

LAMIRD designations from three other WA county comprehensive plans

	SKAGIT County		SAN JUAN County		MASON County	
	Designation	Function	Designation	Function	Designation	Function
Type I LAMIRDS	Rural Intermediate	Residential-only	Residential Activity Centers (RAC – 2 total)	Residential-only; higher density than 1:5 w/non-rural level of capital facilities or services	Rural Activity Centers (RACs – 3 total)	Mixed-use; more intensive than Hamlets; regional scale
	Rural Village Residential (RVR)	Historic communities; residential-only; densities dependent on level of services				
	Rural Village Commercial (RVC)	Historic communities; must fall w/in boundaries of Rural Village designation; provides everyday goods, services, lodging	Hamlet Activity Centers (HAC – 4 total)	Mixed use; commercial centers with good and services; include community water		
	Rural Center (RC – 6 total)	Smaller in size & intensity than RVC; neighborhood (2.5 mi radius) scale; no new residential unless accessory to commercial	Village Activity Centers (VAC – 2 total)	Mixed use; only rural gov't services; include community sewage and water	Hamlets (11 total)	Mixed use; small, neighborhood scale
	Rural Freeway Service (RFS – 4 total)	I-5 goods & services; no residential				
	Rural Marine Industrial (RMI – 4 total)	Existing facilities that support & enable marine industry & commerce	Island Centers (2 total)	Comm/Ind uses; no new residential development		
	Natural Resource Industrial (NRI)	Only some NRI areas are LAMIRD-designated; processing, wholesaling & storage				
Type II LAMIRDS	Small-Scale Recreation and Tourism	Outdoor recreation & lodging; no residential; limited to 35 lodging units (+RV, campsites) & 20 acres development total	N/A	Only use Master Planned Resort designation (RCW 36.70A.360) – <i>urban, not rural scale designation</i>	Tourist Recreational Uses	Small, limited scale; 1 mile spacing requirement

	Skagit County		San Juan County		Mason County	
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Type III LAMIRDs	Rural Businesses	Existing only – included nonconforming based on windshield survey + assessors. Granted all Comm/Ind zoning, as appropriate to use.	Rural Industrial (RI)	<i>No formal reference to Type III LAMIRD.</i> Residential as accessory only; industrial zoning	Isolated Commercial/Industrial Uses	Designated based on existing + assessors + field verification & established Comm/Ind zoning, as appropriate to use. New have min. 1 mile spacing ¹ to/from other LAMIRDs & UGAs.
	Small-Scale Business	New only – rezone app; uses limited to production, repair, services, retail only for produced items; up to 20 FTE employees	Rural Commercial (RC)	<i>No formal reference to Type III LAMIRD.</i> Residential as accessory only; commercial zoning		
Notes	All must be consistent with rural character of area & compatible with adopted community plans for areas. Specific uses and zoning vary based on community plan for areas.		Only formally designate Type I LAMIRDs (though RI & RC reflect RCW language for Type III). Currently reducing size of LAMIRDs due to appeal. Large undeveloped tracts w/in ok if protected, not ok if subdividable (from their experience).		Only NEW RESOURCE-BASED Comm/Ind businesses can locate in LAMIRDs. Existing (non-resource-based) commercial/industrial businesses can continue operations & expand w/in limits.	

¹ Spacing requirements are not unusual for use as a Type II or III LAMIRD designation criterion, typically measured by distance travelled along county roads. Pierce County uses a 2 mile distance measure; Snohomish County uses a 2.5 distance measure.