



## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Cathy Wolfe  
District One  
Diane Oberquell  
District Two  
Robert N. Macleod  
District Three

---

## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Michael Welter  
Director

Nisqually Reach and Henderson Inlet Shellfish Protection Districts  
Combined Oversight Committee  
Meeting Notes January 20, 2009

**Members:** Tris Carlson, Christine Buckley, Pete Heide, Fred Michelson, and Linda Maletesta

**Guests:** Mark Fischer (Puget Sound Restoration Fund)  
David Hall (Conservation District)

**County Staff:** Mark J. Swartout (District staff)  
Steve Petersen, Linda Hoffstad, and Dave Tipton (Environmental Health)

1. Administration:
  - A. Introductions
  - B. Noted a mistake in the November 18, 2008 Meeting Notes and will bring back in March for approval.
  - C. Approved the Agenda with additions
2. Updates:
  - A. County Environmental Health:
    - 1) Henderson O&M implementation: (a handout was provide see attachments)
      - a. Implementation of the program began in 2007.
      - b. The presentation followed the attached handout.
    - 2). The Mill Bight (along the Nisqually Reach) closure and subsequent sanitary survey has resulted in 50% of the septic systems in the area being tested. Testing of septic systems is on a voluntary basis.
    - 3) The County applied for a Centennial Clean Water Grant to develop a similar septic system O&M program in the Nisqually Shellfish District. The latest information says the county's grant request is number three on the draft list. If the county is rewarded the grant work may start this summer and will continue for 3-years.
    - 4) Article IV revision – Public Workshop January 22<sup>nd</sup>. You may submit comments on line at [http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/ehadm/rules\\_regs.html](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/ehadm/rules_regs.html).
      - i. The legislature requires all 12 Puget Sound counties to update or develop a Septic System Operational and Management Plan. Thurston County's Plan as adopted on Jan. 7, 2008
      - ii. After the Board adopts the revised Article IV, the next step is to begin a

Sensitive Area Work Group.

- B. The proposed Hearing Examiner's decision on the RV Storage project was postponed due to testimony.
- 3. Possible future meeting topics:
  - March 17<sup>th</sup> – Stormwater Manual, TMDL, and Focus Topics
  - May 19<sup>th</sup> – David Hymel – on Rain-gardens and LID.
  - July 21<sup>st</sup> – Henderson TMDL –Cindy James
  - September 15<sup>th</sup> – 2010 Shellfish Protection Fund Work Program – Kathy Whalen
  - November 17<sup>th</sup> - ?
- 4. Adjourned.

MS:ms/shellfish\_09/meeting notes 1/20/09