

Ocean Shores Shoreline Master Program

Comment Period: January 16 to February 15, 2018, by 5 p.m.

The Department of Ecology is holding a state public comment period for the Ocean Shores Shoreline Master Program update. Authority for the update is based on Washington's Shoreline Management Act (Ch. 90.58 RCW) and related rules.

The proposed Master Program will entirely replace the City's existing program, last amended in 1991, and will guide development and activities along over 70 miles of shoreline including the Pacific Ocean, Grays Harbor, Duck Lake, and the canals. The proposed program prioritizes water-oriented uses and development within the City's shoreline areas; identifies potential restoration projects for future shoreline restoration efforts in a Restoration Plan; and, incorporates critical area regulations to ensure the protection of sensitive areas within shoreline jurisdiction.

Ecology will compare Ocean Shores' proposed program to the requirements of the Shoreline Management Act and the Shoreline Master Program Guidelines. Based on the comparison, Ecology will decide whether to:

- Approve the program as is or with recommended changes; or,
- Send the proposed program back to Ocean Shores with required changes to meet statutory and rule requirements. Recommended changes may also be included with the required changes.

Send comments to: Kim Van Zwalenburg, WA Dept. of Ecology, PO Box 47775, Olympia, WA 98504-7775, or email to: kim.vanzwalenburg@ecy.wa.gov

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Documents available for review at:

- WA Department of Ecology, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98503, 360-407-6520.

Web:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Shoreline-coastal-management/Shoreline-coastal-planning/Status-of-local-Shoreline-Master-Programs-SMP/Ocean-Shores>

- Ocean Shores Planning Department/Permit Office, 801 Minard Ave. NW, Bldg B, Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Questions: 360-407-6520. **ADA accommodation:** 360-407-7058, Relay Service 711, or TTY 877-833-6341.