Kittitas County Critical Areas Ordinance Update

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY AND SUMMARY OF SUBMITTED COMMENTS

For August 10, 2012 Meeting

Meeting Attendees:

TAC Members: Present: Linda Baker, Sean Gross, Mark Teske, Jason Smith,

Absent: Liz Ritzenthaler, John Marvin, Anna Lael, Cathy Reed, Paul James

Chair: Robert "Doc" Hansen

Staff & Dan Valoff, Stephanie Mifflin, Kirk Holmes

Consultants: Anna Nelson, Margaret Clancy

Others: John Ufkes

Action Items from Meeting:

Agenda Item 2. Preliminary BAS Review and Considerations for Code Update: Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas

 TAC members to review and comment on preliminary BAS, potential code updates, and maps by August 17th.

Agenda Item 3. Preliminary BAS Review and Considerations for Code Update: Geologically Hazardous Areas

- TAC members to review and comment on preliminary BAS and potential code updates by August 17th.
- Dan Valoff to forward the hazardous slope handout from the Building Department to Margaret C.

Summary:

Agenda Item 2. Preliminary BAS Review and Considerations for Code Update: Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas

Margaret C. stated it would be helpful to glance back at the maps while reviewing the BAS. Margaret stated that the maps need additional work and asked TAC members to provide comments on them.

Sean G. stated that the groundwater quality doesn't have much of a baseline and asked if there are concerns regarding this.



Margaret C. stated that the groundwater quality is based on susceptibility of contamination and there is not a lot of information on groundwater quality in general. Margaret asked TAC members that if sources of groundwater quality are available to let ESA know.

Mark T. stated that on page 1, paragraph 2 on the CARA BAS document, quantity and quality is an issue outside of drinking water.

Jason S. suggested looking at Ecology and the County Health Department's records for results of water tests.

Dan V. stated that wellhead protection zones have already been identified.

Kirk H. stated that Group A and B systems should be readily available to use for mapping.

Dan V. stated that individual wells are mapped, but not necessarily Group A and B.

Agenda Item 3. Preliminary BAS Review and Considerations for Code Update: Geologically Hazardous Areas

Margaret C. gave an overview of the draft BAS.

Mark T. asked about alluvial fan systems.

Margaret C. stated the existing County Code will potentially need additional provisions regarding these.

Anna N. stated the proposed draft Critical Areas regulations will be sent out when ESA and the County complete the draft. Anna stated the County is currently looking at the Comprehensive Plan policies and how and when they will be rewritten.

Agenda Item 4. Next Meeting and Next Steps

Anna N. briefed the TAC on the formation of the Citizens Advisory Committee and stated a meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 17th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

(See next page for summary of submitted TAC comments)

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Summary of Submitted Comments and Initial Responses

The following is a summary of written comments submitted related to the meeting agenda items. The comments shown below are excerpts from these items that include the specific comments. Also shown are the initial responses to the comments.

No.	Name	Comment	Response
# X	Name Title/Location Date of Em/Ltr	Comment shown below may be a summary or an excerpt from submitted comments.	Response from Consultant team
1	Sean Gross, TAC 8/13 email	Provided comments on draft Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas report.	Comments will be evaluated for draft regulations