

**Stevenson Shoreline Master Program Update  
Responsiveness Summary: Public Release Draft SMP 2018**

February 21st, 2018 to May 24th, 2018

Between February 21st and April 22nd, 2018, the City of Stevenson accepted public comments for the following draft components of its Shoreline Master Program Update:

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| <b>-Inventory &amp; Characterization Report (ICR)</b>              | <b>-Shoreline Master Program (SMP)</b>                             |
| <b>-Shoreline Restoration Plan (RP)</b>                            | <b>-Cumulative Impacts Analysis (CIA)</b>                          |
| <b>-Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 18.08</b>                     | <b>-Stevenson Municipal Code Section 18.13.105 (and SMC 15.24)</b> |
| <b>-Stevenson Municipal Code Section 18.13.110 (and SMC 13.30)</b> |  |

Notice of the comment period was published in the Skamania County Pioneer for 8 consecutive weeks. Direct mailing of the notice occurred for all 49 owners of shoreline property within the City and the Stevenson Urban Area. An email notice was sent to a recipient list of 84 individuals representing City officials, state & county officials, property owners, business representatives and interest groups, environmentally protective groups, and tribal representatives. Throughout the comment period, weekly notices were included in 1000+ recipient-strong Undercurrents newsletter published by the Skamania County Chamber of Commerce. At the beginning of April a follow-up reminder email was sent to the original group as well as those submitting comments or questions in the interim. This second email also included notice of the listening session scheduled for April 9th, 2018 where ~20 community members were present and additional comments or questions were put forward. Despite the published deadline, written comments were accepted through May 24th, 2018 and verbal comments have been accepted at all Planning Commission and Shoreline Advisory Committee workshops.

In total, this effort allowed more than 25 individuals to contribute to the evolving draft SMP. This responsiveness summary details the content of the comments received and provides a specific response from the City Planning Commission & Shoreline Advisory Committee who are responsible for review and

#	Commenter	Date	Summary of Testimony	Staff Recommended Response (5/14--10/8)	Committee Response (5/14--10/8)	SMP Citation
1	Mark Anderson (Property Owner)	03-Mar-18	Written Comment: Parcel layer data used to delineate SEDs is inaccurate based on an 8/2013 boundary line adjustment.		5/14 Requests update to parcel map.	SMP A.4
2	Mark Anderson (Property Owner)	03-Mar-18	Written Comment, cont: Requests extending Shoreline Residential SED to extent of property line (Draft designation is Natural).		5/14 Requests to apply Shoreline Residential to entire parcel.	SMP A.4
3	Mark Anderson (Property Owner)	05-Mar-18	Written Comment: Questions reduced setback for single-family residential uses in the shoreline residential district.		5/14 Action not recommended.	SMP Table 5.1
4	Greg Retzlaff (Property Owner)	11-Mar-18	Written Comment: Questions effect of Natural SED RE: residential usage.	5/14 Provided reference to SMP Table 5.1 where residential uses would not be permitted in the Natural SED. No action recommended. 9/10 See memo. No action recommended.	5/14 Request further discussion RE: allowance of single family residential uses in the Natural SED. 9/10 Requests to continue limiting residential uses in the Natural SED.	SMP Table 5.1
5	Greg Retzlaff (Property Owner)	11-Mar-18	Written Comment, cont: Questions the process to amend SEDs.	5/14 Explained SMP amendments required an involved process but failed to provide a reference. Recommend following up with specific reference to the process.	5/14 Request follow up communication with commenter.	SMP 1.9, SMP A.4
6	Greg Retzlaff (Property Owner)	11-Mar-18	Written Comment, cont: Questions involving unclear formatting of SMP Table 5.1.	5/14 Recommend reevaluating matrix in SMP Table 5.1, potentially by adding grid lines (see attached).	5/14 Requests formatting modifications.	SMP Table 5.1
7	Sam Kolb (WDFW)	04-Apr-18	Written Comment: Explains importance of WDFW involvement with advisory committee.	5/14 Recommend expanding advisory committee participation to include additional membership/perspective.	5/14 Requests follow up to invite public to meeting, but not expand committee membership.	All
8	Sam Kolb (WDFW)	04-Apr-18	Written Comment, cont: Supports using similar vegetation conservation approach as Skamania County.	5/14 No action recommended.	5/14 No action taken.	SMP 6.4.1, SMP Table 6.2
9	Mike Engel (WKO)	06-Apr-18	Written Comment: Notes error in existing use of a shoreline parcel. Request change from abandoned to active place of business.	5/14 Verified use of property. Active place of business exists, however is located more than 200' from OHWM. Recommend modification to ICR text.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	ICR 4.3
10	Mike Engel (WKO)	06-Apr-18	Written Comment, cont: Describes errors in existing zoning. Requests change to denote existing zoning as Commercial.	5/14 Staff verified County zoning designation as Industrial (MG). However, recommend adding Commercial to Existing Land Use column.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	ICR Table 6.0-1
11	Mike Engel (WKO)	06-Apr-18	Written Comment, cont: Describes conflicts between public access and site operations within reach CR-3. Requests removal of possibility to add public	5/14 Recommend modification to Table 5.3-1 to clarify appropriate forms of public access depend on use of the site.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	ICR Table 5.3-1
12	Kristen Tiede (Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla IR)	17-Apr-18	Written Comment: Requests addition of word "resources" along with "buildings and sites" to the Overall goal #4.	5/14 Recommend inclusion as requested.  9/10 Recommend inclusion of definition as drafted (based on EO 05-05).	5/14 Request definition of "cultural resources" be added.  9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 1.4.1, SMP 7.2
13	Kristen Tiede (Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla IR)	17-Apr-18	Written Comment, cont: Requests inclusion of Tribal Historic Preservation Officer-identified sites along with sites identified by city and state officials.	5/14 Recommend inclusion as requested if conversations are successful.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.2.1
14	Kristen Tiede (Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla IR)	17-Apr-18	Written Comment, cont: Identifies preference for avoidance within a cultural resource mitigation sequence. Questions whether it can be included in SMP.	5/14 Recommend adding an avoidance preference.  9/10 Recommend adding an avoidance preference as drafted. 10/8 Recommend adding an avoidance preference as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion RE: mitigation sequence.  9/10 Requests further discussion RE: mitigation sequence. 10/8 Recommends inclusion as drafted.	SMP 4.2.3
15	Bart Vervloet (Columbia Gorge Windsurfing Association)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Promotes public access to water and continuity of access along shorelines.	5/14 Recommend evaluating comment in relation to SMP 1.4, 4.5, 5.3, 5.4.10.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
16	Bart Vervloet (Columbia Gorge Windsurfing Association)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Promotes compatibility of public access with adjacent uses.	5/14 Recommend evaluating comment in relation to SMP 1.4, 4.5, 5.2, 5.4.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	

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17	Laura Mills (Recreational User)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Requests limiting shoreline restoration to areas outside of the Urban SED.	5/14 See response related to written comments by this commenter. 9/10 See response related to written comments by this commenter (52) and Comment 33.	5/14 Requests further discussion esp. as related to potential Urban Conservancy SED. 9/10 Requests Shoreline Restoration as Conditional Use in Active Waterfront SED. Permitted in all others.	SMP 3, SMP 5, SMP Table 6-1, RP 3
18	Rick May (Recreational User)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Hopes that recreational access to the water can be balanced with habitat improvement efforts.	5/14 Recommend evaluating comment in relation to SMP 4.5, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4. 9/10 See response related to written comments 52 and 33.	5/14 Requests further discussion along with above comment. 9/10 Requests Shoreline Restoration as Conditional Use in Active Waterfront SED. Permitted in all others.	
19	Mike Greenberg (WKO)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Reiterates written comments submitted by Mike Engel.	5/14 See response related to written comments above.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
20	Mike Greenberg (WKO)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Addresses community concern RE CoPly site's potential for contamination. Reports is not an identified Superfund site.	5/14 Recommend evaluating community's concerns in relation to SMP 3.2.4, 5.4.6, 6.4.2.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
21	Kurt Grey (City Resident)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Questions how the City established the baseline for "no net-loss"	5/14 Explained ICR methodology and use of indicators for current and future shoreline analyses. No action recommended.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
22	Kurt Grey (City Resident)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Promotes considering needs of City residents as a priority over tourist development.	5/14 Recommend evaluating comment in relation to SMP 1.4, 5.2.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
23	Sherry Lels-Shippy (Property Owner)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Concerned about lack of notice to adjacent landowners in current shoreline permitting practices.	5/14 See response related to written comments by this commenter.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
24	Sherry Lels-Shippy (Property Owner)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Concerned about dredging's impact on stability of adjacent/downstream properties.	5/14 Recommend evaluating based on SMP 4.3, 6.4.5(3) and including stability as a standard for proposals in a CMZ.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	SMP 4.3, 4.4.5, 6.4.5
25	Annie McHale (City Resident)	09-Apr-18	Spoken Testimony: Supports development of shorelines by uses that make sense for city residents; balancing the needs of residents and tourists.	5/14 Recommend evaluating comment in relation to SMP 1.4, 5.2.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
26	Angus Ruck (Property Owner)	09-Apr-18	Written Comment: Questions whether biologist reports are required for routine garden maintenance.	5/14 Recommend evaluating based on SMP 4.4, 6.4.1(3), Table 6- and modifying Table 6-2. 9/10 Recommend changes to SMP 4.4 as drafted, creating tighter consistency between SMP & CAO.	5/14 Requests further discussion related to CAO and vegetation removal. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.4
27	Janice Kuhlman (Property Owner)	09-Apr-18	Written Comment: Supports retaining SMP 6.4.5-3c RE evaluate impact of dredging proposals.	5/14 No action recommended.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
28	Sherry Lels-Shippy (Property Owner)	09-Apr-18	Written Comment: Supports retaining SMP 6.4.5-3c RE evaluating impact of dredging proposals.	5/14 Recommend evaluating based on SMP 4.3, 6.4.5(3) and including stability as a standard for proposals in a CMZ. 9/10 Recommend change as drafted. 10/8 No action recommended. Recommended change approved as part of 9/10 actions.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed. 9/10 [Omitted from review] 10/8 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.5.3(8)
29	Anonymous	09-Apr-18	Written Comment: Requests summary of all the changes being proposed.	5/14 Recommend considering as a group.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
30	Anonymous	09-Apr-18	Written Comment: Requests information on this program's relationship with BNSF.	5/14 Recommend considering as a group.	5/14 No change or further discussion requested.	
31	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Identifies scrivener's errors, minor edits, and important clarifications.	5/14 Recommend amendments.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP pages: i, 1-5, 7, 11, 14, 18-20, 23, 30, 32-35, 37, 39, 42, 48, 51-53, 57-68, 70, 76, 78
32	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests changing name of Urban SED to Active Waterfront.	5/14 Recommend amending. As Ecology explains, this provides a clean-break from the 1975 SMP.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 1.8, 3.2.4, 5.3, 6.3, A.3, A.4
33	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding the Urban Conservancy SED to create a better fit for some current Urban and Natural areas.	5/14 Recommend considering changes to current map prior to addition of new SED. 9/10 Urban Conservancy SED added as option for consideration. 10/8 Recommend amended SED Map as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion, potential map changes. 9/10 Requests further discussion, potential map changes. 10/8 Requests amendment as proposed.	A.3, A.4

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34	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding exemption for ADA retrofits	5/14 Recommend amendments.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 2.5.1
35	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding optional WAC language allowing expansions related to single-family residences that are nonconforming as to use (as opposed to bulk or dimension standards) subject to issuance of a Shoreline CUP.	5/14 Staff verified areal impact is limited to properties along Atwell Road/Rock Creek Drive. Recommend evaluating desire group's desire for expanded/continued single-family residential in that area.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 2.9.1(2)
36	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Recommends adding required language related to default SED if any area is undesignated in this SMP.	5/14 Recommend including and moving of SMP 3.3 to Appendix A.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 3.3, A
37	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Recommends using different terminology in place of "regulated activity".	5/14 Recommend modifying to "review activity"	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 7.2, SMP pages 3, 7, 9, 11,
38	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Identifies inconsistency with WAC RE mitigation of environmental impacts.	5/14 Recommend inclusion of appropriate WAC requirements.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.3
39	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests exempting proposals from report requirements if they first avoid/relocate to a location outside of a CMZ.	5/14 Recommend preliminary avoidance provision.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.4.5
40	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding a preference for pervious surfaces on shoreline trails.	5/14 Recommend adding as a policy preference at SMP 4.5.2 instead of a regulation at SMP 4.5.3.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.5.2
41	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Identifies need to align water quality policies with the WAC.	5/14 Recommend amendments.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 4.6.2
42	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests modifying table to remove Maximum Height; adding as a text provision.	5/14 Recommend amendments.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 5.2, Table 5-1.
43	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Questions how view platforms overwater would be treated.	5/14 Recommend evaluating based on SMP Table 5-1, SMP 5.4.3, 5.4.10. 9/10 Recommend amendments as drafted. 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests further discussion. 10/8 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP Table 5-1, SMP 7.2
44	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Questions whether public access and shoreline restoration should be required for all public institutional use/dvlpt.	5/14 Recommend evaluating based in part on SMP 4.5.3(1)(f). 9/10 Recommend evaluating based in part on SMP 4.6.3(1)(f). 10/8 Recommend considering draft clarification in SMP 4.6.3(1)(f).	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests further discussion. 10/8 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 5.4.7
45	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests making several changes to the minor shoreline setback adjustments for residential uses.	5/14 Recommend evaluating based on discussions related to CAO and Ecology and WDFW guidance. 9/10 Recommend some amendments and further evaluating based on discussions related to CAO and Ecology and WDFW guidance.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 5.4.11
46	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding definitions related to vegetation.	5/14 Recommend amendments. (to be developed) 9/10 Recommend amendments as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 6.4.1, 7.2
47	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests containing view maintenance pruning allowance so it doesn't lead to de facto removal.	5/14 Recommend amendments. (to be developed) 9/10 Recommend amendments as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	
48	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding allowance for vegetation removal/tree pruning related to fire safety.	5/14 Recommend amendments. (to be developed) 9/10 Recommend amendments as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 6.4.1(3)(d)
49	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding definition for hazard tree.	5/14 Recommend amendments.	5/14 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 7.2
50	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Identifies required provisions of WAC missing from discussion of Shoreline Stabilization.	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 9/10 Recommend amendments as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 6.4.3

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51	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	30-Apr-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding definition of "weir".	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 9/10 Recommend amendments as drafted.	5/14 Requests further discussion. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	SMP 7.2
52	Laura Mills (Recreational User)	09-May-18	Written Comment: Suggests limiting future shoreline restoration activities in the Urban/Active Waterfront SED to a SCUP.	5/14 Recommend considering in relation to SMP 3.2.1, 4.5, 4.7, Table 6-1, 6.4.4. 9/10 Recommend considering in relation to SMP 3.2.1, 4.5, 4.7, Table 6-1, 6.4.4.	5/14 Requests further discussion along with above comment. 9/10 Requests Shoreline Restoration as Conditional Use in Active Waterfront SED. Permitted in all others.	SMP Table 6-1, SMP 6.4.4
53	Laura Mills (Recreational User)	09-May-18	Written Comment: Suggests expanding participation on shoreline advisory committee to include recreational users.	5/14 Recommend expanding advisory committee participation to include additional membership/perspective.	5/14 Requests follow up to invite public to meeting, but not expand committee membership.	
54	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	21-May-18	Written Comment: Identifies scrivener's errors, minor edits, and important clarifications.	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed.	CIA pages 1,3,7,9-14,16,18-20
55	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	21-May-18	Written Comment: Notes necessary addition of a discussion of "benefits of other local, state, federal regulatory programs" is missing as required per WAC 173-26-186	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed.	CIA "2.5"
56	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	21-May-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding additional detail to the impact analysis in Section 2.2.	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed.	CIA 2.2
57	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	21-May-18	Written Comment: Suggests adding additional detail to the impact analysis in Section 2.3.	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed.	CIA 2.3
58	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	23-May-18	Written Comment: Identifies scrivener's errors, minor edits, and important clarifications.	5/14 Recommend amendments as proposed. 8/13 Recommend changes as drafted. 9/10 Recommend changes as drafted.	8/13 Requests further review. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	RP pages 1-2, 5, 9, 11-12, 15, 17
59	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	23-May-18	Written Comment: Suggests better organization/description/differentiation of restoration actions vs restoration projects.	5/14 Recommend transforming RP Figure 3.1 into an action plan matrix. 8/13 Recommend changes as drafted. 9/10 Recommend changes as drafted.	9/10 Requests amendment as proposed. 8/13 Requests further review. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	RP 3.2
60	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	23-May-18	Written Comment: Notes lack of required implementation timeline/benchmarks	5/14 Recommend inclusion of timeline in new matrix. 8/13 Recommend changes as drafted. 9/10 Recommend changes as drafted.	9/10 Requests amendment as proposed. 8/13 Requests further review. 9/10 Requests amendment as proposed.	RP 4.3
61	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	24-May-18	Written Comment: Identifies Scrivener's errors, minor edits, and important clarifications.	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed.	ICR pages v-vi, 12,28-29,39,48, -----
62	Michelle McConnell (Ecology Liaison)	24-May-18	Written Comment: Identifies need to update Map Inventory	5/14 Recommend amendments (to be developed). 10/8 Recommend amendments as drafted.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed.	ICR Appendix C
63	Mark Anderson (Property Owner)	24-May-18	Written Comment: Reacts based on misconception of Committee Actions related to the SED map.	5/14 Staff discussed this with the commenter over the phone. Cleared up misconception. No further action recommended. 9/10 No action recommended. 10/8 No action recommended.	10/8 Requests amendments as proposed. 9/10 [Omitted from review] 10/8 Action not requested	SED Map
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