

THURSTON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

PLANNING COMMISSION – MAY 20, 2020



THURSTON



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**Comprehensive Plan Update 2020
Mineral Resource Lands**

GOAL OF THIS WORK SESSION

- Review summary of options for mineral resource lands
- Planning Commission to discuss which options to move forward to public hearing



PLANNING COMMISSIONER QUESTIONS



NOISE LIMITATIONS

- WAC 173-60-040

EDNA OF NOISE SOURCE	EDNA OF RECEIVING PROPERTY		
	Class A	Class B	Class C
CLASS A	55 dBA	57 dBA	60 dBA
CLASS B	57	60	65
CLASS C	60	65	70

(b) Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the noise limitations of the foregoing table shall be reduced by 10 dBA for receiving property within Class A EDNAs.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND

- Will/should supply and demand bear any weight on our planning deliberations?
- Supply and Demand memorandum attached (Nov. 30, 2017)
 - Estimated 13.75 tons annually per capita
 - Both options designate enough resources for a 50-year planning period



OVERVIEW OF MINERAL LANDS OPTIONS



SUMMARY OF DECISION POINTS AND OPTIONS

Decision A - Designation Criteria Amendment		Decision C - Resource Use Notice	Decision D - Expansion Policies	Decision E - Designation at the Site Level
A-1 Maintain current criteria		C-1 Maintain current language of 1,000-feet for plats	D-1 Allow expansion only onto designated MRL	E-1 Double-threshold designation, allowing into the 1,000 feet from UGAs and parks
A-2 Change criteria to co-designate w/ ag lands		C-2 Reduce language for plats to 500 feet	D-2 Allow expansion of existing mines onto undesignated MRL, including areas in the 1,000-foot separation distance from UGA and Parks.	E-2 If any portion is designated, the whole parcel is considered "designated" for permitting purposes
			D-3 (NEW) Stakeholder developed hybrid option (allow for expansion/new into 1,000 feet in specific scenarios)	E-3 The entire parcel must be mapped to be permitted

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Decision A - Designation Criteria Amendment	Considerations
A-1 Maintain current criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current designation criteria• Does not co-designate (2,100 acres) of agricultural lands• May limit flexibility of farmers impacted by not co-designating
A-2 Change criteria to co-designate w/ ag lands	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consistent with GMA guidance that overlapping resource designations should not necessarily be considered inconsistent WAC 360-190-040(7)(b)• Co-designates roughly 2,100 acres of LTA/MRL• May temporarily impact land base of Long Term Agriculture

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Decision C - Resource Use Notice	Considerations
C-1 Maintain current language of 1,000-feet for plats	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintains the current code language• Consistent with RCW 36.70A.060(b)• Greater notification proximity• In 2003, the Board amended this code to increase plat notice from 500 feet to 1,000 feet
C-2 Reduce language for plats to 500 feet	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lowers notification to 500 feet• Consistent with RCW 36.70A.060(b) – the minimum distance is 500 feet• Option was recommended as a possible alternative by stakeholder group• Consistent with all other resource use notices in code

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Decision D - Expansion Policies	Considerations		
	Difference in Options	Ease of Implementation	Flexibility to Industry
D-1 Allow expansion only onto designated MRL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows mining to apply <u>only</u> on designated MRL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easiest to implement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Least flexibility
D-2 Allow expansion of existing mines onto undesignated MRL, including areas in the 1,000-foot separation distance from UGA and Parks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows expansion of existing operations onto undesignated lands (including 1,000 feet) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some flexibility
D-3 (NEW) Stakeholder developed hybrid option (allow for expansion/new into 1,000 feet in specific scenarios)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows expansion (and new) onto undesignated lands in specific cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barriers and parks (new and exp.) Donated parks (new and exp.) Mines expanding out of UGA into 1,000 feet (exp. only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most difficult 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most flexibility

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Decision E - Designation at the Site Level	Considerations	
	Ease of Implementation	Flexibility to Industry
E-1 Double-threshold designation, allowing into the 1,000 feet from UGAs and parks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More difficult to implement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some flexibility
E-2 If any portion is designated, the whole parcel is considered "designated" for permitting purposes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easiest to implement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most flexibility
E-3 The entire parcel must be mapped to be permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easiest to implement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Least flexibility

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QUESTIONS?

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