

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE



Snohomish County

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Updating Snohomish County's Comprehensive Plan Third Comp Plan hearing slated June 8 for North County residents

Snohomish County will hold an additional public hearing June 8 to give North County residents a third opportunity to submit comments on the Comprehensive Plan 10 Year Update Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The added session will be held in Arlington from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Stillaguamish Senior Center, 18308 Smokey Point Blvd.

Citizens also have an opportunity to comment on the DEIS on Thursday, June 3, from 7-9 p.m. at Everett Community College, Parks Student Union Building.

The June 8 hearing is being added because the first hearing, to be held June 1 at the same Arlington location, is being held simultaneously with another recently scheduled public meeting. Scheduling this additional hearing will allow the public full opportunity to provide input to the DEIS.

The County is in the process of updating its 1995 Comprehensive Plan to accommodate projected growth in population and employment through the year 2025. The DEIS outlines the anticipated impacts of low, medium and high ranges of growth on the County's existing natural and built environments. The County will be incorporating comments received from residents (both on the DEIS and on the alternatives for accommodating growth) through 2005, when the Update is scheduled for completion.

Comments Welcome

The Hearing is scheduled within the official SEPA comment period for the draft document, which extends through June 18. Citizens may voice their comments at any of the three hearings or by submitting them in writing to: Michael Zelinski, Principal Planner, Snohomish County Planning & Development Services, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, WA 98201.

Comments may also be submitted by email on or before June 18 to planning.div@co.snohomish.wa.us.

Citizen comment at the hearings will be recorded and remain a part of the public record.

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Those who submit comments will receive a digital copy (CD) of the Final EIS, an environmental document that will analyze the preferred land use alternative and will answer citizen comments from the DEIS.

The DEIS is available for prior review at the following locations:

- Snohomish County Planning & Development Services offices, Fourth and Fifth floors of the County Administration Building, 3000 Rockefeller in downtown Everett;
- All public libraries in Snohomish County;
- All City Halls of Snohomish County cities; and
- Online at www.co.snohomish.wa.us/pds/10YearUpdate.htm.

Copies of the DEIS also may be purchased in hard copy or CD format by calling the Long Range Planning Office at (425) 388-3311 or by visiting them at the above location.

For more information on the hearings, or to make accommodations for persons with disabilities, please contact Ryan Hembree at (425) 388-3311, extension 2267. Persons with hearing impairments may call the County's text telephone line at 425-388-3700.

For more information on the 10 Year Update, please contact project manager Michael Zelinski at (425) 388-3311 extension 2088, or check the project website at www.co.snohomish.wa.us/pds/10YearUpdate.htm.

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