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County kicks off new series of rural lands meetings

Beginning Sept. 3, Snohomish County will begin its second series of meetings geared toward defining a vision for its rural lands.

In June, the county's Planning and Development Services Department hosted a set of meetings to collect input on how rural lands should be managed or developed in the future. Residents responded to the question: How should the county's rural areas look, feel and function?

The department collected more than 1,000 comments from Snohomish County residents, and more than 200 people attended four meetings held in Arlington, Maltby, Monroe and Everett.

This time around, planners will discuss with participants the common vision for Snohomish County's rural lands and whether that vision is supported by current policies and regulations. If not, what are the opportunities and process for change?

Meetings will be held as follows:

- **Wednesday, Sept. 3, 6:30–8 p.m.**
 - Maltby Community Club
 - 8711 206th St. SE, Snohomish 98296

- **Wednesday, Sept. 17, 6:30–8 p.m.**
 - Evergreen State Fairgrounds Longhouse
 - Hwy 2 and 179th Avenue SE, Monroe 98272

- **Tuesday, Sept. 23, 6:30–8 p.m.**
 - Pioneer Hall
 - 20722 – 67th Avenue NE, Arlington 98223

- **Thursday, Sept. 25, 6:30–8 p.m.**
 - Public Meeting Room #1, Robert Drewel Bldg.
 - Snohomish County Campus, 3000 Rockefeller, Everett 98201

Accommodations for persons with disabilities or language barriers are available upon request for any of the meetings. Please make arrangements in advance by calling Mary Hurner at 425-388-3258.

For more information on the Rural Lands Planning Project, go to www.snoco.org and type “Rural Lands Planning Project” in the Search Box or e-mail RuralLandsProject@snoco.org.

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