



Whatcom County Planning Commission  
5280 Northwest Drive  
Bellingham WA 98226

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**AGENDA**  
**WHATCOM COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**January 26, 2012**

The Whatcom County Planning Commission will hold a meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the County Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham.

**Call to Order**

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**Department Update**

**Open Session for Public Comment**

**Commissioner Comments**

**Approval of Minutes** of December 8, 2011

**Work Session**

File #2011-00012: Birch Bay Watershed Action Plan – Proposed changes to the Zoning Code and the Critical Areas Ordinance. The proposed addition to the Title 20 (WCC 20.50) establishes a rating system for projects that wish to qualify as Low Impact Development. The amendment to the Critical Areas Ordinance (WCC 16.16) establishes a government sponsored mitigation program, changes in buffer widths, and new criteria for wetland avoidance in the Birch Bay watershed.

**Other Business**

**Adjournment**

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*There are nine members on the Whatcom County Planning Commission. If you will be giving written information to the Commissioners, please give a copy to the Coordinator for our office files.*

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