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“Building Partnerships – Building Communities”

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE: October 19, 2021

ACTION REQUESTED: Request to Set a Public Hearing to Consider Critical Areas Ordinance Update

BACKGROUND: CDS staff is requesting to set a virtual public hearing for November 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Webex to consider updates to Kittitas County Title 17A: Critical Areas Ordinance. The proposed update will bring the existing regulations, dating to 1994, into compliance with current Washington State regulations and Best Available Science.

A Planning Commission virtual public hearing is scheduled for October 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the proposed updates. A staff report containing staff recommendations and Planning Commission recommendations, along with a draft of the Critical Areas Ordinance will be provided prior to the public hearing. A current draft of the Critical Areas Ordinance, as well as technical memos and updated Critical Aquifer Recharge Mapping is available for review on the Community Development Services website:

<https://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/cds/cao/default.aspx>

INTERACTION: CDS, Board of County Commissioners

ATTACHMENTS: None

STAFF

RECOMMENDATION: Set a virtual public hearing to consider updates to the Critical Areas Ordinance for November 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m via Webex.

HANLDING: Presentation to the Board by Kittitas County Community Development Services.

RESPONSIBLE STAFF: Jeremy Johnston, Planning Official