

**City of Roy
Planning Commission**

NOTICE of PUBLIC HEARING

**Regarding the City of Roy
Shoreline Master Program Update**

**Tuesday, January 17, 2012
City Hall, 216 S. McNaught Street, Roy, WA 7:00 PM**

Washington State's Shoreline Management Act (SMA) requires jurisdictions that contain "shorelines of the state" within their boundaries, including Roy, to periodically update their Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs). The City of Roy is working to complete this update in accordance with state requirements.

The Roy Planning Commission will take public testimony on revisions to the draft Shoreline Master Program at the above date and time.

You received this notice because you own property within (or adjacent to) the City's regulated shoreline area, or you have been or are part of an organization that has been identified as a potentially interested party. This notice is also being mailed to City of Roy Utility customers to reach a broader audience.

We welcome your questions and encourage you to stay informed and participate in the SMP Update process. For further information, please visit the city's website at www.cityofroywa.us or contact Jeff Boers, City Planner, at roycityhall@comcast.net or 253-843-1113.

Further information on the Draft SMP may be found on the reverse of this notice.

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Shoreline Master Program Update

Questions and Answers

What is a Shoreline Master Program and why is the City updating it?

A Shoreline Master Program, or SMP, is a set of policies and regulations that govern buildings, uses and activities along “shorelines of the state”. This typically includes upland areas adjacent to and within 200 feet of the ordinance high water mark (OHWM) of designated shorelines, plus associated wetlands and floodplain areas. In Roy, these areas include approximately 1,000 linear feet of lakeshore/wetland associated with Muck Lake, and approximately 1,100 linear feet of shoreline associated with Muck Creek. All towns, cities and counties with shorelines are required to have an SMP by state law, and to update them periodically. Roy’s current SMP was adopted in 1974 when the city adopted, by reference, the Pierce County SMP. Roy is required to update its program no later than June 30, 2012.

How is the update being handled?

The City has hired a consultant, AHBL, to assist with the technical aspects of the process, which is governed by state law and Department of Ecology regulations. The Planning Commission has held a series of public open houses and received initial input on issues of importance to the community. AHBL has completed a Draft SMP, along with an “Inventory and Characterization Report”, “Cumulative Impacts Analysis” and “Restoration Plan”. Each document is available for public review on the City’s website (www.cityofroywa.us) and at City Hall.

What are the next steps in the process?

The Planning Commission will take testimony on the Draft SMP at the public hearing and recommend approval of the draft to the City Council, with or without changes. Next, the City Council will hold one or more additional hearings and finalize the document. The City will submit its final version of the SMP to the Washington State Department of Ecology for approval, as required by state law. Once Ecology has approved the SMP, with or without modification, Council will take action to formally adopt the program by ordinance, thereby amending the Roy City Code.