

SMP Periodic Review Summary

1. What is the Shoreline Master Program (SMP)?

- a. Locally developed plan that implements the state Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58, WAC 173-26).
- b. Balances environmental protection, public access, and water-oriented uses.
- c. Applies to larger streams, rivers, lakes, and lands within 200 feet of the ordinary high water mark. Can include some floodplains and wetlands. *(See attached SMP map.)*
- d. Pend Oreille County has executed an interlocal planning agreement with the Town of Cusick to implement the SMP periodic review.
- e. The SMP periodic update work is funded by a grant from the Washington State Department of Ecology.
- f. The County's SMP was last updated in 2015:
https://pendoreilleco.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Adopted-SMP_10-30-2015COPY.pdf

2. What is the purpose of this SMP periodic review?

- a. Incorporate changes to state law in recent years. Ecology provides an SMP checklist that lists these changes.
- b. Chance to make any other SMP updates desired for clarity, ease of implementation.

3. What is the timeline for the SMP revisions?

- a. Meetings with local governments are happening this fall.
- b. Consultants are developing Public Participation Plan and County is establishing SMP web page to allow for public review and comment.
- c. Consultant team will recommend SMP revisions in late fall for local consideration.
- d. Local public hearings early 2023 to gather comments on proposed changes.
- e. SEPA review; 60-day Department of Commerce Notice for state agencies to comment.
- f. Local governments adopt SMP limited amendments after Ecology Determination of Consistency issued (spring 2023).
- g. Deadline for adopting the updated SMP is June 30, 2023 (end of grant period).

4. What should you expect over the coming months?

- a. Please review existing SMP and be familiar with contents: policies, regulations, guidance.
- b. Consider whether there are any SMP revisions you would recommend.

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- c. Expect to review SMP text redlines later this year.
- d. Public process, hearings, and adoption in spring 2023.

5. Questions to consider

- a. Are the existing shoreline environment designations functioning well for your needs?
- b. Are there unclear sections in the SMP that could be clarified?
- c. Other considerations?

Existing Shoreline Environment Designations

Town of Cusick
Urban Residential
Urban Conservancy

Cusick SMP Designations

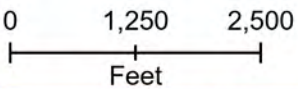


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LEGEND

- Kalispel Reservation
- City/Town
- UGA
- Pend Oreille County Parcels
- Natural
- Rural Conservancy
- Rural Higher Intensity
- Rural Residential
- Tribal
- Urban Conservancy
- Urban Higher Intensity
- Urban Residential



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