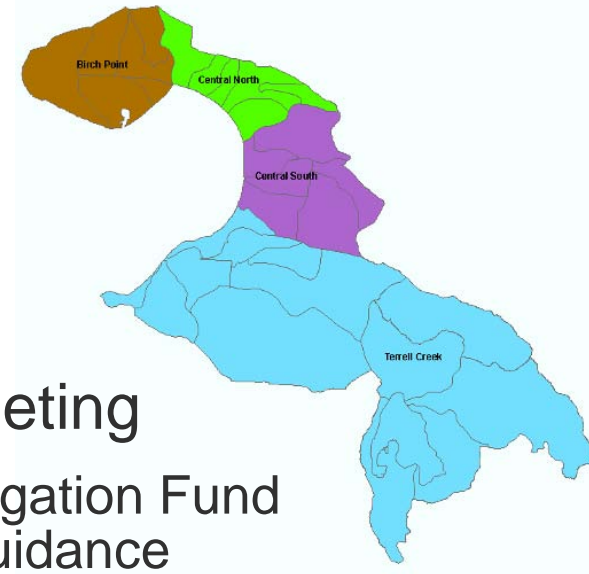


Birch Bay Watershed Action Plan



Ad Hoc Stakeholder Workgroup
August 17, 2011

Ad Hoc Recap



- Ad Hoc Stakeholder Group Intro Meeting
 - June 16 - LID Proposal and Habitat Mitigation Fund need modification, Wait for state LID Guidance
- Policy, Codes, Incentives Focus Meeting
 - July 20 - Program goals and policy direction
- LID Qualification Focus Meeting
 - July 26 – Examples, cost, minimum requirements, etc
- Alternative Mitigation Option Focus Meeting
 - Aug. 10 – Impact examples, buffer functions, admin
- Ad Hoc Stakeholder Group Recommendations



Summary of Benefits to Community

- Growth that reflects community values
 - Community Development
 - Improved Aesthetics
- Minimizes downstream stormwater impacts
- Protects environmental resources
- Habitat mitigation where it has best chance for success

Summary of Benefits to builders/owners

- Flexibility in handling stormwater
 - Cost savings and more marketable
 - Sizing charts for small projects
- Flexible lot sizes/height/setbacks
- Reduced stormwater fees
- More clarity in mitigating CAO impacts

LID Program Issues

- Point system is useful, but needs to be simplified
- Should encourage redevelopment
- WC does a poor job of providing info on development regulations
- Approach should be piloted for 3 - 5 years, evaluation criteria should be established
- Maintenance is critical for stormwater facilities
- Should be aligned with NPDES requirements
- LID can improve the look and feel of the community, and can be marketed as such
- The average annual runoff standard is an accepted performance measure for engineered stormwater systems

Alternative Mitigation Issues

- What buffer impacts can be mitigated off-site?
- Are there circumstances where “avoidance” is not the best ecological outcome
- Can we have separate rules for "development" sub-watersheds than the others
- Will the cyclical nature of development make administration of the program untenable

Questions

