



# COMMUNITY PLANNING

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## Community Driven Review of Ag: Agriculture Zoning Update

### Overview

In 2020, the Board of County Commissioners added a review of agricultural policies and programs to the docket. This project is docket item CPA-16.

One component of this project is a review and update of agricultural zoning in Thurston County.

### What's Changing

The County is reviewing which lands are protected for current and future agricultural use. This change is based on underlying soils. Changes in zoning impact the uses allowed on a property, how many houses can be built, and more. A change in zoning does not require land be used for agriculture.

### Quick Facts

- In 2019, Community requested this project to further protect farmland.
- The County was appealed in 2020 on which lands are protected for ag.
- A 2021 community survey told us land use policy is a top priority.
- Thurston County has diverse farmland and many small farms.
- Thurston County's farmland is at continued risk of being lost.

# PROJECT SCHEDULE

## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Public input & participation is requested during each planning phase.

### Spring 2020-Summer 2021

Initial research, community survey, prioritizing actions

### Summer 2021 - Fall 2023

Develop amendments, public outreach

### Summer 2022 - Spring 2023

Stakeholder Group Review of Targeted Land Use Criteria

### Summer 2023 - Winter 2023

Planning Commission & BoCC Review, Final Action



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