenter near You!!!

