

# Comprehensive Plan

Annual Newsletter

July 2010

## How does the amendment process work?

Suggested changes are submitted by 6/30 of each year.

Docket is created and available for public review of all suggested amendments.

Written comments accepted up to the closing of the Board of Commissioners' public hearing.

Public notice provided for any study sessions and hearings regarding amendments.

A newsletter shall be distributed and copies of proposed amendments made available.

The Planning Commission and County Commissioners review testimony and decide by 12/31 of each year.

Notice of Decision is published.

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## 2010 Annual Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan

Suggested amendments to the County's Comprehensive Plan are docketed with Community Development Services each year for consideration by the Kittitas County Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners (KCC 15B.03.030). The 2010 docket is as follows:

1. Ellensburg UGA Commercial Ag De-designation.
2. Thorp Resource Land Reserve Evaluation.
3. BDG Forest Land De-Designation.
4. Murphy Forest Land De-Designation.
5. Keechelus Forest Land De-Designation.
6. Hirsch Forest Land De-Designation.
7. Mapping Correction in Easton Vicinity - Rural Residential to Forest and Range.
8. Mapping Correction in Southwest Ellensburg Vicinity- Urban Residential to General Commercial.
9. Adoption by Reference of the Ellensburg Economic Development Group Plan.
10. Development Regulation Amendments for Consistency and Clarity - KCC 15.04 SEPA Regulations, KCC 15A Project Permit Application Process, KCC 15B Amendments to County Plans, Codes, and Standards, KCC 16



Subdivision, and KCC 17 Zoning.

11. KCC 16.09 Performance Based Cluster Platting Amendment to Revise Criteria and Rating System.
12. Thorp LAMIRD III Expansion, Ellison Thorp Estate applicant.
13. Thorp Travel Center Rezone, Ellison Thorp Estate applicant.
14. Concrete Batch Plants Conditional Use Clarification, Ellensburg Cement Products applicant.
15. Midvale Rezone, Van de Graaf Ranches, Inc. applicant.

## Growth Management Act: Comprehensive Plan Compliance

The Eastern Washington Growth Hearings Board has found the County to be noncompliant with GMA regarding the adopted City of Kittitas Urban Growth Area, the Vantage LAMIRD area, and the Snoqualmie Pass MPR area.

The Eastern Washing-

ton Growth Hearings Board Findings are posted on the County's website at the following location:

<http://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/cds/compplan2009-reports.asp>

The County will present a revised land use designation

for the three areas at two public meetings on July 27th and July 29th.

These revised designations will then be presented to the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners for approval prior to the Hearings Board deadline of November 22nd.



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### From the Cascades ... to the Columbia

Community Development Services and Public Works are sharing staffing resources for the second year in a row on major planning activities such as the Annual Comprehensive Plan amendment and the GMA compliance work. The planning team for 2010 includes:

- Dan Valoff, CDS Planner
- Jeff Watson, PWD Planner
- Anna Nelson, Contract Planning Official
- Jan Ollivier, CDS Interim Planning Manager
- Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor



### Upcoming Public Meetings

#### **Tuesday, July 27**

GMA Compliance Public Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Teanaway Hall, Kittitas County Fair-  
grounds Event Center, Ellensburg

#### **Thursday, July 29**

GMA Compliance Public Meeting  
6:00 p.m. The Summit at Snoqualmie West, 1001  
SR 906, Snoqualmie Pass

#### **Tuesday, August 17**

Annual Comp. Plan Amendment Open House  
4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Upper District Court, 700  
East 1st Street, Cle Elum

#### **Thursday, August 19**

Annual Comp. Plan Amendment Open House  
4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Community Development  
Services, 411 North Ruby, Ellensburg

#### **Tuesday, August 24**

Planning Commission Public Hearing  
GMA Compliance & Annual Comp. Plan  
Amendment  
6:00 p.m. Commissioners' Auditorium  
205 West Fifth Street, Ellensburg

#### **Tuesday, October 5**

Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing  
GMA Compliance & Annual Comp. Plan  
Amendment  
6:00 p.m. Commissioners' Auditorium  
205 West Fifth Street, Ellensburg

