

## **Shorelines and Critical Areas Public Workshop and Expert Panel**

Notes from the Flip Chart

6 October 2004

1. What information about the CAO update is available now?
2. Timeframe for CAO – allows very little time for citizen input.
3. Private ownership of shoreline – natural shoreline vs. developed on private land.
4. Example of ecosystem improvement that would be restricted under SMP today.
5. Revised SMA guidelines are more flexible and site-specific than previous SMA.
6. Agricultural concerns: expecting to review what is working and not working and only change what is not working.
7. Buffers and Ag (other than dairy) – creative answers?
8. Be careful of standard regulations, we suggest the CIDMP (Comprehensive Irrigation District Management Plan) approach. The farming community would like performance standards.
9. What is an approved conservation plan?
10. Citizens committee, what % represents Birch Bay vs. ag? Anybody on the committee who works the land? Will SMP affect ag?
11. Drainage issues, creek vs. ditch.
12. How important is the Citizens Advisory Committee?
13. Mitigation: who is responsible?
14. Keep it simple, focus on the mandatory requirements.
15. When there is a need, there must be a remedy.
16. WID's – allow to be lead in protection. Build on this concept (Ten Mile)
17. Time frame – need proposed language now.
18. If there are mandatory buffers, federal money will go away.
19. Why difference between private landowners and public lands?
20. Where is the science in support of natural vegetation (native), and standard 100foot buffer?
21. Wetland or farmed wetland?
22. What is a "habitat conservation area"?
23. Snohomish Conservation District – buffers
24. Reach out to other counties.
25. Farming and wetlands vs. development mitigation.
26. Existing road 50' from river, could have different environmental designations on either side of the river. Parallel environmental regulations.
27. Freeway, changed flow of water, county raised culvert – destroyed natural drainage. How will this be addressed?