**CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Town of Skykomish, Washington**

The Town of Skykomish is conducting a periodic review of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) for the Town’s shoreline along Skykomish River and Maloney Creek. The SMP determines the types and uses of shoreline development, provides for public access, and increases opportunities for restoration. You may send comments to the Town of Skykomish at 360-677-2388 or email clerk@skykomishwa.gov. You may also send comments via email to Project Lead Talia Tittelfitz at talia.tittelfitz@bhcconsultants.com.

***You Can Provide Comments Now!***

Coordinating with the Department of Ecology, the Town has prepared initial draft SMP amendments to keep the SMP current with changes in state law, changes in other Town plans and regulations, and other changed local circumstances. This information is presented on the Town website (<https://skykomishwa.gov/forms-%26-documents>) in multiple formats:

* a poster,
* an initial draft Periodic Review Checklist of proposed SMP revisions (dated Dec 2018), and
* an initial draft SMP Amendments document with annotated revisions (dated January 2018).

The Town is currently seeking informal input on these initial draft documents from all residents, property owners, and other stakeholders regarding the proposed amendments.

***Upcoming Draft***

Based on your feedback and ongoing review between the Town and the Department of Ecology, the next draft of SMP amendments will posted on the website on February 15th. This is the draft which will be released for formal review under the Growth Management Act, the State Environmental Policy Act, and joint public review by the Department of Ecology and the Planning Commission.

***More Opportunities to Comment on the SMP Review***

A formal 30-day comment period is anticipated from March 15 to April 15. Comments sent to the Town will be forwarded to the Department of Ecology.

Your participation is encouraged at all Planning Commission and Town Council meetings, which are open to the public at Skykomish Town Hall. Each meeting will provide information about the progress of the work. Planning Commission meetings are held from 4:30 to 5:30 PM, and Town Council Meetings are held from 5pm-6pm

***Important Dates***

***February 15*** – Look for the next draft of the SMP amendments on the Town’s website.

***March 15*** – The formal joint public comment period opens.

***March 18*** – The revised draft checklist and SMP amendments are presented to the Planning Commission at the regular monthly meeting.

***April 15*** – The Town and the Department of Ecology host a joint public hearing to review the draft SMP amendments at the Planning Commission’s regular monthly meeting. The formal public comment period closes.

***April 29*** – The Town’s response to public comments is presented to the Planning Commission at a special meeting. The Commission is asked to recommend the SMP Amendments for adoption by Town Council.

***June 1*** – The Department of Ecology issues an initial determination on the proposed SMP amendments.

***June 10*** – Considering the Planning Commission’s recommendation and Department of Ecology’s determination, the Town Council is asked to take action on approving the amendments to the SMP by ordinance.

***June 30*** – Final submittal to the Department of Ecology.

***Join the Mailing List***

If you would like to be included on the email list for the Skykomish Shoreline Master Program periodic review, please mail your contact information to:

 **Town of Skykomish**

 **Shoreline Master Program**

 **119 4th Street N.**

 **PO Box 308**

 **Skykomish, WA 98288**

You may also email your contact information to clerk@skykomishwa.gov**.**

Please provide your:

* Name
* Stakeholder Affiliation
* Mailing Address
* Email Address