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# ANACORTES SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM

PERIODIC UPDATE

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Planning Commission  
July 22, 2020  
Workshop

Shoreline Management Act (SMA) (Ch. 90.58 RCW)  
Washington Administrative Code Chapter 173-96, and 173-97 WAC



# PROJECT INFORMATION



Project Webpage: <https://www.anacorteswa.gov/1095/SMP-Update>

Staff reports, resources, notices, and public participation plan (pending update) are on the project webpage.



Notify Me

<https://www.anacorteswa.gov/list.aspx>

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# PLAN FOR TONIGHT

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1. Background and Context (staff)
2. SMP Periodic Update Video (the Watershed Co.)
3. PC Questions and Discussion (All)
4. Community Comments





# PROJECT TEAM

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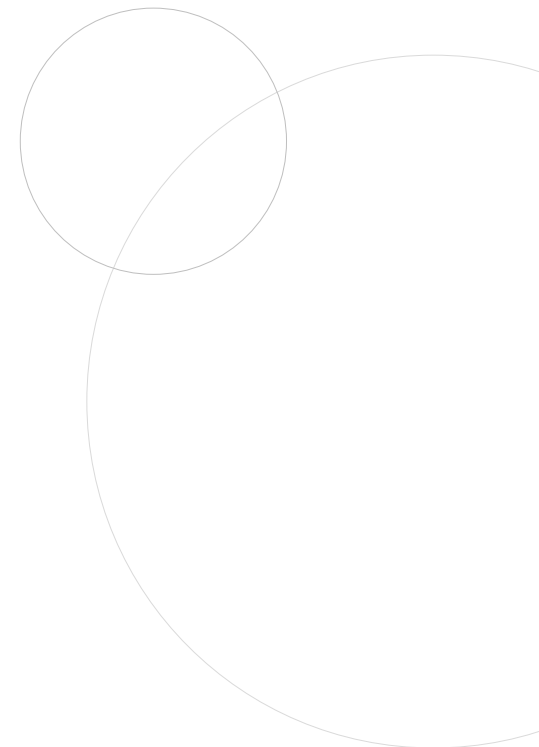
## The Watershed Company

- Alex Capron, Environmental Planner & GIS Analyst
- Dan Nickel, Vice President



## City of Anacortes Staff

- Don Measamer, PCED Director
- Libby Grage, Planning Manager / Project Contact
- Tess Cooper, Associate Planner



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# BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

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# SHORELINE MANAGEMENT ACT (SMA)

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## *Overarching Goal:*

*“...To prevent the inherent harm in an uncoordinated and piecemeal development of the state’s shorelines.”*

## **More Information:**

[Revised Code of Washington Chapter 90.58 RCW](#)

Washington Administrative Code [Chapter 173-26](#), and [173-27 WAC](#)

WA State Department of Ecology [Shoreline Management page](#)

- 1971 – passed by WA State legislature
- 1972 – adopted by voters
- Requires development and implementation of Shoreline Master Programs by cities and counties
- Roles & Responsibilities:
  - Local Governments –
    - Prepare a “Master Program” and develop a permit system
  - WA State Department of Ecology
    - supportive and review capacity – with emphasis on providing assistance to insure compliance with SMA
    - Substantive review and decision on SCUPs and SVARs

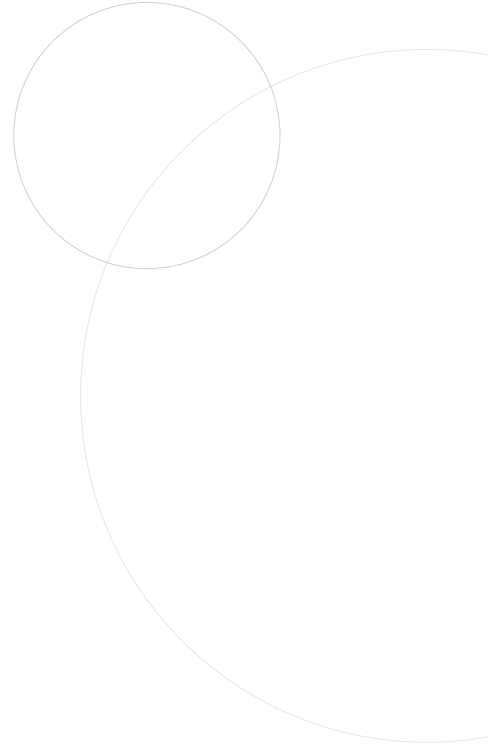


# ANACORTES SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM (SMP)

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## *Anacortes SMP Legislative History*

- **1977 – Anacortes adopts 1<sup>st</sup> Shoreline Master Program (Ord. 1704)**
- 1980, '81, '82, – Minor local amendments (Ord. 1835, 1850, 1888)
- **1983 – Major Update - New SMP (Ord. 1908)**
- 1985, '88 – Minor local Amendments (Ord. 1997, 2063)
- **2001 – Major Update - New SMP (Ord. 2555)**
- **2010 – Comprehensive Update – New SMP (Ord. 2837)**
- **2020 – Current Periodic Update**





# SMP IMPLEMENTATION

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- All “Development” within shoreline jurisdiction must conform to SMA and SMP
- Shoreline Permit Types:
  - Letter of Exemption – Type 1
  - Shoreline Substantial Development Permit – Type 3-PC or Type 4-CC
  - Shoreline Conditional Use Permit – Type 3-PC; Ecology decision
  - Shoreline Variance – Type 3-PC – Ecology decision
- Appeals
  - Local appeals (per Table AMC 19.20.030)
  - Shoreline Hearings Board (21 days from date of filing w/ Ecology)





## PROJECT MILESTONES TO DATE – 2020 SMP Periodic Update

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July 2019: Executed contract with The Watershed Company

Oct 2019: 1<sup>st</sup> Open House (in-person)

Dec 2019: Executed Ecology Grant Funding Agreement

Mar 2020: Completed Gap Analysis & Draft Proposed Amendments placed on website

Mar 2020: 2<sup>nd</sup> Open House (online)

July 22 2020: Planning Commission Workshop

Next Steps: Finalize draft proposed amendments for public comment, advertise joint public comment period (30 days) and hold public hearing; SEPA determination; PC recommendation to City Council (Fall/Winter timeframe)

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# VIDEO PRESENTATION

Watch Video:

[https://anacortes.granicus.com/player/clip/526?view\\_id=2](https://anacortes.granicus.com/player/clip/526?view_id=2)



Presented by Alex Capron, The Watershed Company



October 30, 2019 Open House



# CAO & SMP UPDATE TIMELINES **DRAFT**

Regs.	PC Workshop	SEPA	PC Public Hearing	PC Rec. to CC	CC Review	CC Public Hearing (if req'd)	Adoption
CAO Update	7/26/17-12/4/19	11/27/19	12/18/19	1/22/20	August, 2020 	September 2020	October 2020
SMP Update	July/Aug., 2020 	September 2020	October, 2020	Winter	Winter	Winter	June, 2021 at the latest

Joint Local/DOE  
Public Comment  
Period  
& Public Hearing



# Codification & Reorganization

SMP regulations to be re-located from standalone document to Title 19.

SMP content	Existing Location	New Location (DRAFT)
<b>Goals and Policies</b>	2010 SMP	Comprehensive Plan
<b>Development Regulations</b>	2010 SMP	AMC Ch. 19.72 Shorelines
<b>Administrative Provisions and Procedures</b>	2010 SMP – Ch. 3 AMC Ch. 18.16 AMC Ch. 19.20 Procedures	AMC Ch. 19.20 Procedures AMC Ch. 19.3X Permits
<b>Definitions</b>	2010 SMP – Ch. 12	Title 19 - TBD
<b>Shoreline Specific Critical Areas Regulations</b>	2010 SMP – Appendix A	AMC 19.70 Critical Areas Regulations incorporated by reference, excepting certain sections that are inconsistent with the SMP
<b>Shoreline Restoration Plan</b>	2010 SMP – Appendix B	TBD



# QUESTIONS?



# THANK YOU



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