Appendix B. Sewer System Costs and Revenues

- Wastewater Planning and Finance Statement: 2012 CFP
- Kitsap Health: 2015 Correspondence

KITSAP COUNTY UGA SIZING AND COMPOSITION REMAND Wastewater Planning and Finance Statement of Local Circumstances and Strategies

PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to evaluate the provision of adequate and available urban-level wastewater service in UGAs in Kitsap County. This policy evaluation will include review of the Kitsap County UGAs characteristics; applicable Washington State law regarding capital facility provision; forms of appropriate wastewater methods; as well as existing and future strategies for financing needed infrastructure. As discussed below, this policy evaluation will show that Kitsap County has met the GMA requirements for adequate and available wastewater services within the UGA at the time of development.

INTRODUCTION

Recent Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board (CPSGMHB) decisions¹ have directed Kitsap County to document the provision of urban-levels of wastewater service to its entire urban growth areas (UGAs) within the 20-year planning horizon. This issue is not isolated to Kitsap County, its cities and service providers; nor does it affect only the current planning horizon (2005-2025). These Growth Hearings Board opinions suggest that jurisdictions must show full wastewater financing and construction for each UGA twenty years after initial designation. For Kitsap County, this exercise requires an assessment of the current planning horizon and proposed new UGA boundaries, and also includes the UGA boundaries established in 1998. There is no clear GMA definition as to what precisely constitutes an "adequate urban wastewater system." Recent Growth Hearings Board opinions on wastewater adequacy require Kitsap County to present a clear definition as to what is an acceptable urban-level wastewater treatment method; whether wastewater is subject to the concurrency requirement in state law; and the level to which jurisdictions must show public financing for these facilities. This is a definition with

¹ Suquamish Tribe et al. v. Kitsap County, CPSGMHB 07-3-0019c, Final Decision & Order (8/15/2007); KCRP et al. v. Kitsap County ("KCRP IV"), CPSGMHB 06-3-0007, Final Decision & Order (7/26/06).

² Compare, e.g., *Harless v. Kitsap County*, CPSGMHB No. 07-3-0032, Order on Dispositive Motion (11/15/07) ("[P]rivately-owned services and facilities providing a public service fall within the rubric of governmental urban services."; the Board implies that Large On-Site Septic Systems may be considered urban in nature depending upon the community served) with *Advocates for Responsible Development et al. v. Mason County*, WWGMHB No. 06-2-0005, Compliance Order on Plan and Development Regulations – Sewer in Belfair UGA (11/14/2007)(Holding community septic systems are a rural service, not allowed in urban areas under any circumstances.) *See also*, Letter from Juli Wilkerson, Director State Dept. of Community Trade and Economic Development to Cris Gears, Kitsap County Administrator (11/3/2006)("Although the proposed [LOSS] system is not a traditional extension of wastewater service through hook-up to a central plant, if the proposed on-site system serves urban levels of development, we believe it is consequently an urban level of service.")

statewide implications as most jurisdictions are now reaching the end of their first Comprehensive Plan's 20-year planning horizons.

KITSAP COUNTY'S DEVELOPMENT HISTORY

Founded in 1857, Kitsap County is located on the Kitsap Peninsula in Washington State and comprises a total land mass of 393 square miles. Kitsap County ranks 36th in size among the 39 Washington Counties, and is the third most densely populated county in the state. Since the 1800s, growth has been largely attributable to the expansion of lumber mill operations and Department of Defense naval work at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard with development primarily centered around employment centers in Bremerton, Port Orchard, and Bainbridge Island. Development in these core areas utilized public sewer systems while construction of developments located on the outer edges predominantly were served by on-site septic systems (e.g. Illahee, West Hills). While growth had continued with the expansions of the Naval Shipyard during and after World War II, it was the development of the Trident Naval Subbase in the 1970s that spurred the most recent employment boom. With this new naval facility came federal investment in infrastructure including highway improvements and the Brownsville Wastewater Treatment Plant (known today as the Central Kitsap Wastewater Treatment Plant). In close proximity to the new facility and infrastructure improvements, the areas north of East Bremerton and the emerging community of Silverdale saw a significant amount of growth pressure. These areas, and, to a lesser degree, South Kitsap, Poulsbo and Kingston, saw rapid development of new residential neighborhoods and commercial centers to serve this new facility.

These areas developed in various ways. Many large-scale developments on substantial areas of vacant land used local improvement districts (LIDs) or developer extensions to connect to the new public sewer plant (e.g. downtown Silverdale and Ridgetop), creating a more dense development pattern. Other developments developed in "suburban" subdivision design with some having larger suburban lots with on-site septic systems. These "suburban" designs commonly included a single access point onto a main roadway, a meandering street system with cul-de-sac end points, and lot sizes greater than 1/3-acre to accommodate the use of traditional on-site septic systems (Figure 1).

By the time Washington State legislature adopted the Growth Management Act (GMA) in 1990, much of Kitsap County's developed areas had already been dotted with this "suburban" residential subdivision pattern



Figure 1. *Pre-GMA Subdivision, Southwest Silverdale UGA*

served by on-site septic development. Kitsap County wrestled with the ability to provide land for new growth while accommodating existing development patterns. In 1998, Kitsap County adopted a Comprehensive Plan under the GMA and designated ten UGAs that included many of these "suburban developments". While the densities of these "suburban developments" were generally lower than the core urban areas, and are neither completely urban nor rural in nature, their public service demand (transportation, law and justice, parks, fire) was and continue to be largely urban. On balance, these areas have been considered to be more urban than rural and hence were included within the UGAs as "Tier 2" lands (see below). Importantly, these lands meet the GMA definition of "urban growth": "growth that makes intensive use of land for the location of buildings, structures, and impermeable surfaces to such a degree as to be incompatible with the primary use of land for the production of food, other agricultural products, or fiber, or the extraction of mineral resources, rural uses, rural development, and natural resource lands designated pursuant to RCW 36.70A.170." Additionally, these pre-GMA Tier 2 developments are fully developed and have little to no redevelopment potential due to their original design, plat conditions and covenants.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT PROVISIONS

Goals of the Act

The GMA provides legislative policy guidance on the creation of local comprehensive and capital facility plans which guide growth and development. The GMA is based upon 14 guiding, non-prioritized goals.

These goals are not mutually exclusive and must be balanced in the creation of local planning documents and facility plans. Of the fourteen goals, three goals in particular are related to ensuring wastewater service provision in UGAs, which include:

- (1) Urban growth. Encourage development in urban areas where adequate public facilities and services exist or can be provided in an efficient manner.
- (2) Reduce sprawl. Reduce the inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land into sprawling, low-density development.
- (12) Public facilities and services. Ensure that those public facilities and services necessary to support development shall be adequate to serve the development at the time the

³ Kitsap County's established its compliant UGAs pursuant to CPSGMHB direction in *Association of Rural Residents* (ARR) v. Kitsap County, CPSGMHB 93-2-0010, FDO (6/3/1994), where the Growth Hearings Board extensively discussed the "tiering systems" to be used in establishing a UGA and phasing growth within, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.110(1) and (3). In that decision, the CPSGMHB made it clear that there shall only be "nonurban growth" outside of a UGA. Further, the establishment of a UGA shall first be limited to city limits, and if they cannot accommodate growth, then the UGAs may include areas that already have urban growth located on it. (Referred to as "Tier 2 lands" herein).

⁴ RCW 36.70A. 030(19). Moreover, because of their proximity to cities and other urban areas, these types of development could not be considered as Limited Areas of More Intensive Rural Development (LAMIRDs) under RCW 36.70A.070(5)(d).

⁵ RCW 36.70A.020 ; RCW 36.70A.480(1).

development is available for occupancy and use without decreasing current service levels below locally established minimum standards.

Goal 1 suggests that urban areas should have adequate public facilities and services, or be able to be provided with them at some point in an efficient manner. Goal 2 indicates that there should be no more post-GMA development of sprawling low-density development. Goal 12 generally deals with prospective development and concurrency, i.e., all future growth should occur with the development of concurrent facilities and services necessary to support that growth. These goals lay down the framework for the definition of urban services, such as wastewater, as "those public services and public facilities at an intensity historically and typically provided in cities, specifically including storm and sanitary sewer systems, domestic water systems, street cleaning services, fire and police protection services, public transit services, and other public utilities associated with urban areas and normally not associated with rural areas." This is the most detail that the GMA provides in defining urban wastewater systems; although it specifically includes sewer systems as an urban service, it does not exclude other wastewater systems that may provide treatment for urban-level development. As described later in this paper, alternative wastewater technologies may better match local topographic constraints and soils, while supporting urban densities.

Applying this definition, the historical and typical provision of the wastewater facilities provided in Kitsap County cities (Bainbridge Island, Poulsbo, Bremerton and Port Orchard) includes a wide range of technologies. While each of Kitsap County's cities include a traditional public sewer conveyance system with Bainbridge Island, Port Orchard and Bremerton maintaining their own sewer treatment facilities, each allow multiple systems including grinder pumps and properly-functioning septic systems. None of the three jurisdictions require the decommissioning of these existing septic systems and the transition to traditional sewer facilities. These systems are components of the sewer systems and generally serve existing suburban development without an expectation of future redevelopment during the 20-year planning horizon.

Designation of UGAs

In the early days of GMA, the CPSGMHB gave Kitsap County direction in establishing compliant UGAs. In that decision, the Hearings Board provided a lengthy discussion of the GMA provisions concerning UGAs, and the legislature's priority to classify urban lands. The CPSGMHB made it clear that "only 'nonurban' growth can occur outside a UGA," which means that existing urban growth should be included within a

⁶ RCW 36.70A.030 (18).

⁷ Association of Rural Residents (ARR) v. Kitsap County, CPSGMHB 93-3-0010, FDO (6/3/1994).

⁸ RCW 36.70A.110(1) and (3). While RCW 36.70A.110(1) deals with the initial designation, subsection .110(3) deals with phasing of growth within a UGA.

⁹ ARR, supra at *32.

UGA. The 1994 Association of Rural Residents (ARR) v. Kitsap County decision also set forth a type of "tiering system" for designating UGA boundaries as follows: 10

- 1) A county must first look to established cities as the UGAs.
- 2) If the existing cities cannot accommodate all projected growth, the county may include "only if that additional territory is already 'land having urban growth located on it.'"11
- 3) If the existing cities and land with urban growth do not accommodate growth, additional territory may be added that is "land located in relationship to an area with urban growth on it as to be appropriate for urban on it as to be appropriate for urban growth."
- 4) If there is still need for territory after the first three steps above are added, additional territory adjacent to territory already having urban growth may be allowed.
- 5) After all territory set forth above is included, additional territory may be added if it is adjacent to territory that is already located in relationship to an area with urban growth on it as to be appropriate for urban growth. 12

After a UGA is established, new growth should be directed into the UGA utilizing a three tier priority system in the following order.

- 1) Areas already characterized by urban growth that have adequate existing public facility and service capacities to serve such development. (These areas include existing development at urban densities connected to a public sewer plant.)
- 2) Areas already characterized by urban growth that will be served adequately by a combination of both existing public facilities and services and any additional needed public facilities and services that are provided by either public or private sources. (These are areas of urban or suburban development in proximity to urban services but may be using other means of wastewater treatment, such as on-site septic systems.)
- 3) The remaining portions of the UGAs. (All other areas with no urban character or urban services.) 13

¹⁰ This paper does not address the other "exceptions" discussed by the Board for locating urban growth outside of established cities, i.e., fully contained communities or master planned resorts.

¹¹ Quoting RCW 36.70A.110(1). Note, in 1995 the legislature amended this provision adding language that clarifies "whether or not the urban growth area includes a city." These lands are referred to as "Tier 2 lands" in this paper.

¹² ARR, supra, at *38.

¹³ However, the Board noted that there is no "temporal phasing" requirement o this requirement: "The Board holds that the Act neither mandates nor prohibits temporal phasing of development within a UGA[.] Subsection (3) [RCW 36.70A.110(3)] also does not prohibit development within UGAs of the limited areas that have no existing public facilities and service capacities. Instead, if a private developer is willing and able to provide adequate facilities and services in lieu of the government doing so, nothing in the Act prevents this from happening, subject to the local government's exercise of discretion."

Pursuant to ARR, Kitsap County employed the Hearings Board's priority system in designating its UGAs. Following this system, Kitsap County chose to include many existing "Tier 2 'suburban' developments" before expanding UGAs to large vacant tracts of land. It is worth noting that these lands were not included to accommodate projected growth, but rather, because they meet the GMA definition of "urban growth." Such lands should not be considered "rural" and should be considered urban, and included in the UGA. From a planning perspective, to exclude these lands from the UGA would result in extremely irregular boundaries and would create islands of "suburban" development scattered throughout the UGAs. From both a planning and a service perspective, excluding such lands from the UGA would not have made common planning principles. Also, as stated earlier, these Tier 2 lands demand other urban services such as public utilities, public safety, and others.

Kitsap County has also developed its capital facilities plan to show the availability of public services, such as public sewer, through the 2005-2025 planning horizon. These lands will be able to connect to a public sewer system if the need exists, but that need may not occur within the 20-year planning horizon. These Tier 2 lands meet the GMA requirement and are lands having urban growth located on them; are currently adequately served with services; and that they "will be served" when needed by either public or private sources. Thus, utilizing this system, GMA indicates that on-site septic systems have a place in the designation of existing UGAs. In other words, the mere fact that these lands are served by on-site septic systems does not make them ineligible as urban designations; nor does GMA require such lands to convert to public sewer within the 20-year planning horizon.

Capital Facilities Planning

The GMA also includes provisions for jurisdictions to show how public facility needs are to be met over the twenty year-planning period. The requirements for this planning are outlined in RCW 36.70A.070(3), which requires Kitsap County to develop a capital facilities plan element consisting of:

- An inventory of existing capital facilities owned by public entities, showing the locations and capacities of the capital facilities;
- A forecast of the future needs for such capital facilities;
- The proposed locations and capacities of expanded or new capital facilities;
- At least a six-year plan that will finance such capital facilities within projected funding capacities and clearly identifies sources of *public money* for such purposes; and
- A requirement to reassess the land use element if probable funding falls short of meeting existing
 needs and to ensure that the land use element, capital facilities plan element, and financing plan
 within the capital facilities plan element are coordinated and consistent. Park and recreation
 facilities shall be included in the capital facilities plan element.

GMA states that the CFP 6-year finance plan requires jurisdictions to show only public funding, not private funding for development. One of the founding principles of the GMA is to have growth pay for growth. In new development of vacant or infill/redevelopment lands, the developer, private property owner or local improvement district are the sources of funding for most wastewater conveyance infrastructure. For Tier 2 lands, GMA clearly describes the provision of their future urban services as "provided by either public or

private sources." While projected to be available within the six-year horizon, these private sources cannot be clearly predicted to the detail required for public funds in a six-year finance strategy. Nevertheless, through conditions on development, impact fees, and other sources, Goal 12 can be met to require the provision of adequate public facilities and services at the time the development is available for occupancy and use.

WAC 365-196-840 defines the term concurrency as an assurance that public facilities and services necessary to support development are adequate to serve that development at the time it is available for occupancy and use, without decreasing service levels below locally established minimum standards. Concurrency describes the situation in which adequate facilities are available when the impacts of development occur, or within a specified time thereafter. Concurrency ensures consistency in land use approval and the development of adequate public facilities as plans are implemented. Concurrency is required for locally owned transportation facilities and for transportation facilities of statewide

significance. Counties and cities may adopt a concurrency mechanism for other facilities that are deemed necessary for development. In Kitsap County, the concurrency mechanism adopted is only for transportation. Concurrency means that necessary improvements or strategies are in place at the time of development, or that financial commitments are in place to complete the improvements or strategies within six years.

GMA and the Hearings Boards use a similar concept of "adequacy" when applied to urban wastewater infrastructure. Jurisdictions must provide adequate and available urban services as growth requires. This leads to the expectation that local planning and strategies for provision of sanitary sewer provision are in place to ensure that this concept is addressed during the planning horizon.

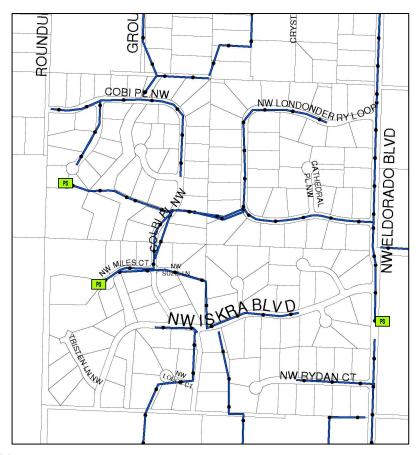


Figure 2.Wastewater Planning in Pre-GMA Subdivision, Southwest
Silverdale UGA

With the adoption of the 1998

Comprehensive plan, recent sewer plans and development regulations (based upon RCW 36.70A.020(12) and .110), new urban development in Kitsap County UGAs has typically connected urban sanitary sewer services.

Through its planning process, Kitsap County has demonstrated planning to provide traditional sewer infrastructure to the entire UGA if projected new and existing growth requires it (illustrated in Figure 2). While the County has demonstrated how traditional sewer conveyance systems could be extended, it is important to note that the ability to achieve urban densities and intensities does not exclude the use of alternative wastewater technologies, such as functioning existing on-site septic systems, community drainfields and other wastewater systems (discussed below). Although alternative wastewater techniques can support urban densities, there are some instances where traditional public sewer is necessary to address public health and environmental concerns. Accordingly, Kitsap County has worked closely with the Kitsap Public Health District (KPHD) to identify urban areas served by septic systems that may be areas of concern, and to prioritize the provision of public sewer to those areas. However, as discussed below, there is currently no health hazard areas within Kitsap's UGA and minimal expectation from KPHD that any transition of sewer service will be necessary for these on-site systems in 2025 planning horizon.

Essentially, GMA indicates is that the use of sanitary sewer systems in urban areas will be dependent on the environmental characteristics of the site and ability to achieve the urban densities and intensities. Having "traditional" wastewater service in place at the time of development is not a strict requirement, rather, the need to achieve urban densities, lot requirements and other environmental restrictions will be the determining factor. While Kitsap County has completed the requisite twenty-year and six-year planning for its sewer service in the UGAs, it does not mean that each and every existing development shall connect to traditional public sewer service within that 20-year horizon. Rather, when such connections become necessary to support the pre-GMA development, there will need to be site-specific determinations and considerations at that time. The use of alternative forms of sewer service is based on site-specific land and development proposal characteristics such as topography, soil types and proposed densities. Such site-specific considerations are not practically or economically feasible to evaluate a comprehensive planning level.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT TECHNOLOGIES - EXISTING AND FUTURE

As is documented in the Capital Facilities Plan for wastewater infrastructure and illustrated in Figure 2, Kitsap County has shown planning for traditional sewer facilities including mains and pump stations to the entirety of its UGAs and documented the costs. In summary, this form of service has an estimated cost of over \$400M for traditional sewer infrastructure. However, these costs are substantially affected by the issues of topography, critical areas and the true need for service within the 20-year horizon as well as the use of other existing and emerging wastewater technologies. Many of these technologies do not require the substantial conveyance infrastructure and can treat the effluent in a facility closer to the proposed development and at a drastically reduced cost. These systems are site-specific and, unlike traditional sewer facilities, cannot be engineered everywhere. Nevertheless, they may have substantial utility to new development and existing developments in the future.

Geography, Topography and Environmental Constraints

Kitsap County is very different from the other three urban counties in the Central Puget Sound region: King, Snohomish and Pierce. Kitsap is second only to King in density, but its existing land use pattern and ability to serve that pattern with urban services has been uniquely shaped by the constraints of its unique geography. Unlike the landscape in the three urban counties east of Puget Sound, Kitsap's landscape has a minimal resource land component¹⁴. Kitsap is not graced by mountain ranges flanked by extensive designated forest resource lands, nor does it have river valleys with the rich bottom lands that would

support an agricultural resource industry. The network of agricultural river valleys and forested mountain ranges in the three eastern Central Puget Sound counties create natural separators between urban and urban, between urban and rural, and between rural and rural. There are no designated Resource Lands in Kitsap to perform this region-forming function and is one factor that contributes to the historical lack of differentiation between urban and rural in Kitsap.

Overall, Kitsap County includes challenging topography and critical areas throughout the county, whether urban and rural. While Kitsap County has taken efforts to exclude these lands in the UGAs for intense development, it is nearly impossible to designate a UGA without including significant critical area systems and hilly topography. (Illustrated in Figure 3).

The efficiency and cost of traditional sanitary sewer systems are influenced

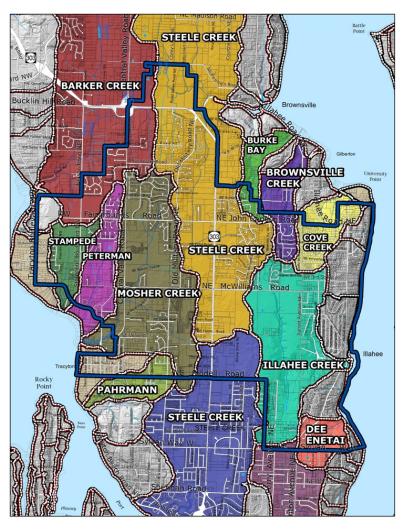


Figure 3.Watersheds Basins, Central Kitsap UGA

by economies of scale and the engineering necessary to overcome and/or work with gravity. Kitsap's rolling topography has created a relatively large number of relatively small catchment areas, making the collection and transmission of wastewater a bigger engineering and budgeting task than in counties with

¹⁴ Kitsap County has only limited commercial forest (1.6% of Kitsap), mineral resource lands (1.4% of Kitsap) and no agricultural resource lands. While an active gravel pit, for example, is a tangible physical reality quite different from rural or urban uses, the geographic extent of such lands are far less extensive than either rural or urban lands and scattered throughout the County. Accordingly, mineral resource lands do not play the same landscape-shaping role that agricultural or forestry resource lands do.

more pronounced topographies and larger catchment areas.¹⁵ Particularly, east-west, Kitsap's terrain requires multiple pump stations to move effluent from development to plant. Some areas require multiple pump stations (an average estimated cost between \$600K and \$1M each). This is a local circumstance that is somewhat unique to Kitsap County, in sharp contrast to the three east Central Puget Sound counties.

These local circumstances will require sewer provision techniques beyond traditional public sewer. Table 2 outlines the variety of wastewater methods and their ability to serve urban developments. All systems have the ability to service some form of urban development. The appropriate use of any specific technology would be determined at the time of project submittal because the use of such systems is very context-sensitive and site-specific. The use of various technologies may be based upon soil types, lot sizes and other factors. In any event, Kitsap County has planned where the necessary location of traditional public sewer systems should be located in the event other wastewater methods are not achievable.

	Table 2. Available Wastewater Technologies								
System	Definition	General Description	Typical Use	Constraints	Urban Suitability				
Community	A system of	Generally	In Kitsap County,	Various components	May allow for smaller				
Drainfields	piping,	similar to an	such systems have	may have	individual lot sizes and				
	treatment	on-site septic,	been used as an	mandatory set back	higher urban densities				
	devices and/or	but larger with	interim system until	requirements similar	than individual systems.				
	other facilities	more	connected to public	to on-site systems,	Can be designed to				
	which provide	components to	sewer system	need larger	facilitate future				
	subsurface	serve multiple	(McCormick	drainfield area to	connection to other				
	treatment and	residences.	Woods)	serve multiple	forms of public sewer.				
	disposal on-site			residences.	Should be limited to				
	or on nearby			Generally will	areas where aquifer				
	property and			require higher	recharge and stream				
	serve more			standard of	flows are of issue or as				
	than one single			operation and	interim measures that				
	family dwelling			maintenance than	promote the future				
	or multifamily			individual systems.	extension of advanced				
	dwellings.				forms of wastewater				
					service (see below).				
					Kitsap County code				
					restricts the use of these				
					systems in rural areas.				

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¹⁵ One measure of the number of distinct gravity catchment areas in Kitsap is the sheer number of distinct watersheds. Figure 3.1-2 in the DSEIS shows over seventy such areas. The watercourses in Kitsap are much smaller in scope, length and volume than those in the eastern Central Puget Sound counties. Kitsap has no large rivers and thus no agricultural floodplains comparable to the Stillaguamish, Snohomish, Snoqualmie, Sammamish, Cedar, or Green

		Table 2. Av	ailable Wastewater To	echnologies	
System	Definition	General Description	Typical Use	Constraints	Urban Suitability
Large On- Site Sewer (LOSS)	An integrated system of components, located on or nearby the property it serves, that conveys, stores, treats, and provides subsurface soil treatment and disposal of domestic sewage, with peak design flows of between 3,500 (gpd) and 100,000 gpd.	A LOSS consists of a collection system, a treatment component such as a septic tank, or treatment sequence, and a drainfield. It may include a mechanical treatment system depending on size and site constraints. LOSS are permitted and regulated by the State Department of Health.	LOSS systems convey, store, treat, and provide subsurface soil treatment and disposal of domestic sewage from 10 to 370 homes, or the equivalent mix that includes commercial development with residential strength sewage.	Requires a drainfield with the appropriate soil and groundwater characteristics. Other treatment methods may be required in combination with the drainfield. Industrial wastewater and stormwater are not allowed to be treated with a LOSS.	LOSS systems can support urban densities may be suitable in urban settings if sufficient land is available to meet design and regulatory criteria, and site constraints. State regulations require some form of public operation and maintenance unless that the system serves development under single ownership. Municipal codes may also dictate if a LOSS is allowable. Kitsap County code currently restricts the use of such systems in rural areas.
Conventional Wastewater Treatment Plants	Treatment typically consists of primary processes (pumping, screening, and grit removal), to remove heavy solids and floatable materials; and secondary treatment such as biological aeration to metabolize and flocculate colloidal and dissolved organics. Waste sludge drawn from these unit operations is thickened and processed for ultimate disposal. These facilities treat wastewater flows greater than 100,000 gpd are regulated by the Department of Ecology.		Treatment plants urban areas, or rural areas designated Limited Areas of More Intensive Rural Development (LAMIRD).	High cost of plant development and requirements for lengthy conveyance infrastructure to bring effluent from development to plant (often exacerbated by rolling topography).	Suitable for municipalities, other urban areas, larger rural communities, and industrial facilities. At a cost, can be provided everywhere with the UGAs with proper design (shown for County UGAs in Section 5.5 of the CFP). Kitsap County prohibits the extension of such systems outside of UGAs.

		Table 2. Av	ailable Wastewater Technologies				
System	Definition	General Description	Typical Use	Constraints	Urban Suitability		
Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plants	These facilities ar conventional trea but are designed higher level of tre remove specific v components prio Advanced treatm also used in situa quality effluent is as water reclama Such plants including bio-filtration reactions.	atment plants, to provide a eatment to vastewater r to discharge. ent facilities are tions where high required, such tion projects. de membrane	Used in urban areas or to address documented environmental hazards. Can provide service to high densities and commercial and industrial land use intensities.	Plants are expensive and treated water must be discharged either to surface waters or direct injection to aquifers.	Suitable for municipalities, other urban growth areas, large decentralized communities, and industrial facilities.		
Existing On-Site Septic	Individual or clusthat discharge efficiency of the growtreatment and dipeak design flows 3,500 gallons/day	fluent below the bund for final spersal, with so of less than	Wastewater flows into a buried septic tank; sludge settles in the tank, and the wastewater effluent is discharged into the ground via a gravity or pressurized distribution system. These facilities are typically regulated by the local health jurisdiction.	Septic systems are typically used in all types of areas (urban, suburban and rural) where lot conditions meet applicable regulations, and the distance to a municipal system made it cost prohibitive to connect to a centralized collection/treatment facility.	Lot size and site conditions dictate use. Slopes, soil types and depth, minimum depth-to-groundwater, and mandatory setback distance from property lines, wells, structures, and water bodies must be maintained. Properly functioning systems may be suitable for existing development and areas zoned Urban Restricted in close proximity to critical areas.		

Source: Parametrix 2012; Kitsap County 2012

While conceptual planning can be conducted about the merits of these various technologies, the determination of what is an appropriate system to achieve the urban densities is a site-specific determination that requires expense in engineering and scientific analysis at a micro-level. In contrast, comprehensive planning, by nature, is a macro-level planning document that guides development regulations, capital facility plans and other governmental policies.

Over the course of 2008-2009, Kitsap County, along with service providers, developers, environmental groups and other interested parties participated in the Wastewater Infrastructure Taskforce. This Taskforce was charged with developing recommendations on how to resolve these issues. A final report was issued and made recommendations on digital inventory of wastewater systems, finance opportunities, location of potential septic failure areas and public funding sequencing and prioritization. It classified many issues into suites including environmental, market- based and infill focused. With the issues of topography, engineering, competing priorities for investment and public versus private sources

funding various improvements, this taskforce was unable to come to one conclusion regarding wastewater provision. It was concluded that at a macro, comprehensive plan level a host of wastewater service systems and funding sources is necessary.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY IN URBAN AREAS

Environmental Sensitivity

As discussed above, Kitsap County's UGAs have rolling topography and critical areas, resulting in environmental constraints. Bordering these areas, these same UGAs have land appropriate for urban development. To reduce illogical boundaries and yet protect the environmentallyconstrained areas, Kitsap County has employed environmentally-sensitive residential zones, such as Urban Restricted (1-5 DU/acre) and Illahee Greenbelt Overlay (1-4 DU/acre). These zones, in combination with the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO), help protect endangered salmon streams and associated wetlands from impacts of urban development. These areas are not necessarily required to connect to public sewer but may connect as development dictates. As these lands cannot be logically removed from the UGAs and the areas meet the requirements of the Litowitz test¹⁶ the designations are compliant with GMA. The Central Kitsap UGA provides an example of this issue (Figure 4), showing steep slopes in pink and wetlands in green.

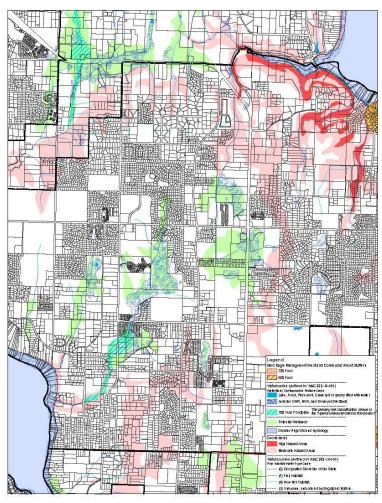


Figure 4.Critical Areas, Central Kitsap UGA

Additionally, these areas are closely associated with Kitsap's surface and ground water sources. Virtually all of Kitsap County, other than Bremerton, relies on groundwater as a drinking source. The County regulates, through the CAO,

The Growth Hearings Board has allowed lower density development in certain urban areas under *Litowitz v. City of Federal Way*, CPSGMHB 96-3-0005, FDO (7/22/ 1996). Such lower densities are allowed if they are is used to protect critical area functions when the critical area in question is: 1) Large in scope; 2) structure & functions are complex, and 3) the rank order value is high.

categories of aquifers and whether they pose a potential risk of groundwater contamination with development. As shown in Attachment A, Aquifer Recharge Areas are located throughout the County's urban and rural areas where development has occurred since the 1800s. Many of these existing, pre-GMA developments use on-site septic systems as their primary wastewater service. The Kitsap County Groundwater Management Plan (May 20, 1997) noted the importance of septic systems for aquifer recharge and recommended that the comprehensive plan should encourage the use of septic systems over the development of sewer systems whenever possible. Thus, the use of on-site septic systems, community drainfields and alternative wastewater methods requires a site-specific analysis, and should not be summarily excluded from use in a UGA without measuring the potential benefits of such use.¹⁷

Public Health and Safety

One of the risks of on-site septic systems is the potential for failure and environmental contamination. The Kitsap Public Health District has provided a letter regarding their efforts in UGAs and their evaluations of existing or future health hazards (Attachment B), summarized below.

Over the past 23 years, the Kitsap Public Health District has conducted many countywide investigations regarding both point and non-point source pollution issues. Through this work, the Health District has identified and enforced the correction of thousands of septic system failures and other forms of surface water contamination. Through the Health District's Pollution Identification and Control (PIC) Program, the Health District has studied and addressed numerous non-point source fecal coliform issues stemming from stormwater drainage, wildlife, waterfowl, domestic animals, agriculture and various septic system and sewer failures. Because PIC uses a science-based approach to identify and correct pollution sources, the Health District's work focused on both rural areas (Burley Creek and Gamble Bay) and urban areas (Dyes Inlet, Sinclair Inlet, Liberty Bay) with a particular emphasis along Kitsap County's marine shoreline areas. Additionally, the Health District has taken an active role in addressing a historic environmental hazard within the Gorst UGA. Caused by failing septic systems, Gorst Creek and portions of Sinclair Inlet were significantly impacted by fecal coliform contamination. Through the assistance of the City of Bremerton and state and federal agencies, this contamination was rectified in 2011 with the installation of a sewer main to connect this area to Bremerton's Wastewater Treatment Plant. The sewering of this area is expected to end the contamination problems from failing septic systems and aid the creek and shoreline to return to its properly functioning levels.

With the Gorst contamination addressed, the Health District is aware of only one remaining area where failing septic systems could potentially create source surface water contamination within an urban growth area. This area is commonly referred to the Broad and Ida Street/Sunnyhill Road area to the west of Bremerton. This area was investigated in 2009, has been prioritized for further investigation beginning in

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¹⁷ In the *Suquamish II* FDO, *supra*, the CPSGMHB noted (at p. 26): "This is not to say that the Board is requiring each existing residence to be connected, but that the service provider should have the capacity (i.e., treatment facilities, trunk lines) to make adequate service available to the area." In its subsequent Order finding Compliance, the CPSGMHB stated (at pp. 8-9) that it "recognizes that, in some instances, properly functioning septic systems may be continued so as to allow limited groundwater supplies to be recharged."

late 2012. The Health District will keep the County informed of its findings during this upcoming investigation.

In 2009, the Health District also participated with the County on the Wastewater Infrastructure Taskforce. Through this effort, the Health District identified "areas of concern" with respect to long-term (>20 years) reliance on septic systems as the primary means for wastewater treatment. Many of these areas of concern are within or nearby to UGA. While the Health District has long-term concerns about some areas served by septic systems where conditions are not necessarily ideal for such systems (e.g., such as small lot sizes and/or poor soils), an "area of concern" is not the same as a documented health hazard. The Health District must thoroughly investigate the conditions of the area prior to designating it as a health hazard. Currently there is no evidence of UGA-wide septic failures, and the Health District has no existing documentation to predict that widespread failures will occur in any of these areas through the 2025 time horizon.

The Health District will continue to assess areas of concern throughout Kitsap County, including portions of the UGAs, through the PIC program in the near future. In addition to the Broad and Ida Streets/Sunnyhill Road area, other areas within or near UGA that will be investigated include Ridgetop Creek, Enetai Creek and South Dye's Inlet. Through these assessments, the Health District expects that further information will be gathered about potential contamination sources and their impact. However, the Health District has stated it currently has no information that such an assessment will result in documented health hazards caused by failing septic systems or other sewer issues through the 2025 time period.

WASTEWATER PROVISION STRATEGIES

Public and Private Funding

Some Hearings Board decisions raise questions as to a jurisdiction's role in the funding of wastewater facilities for all conveyance infrastructure including "last-mile" pump stations and main lines to both new and existing development. Historically, public sources of funds have focused on capacity improvements to sewer plants and regional pump stations that serve the system as a whole. This focus has been directed largely by the source of funds used to pay for them, including sewer rates, connection fees and state and federal funding. Kitsap County has expended \$63.6M of these funds towards wastewater improvements since 1998 in its urban service areas. Extensions of minor "last mile" sewer lines and pump stations have historically been the responsibility of development (growth paying for growth) or private property owners converting their existing on-septic systems to sewers. As described above, the need or timing of such extensions is site- and market-specific, which make secured financial predictions difficult. Kitsap County will continue to require developer-funded financing for new development and property owner funding for

¹⁸ See KCRP IV, supra, FDO at p. 26 ("The County is required to demonstrate that public services, including sewer, will be available for the allocated population within the twenty-year planning period."); Irondale Community Action Neighbors v. Jefferson Cy, WWGMHB No. 03-2-0010, FDO (5/31/05) ("A defined funding mechanism needs to be included in the capital facilities plan before urban development is allowed.").

conversions (e.g., private payment, grant funding for connections, or utility local improvement districts). These improvements will be based upon the cost-effective sizing of UGAs with the ability to serve with urban-level sanitary sewer service as high priority.

Strategies – Cost Reductions or Funding Sources

Kitsap has completed a comprehensive analysis of existing and future funding sources and other strategies to fund planning, engineering and construction of urban sewer infrastructure. These strategies are shown in Attachment C and include public and private funding, public/private partnerships, regulatory measures and other mechanisms. These methods may be used to fund a range of wastewater methods beyond just traditional public sewer facilities. Kitsap County and its service providers has and/or currently employs many of the Washington State authorized mechanisms as sources of funds. Additionally, in 2009, both the Washington State Office of Financial Management and the Puget Sound Regional Council completed two separate studies on financing public infrastructure (Restructuring State Public Infrastructure Programs and Funding for Local Government Infrastructure), which evaluated existing revenue sources for a variety of public services. Of particular note, the studies concluded that state and federal governments' historical role in funding infrastructure is on a decrease, and those remaining funding programs are too complex and costly for local governments to participate in. In short, the burden of providing infrastructure in UGAs has and will continue to be shouldered by local governments, developers and private property owners. This provides a significant challenge for local governments, including Kitsap County, where an exploration of many or these strategies may be necessary to address our wastewater infrastructure needs into the future.

Kitsap has paired these various funding strategies with specific areas of its unincorporated UGAs (Attachment D and E). Kitsap has analyzed the characteristics of each development sector including its topography, critical areas, zoning and existing development patterns. This analysis also included an assessment of all existing sewer facilities and future needs based upon traditional sewer service. It also addressed soil types as they apply to the potential for alternative systems.

THE END OF THE 20-YEAR PLANNING HORIZON

"Adequate and Available"

As Kitsap County approaches the 20-year "anniversary" of its 1998 Comprehensive Plan and its UGAs, issues have been raised concerning the ability to fully-serve the UGAs with adequate and available urban wastewater service. As documented above, such an assessment must consider multiple factors beyond just whether public sewer infrastructure is available to the entire geography of the UGAs.

First, of course, is the proximity to existing public sewer lines. Since the adoption of Kitsap's first Comprehensive Plan in 1998, development has brought sewer infrastructure to substantial portions of the UGAs to a level where much of the existing UGA is within close proximity to existing lines. This has been due to extensive public and private investment in the sewer systems as well as regulatory requirements for connection. The requirements have included the condition for all new subdivision and other development increasing density within unincorporated UGAs to connect to urban levels of public sewer.

Additionally, Kitsap County Code requires all new development, substantial remodels and properties with failing septic systems within 200 feet of a sewer main to connect to public sewer. The expansion of the system has provided additional connection capability and sewer capacity within a vast majority of the UGA boundaries (Attachment D).

Second, all development types included within the UGAs as prescribed by the GMA priority system must be considered. The Tier 2 developments on existing, functioning on-site septic systems were included in UGAs as their development pattern would dictate. However, they have had no need for expensive public sewer infrastructure and there is no documentation that they will need to connect during the 2005-2025 horizon. Tier 2 lands with properly maintained septic systems have life-spans that extend beyond the life of the Comprehensive Plan which designated them urban. Additionally, Kitsap has no documentation of health hazards nor an expectation that the transition of existing on-site septic systems will be necessary in the near or long-term. Nevertheless, Kitsap has provided full planning for public sewer and strategies for construction if such a service is required in the future.

Third, the critical area constraints of the unserved lands must be considered. Many of the unsewered areas are unavailable for future development due to the sensitivity of wetlands, streams and steep slopes (or a combination of all) located in and around them. These include endangered salmon streams and headwaters to high category wetlands with substantial wildlife habitat. These areas have not been previously developed and are unlikely to develop in the future. Additionally, Kitsap has designated many of these areas Urban Restricted to reflect these characteristics; allowing lower density development to reduce stormwater runoff and tree canopy disturbance.

Finally, strategies must be in place to ensure adequacy of urban wastewater service during the planning period. These strategies may include the furthering of multiple sewer techniques and funding mechanisms. Kitsap has analyzed the sewer needs of its UGAs and has assessed the characteristics, topographic challenges, and future sewer facility opportunities for various sectors of the UGA boundaries (Attachments D and E). These sectors have been paired with potential funding mechanisms when, and if, they require construction of urban levels of sewer service during the 2025 planning horizon. Further discussion of these strategies can be found below.

Based upon these factors, Kitsap has planned, developed strategies and/or provided its UGAs with adequate and available wastewater service as required by GMA.

CONCLUSIONS

GMA requires the provision of adequate and available urban services, such as wastewater, to urban growth areas (UGAs), but the Act does not define what precisely might constitute an urban wastewater service. It is not clear that all development within a UGA is expected to connect to traditional public sewer within the 20-year horizon, or whether it is the government's responsibility to provide public funding to install such infrastructure within this time frame. Thus, these issues should be addressed through local discretion and local circumstances.

As outlined in the GMA, UGAs must be sized for future urban growth but should also include areas of historic pre-GMA development that were developed at less than full urban standards (i.e., Tier 2 lands). This historic development pattern usually has no redevelopment potential, nor does it need immediate connection to public sewer systems if served by properly functioning on-site septic systems. These developments likely will not need to connect to public sewer within the 20-year planning horizon, yet they often require other urban services and meet the GMA definition of "urban growth."

While jurisdictions must plan for connection to public sewer service as a contingency and provide clear strategies to that end, the expectation that public entities will solely fund such improvements to either fuel future growth or pay for unnecessary conversions of historic development with property functioning septic systems does not comport with the GMA principle to require "growth pay for growth." Such a requirement would force jurisdictions to install unnecessary infrastructure using capital funds that have been extremely limited in the past years. Alternatively, it would force jurisdictions to reconfigure UGAs into illogical boundaries leaving islands of existing denser development outside the UGAs simply because they are served by on-site septic systems, but meet all other definition of "urban growth."

Additionally, the concept that an expensive public sewer system is the only method of urban wastewater provision is contradicted by recent technology and limits the use of additional technological advancements. Multiple options to public sewer systems exist that are available for construction throughout Kitsap's UGAs that would maintain urban densities and intensities. While these systems are site-specific in their application, they can be more cost-effective to new development and retrofit of existing neighborhoods.

Finally, the concept that a Comprehensive Plan must guarantee funding for conveyance infrastructure that has historically been funded by private development, local improvement districts or private property owners is a drastic shift that has significant fiscal implications statewide. These costs historically have not been the responsibility of local jurisdictions and GMA does not direct such a responsibility shift. Kitsap County should be able to continue to rely on such private funding to ensure that growth pays for growth.

In sum, Kitsap County has adequately planned for providing wastewater throughout it UGAs per the GMA requirements. Kitsap County will continue to explore the use of on-site and that of site-specific alternative wastewater technologies, in addition to traditional methods of providing sewer service, with consideration of the development continuum and required GMA assessments of county comprehensive plans.

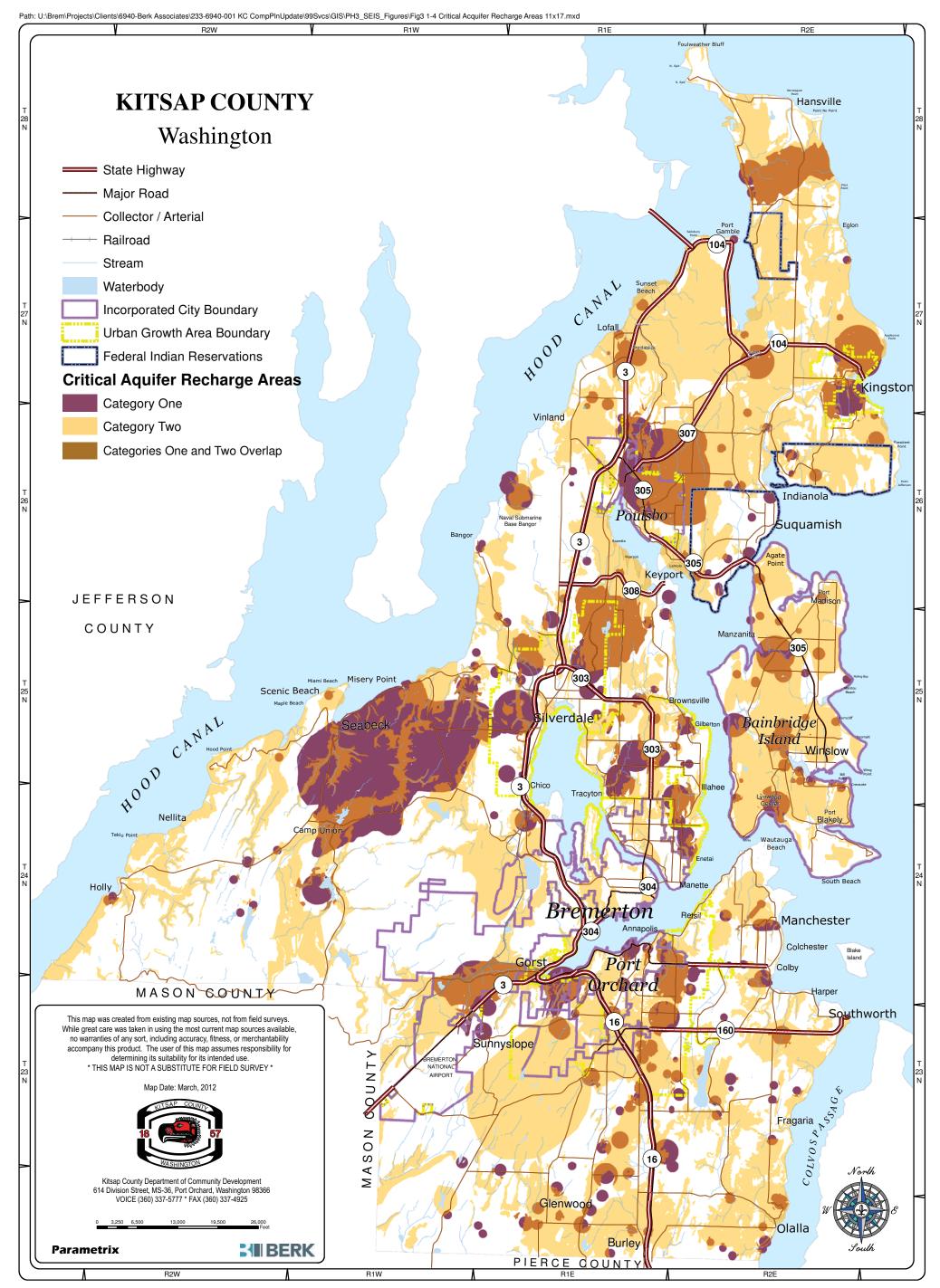


Figure 3.1-4. Critical Acquifer Recharge Areas

Attachment B



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April 18, 2012

Kitsap County Board of County Commissioners 614 Division Street, MS-4 Port Orchard, WA 98366

RE: Kitsap Urban Growth Areas and Wastewater Infrastructure

Dear Board of Commissioners:

Thank you for your coordination with the Kitsap Public Health District in the 2012 update of the Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan. For over six decades the Health District has been involved with the protection of public health in Kitsap's urban and rural areas, and welcomes the opportunity to participate in discussions of issues that include existing and future wastewater service / wastewater infrastructure.

Over the last 23 years, the Health District has conducted many investigations of both point and non-point source pollution issues countywide. Through this work, the Health District has identified and enforced the correction of thousands of septic system failures and other sources of surface water contamination. Through the Health District's Pollution Identification and Control (PIC) Program, we have studied and addressed numerous non-point source fecal coliform issues stemming from storm water drainage, wildlife, waterfowl, domestic animals, agriculture and various septic system and public sewer failures. Because PIC uses a science-based approach to identify and correct pollution sources, our work has focused on both rural watershed areas (e.g., Burley Creek and Gamble Bay) and urban watershed areas (e.g., Dyes Inlet, Sinclair Inlet, Liberty Bay) with a particular emphasis along our marine shoreline areas.

Additionally, as you are aware the Health District took an active role in addressing a historic public health and environmental hazard within the Gorst urban growth area. Caused primarily by failing septic systems, Gorst Creek and portions of Sinclair Inlet were significantly impacted by fecal coliform bacteria contamination, and had been for over 40 years. Through the assistance of the City of Bremerton and other state and federal agencies, this contamination was rectified in 2011 with the installation of a sewer main to connect this area to Bremerton's Wastewater Treatment Plant. The sewering of this area is expected to end the contamination problems from failing septic systems and aid the creek and shoreline to return to its properly functioning levels. Recent water quality data indicates that improving trends are already evident in Gorst Creek, and both Gorst Creek and Sinclair Inlet current meet state water quality standards.

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With the Gorst contamination addressed, the Health District is aware of only one other potentially significant problem area --- in an urban growth area --- where failing septic systems are the primary source surface water contamination and where the repair of these failing septic systems are problematic due to poor site conditions (i.e., poor soils, small lots). This area is commonly referred to as the Broad and Ida Street / Sunnyhill Road area to the west of Bremerton. This area was recently investigated in 2009, and has been prioritized for further investigation beginning in late 2012. The Health District is very concerned about this area and will keep the County informed of our findings during this upcoming investigation.

In 2009, the Health District also participated with your staff on the Wastewater Infrastructure Taskforce. Through this effort, the Health District identified "areas of concern" with respect to long-term (>20 years) reliance on septic systems as the primary means for wastewater treatment. Many of these areas of concern are within or nearby to UGA. While the Health District has long-term concerns with these areas served by septic systems, where conditions are not necessarily ideal for such systems (e.g., age of development, small lot sizes, and/or poor soils), an "area of concern" is not the same as a documented health hazard. An area of concern means that the Health District will keep these areas prioritized for future work efforts. The Health District must thoroughly investigate the conditions of these areas prior to designating it as a health hazard. Currently there is no evidence of widespread septic failures UGA-wide, and the Health District has no existing documentation to predict that widespread failures will occur in any of these areas through the 2025 time horizon.

The Health District will continue to assess areas of concern throughout Kitsap County, including portions of the urban growth areas, through the PIC program in the near future. In addition to the Broad and Ida Streets/Sunnyhill Road area, other areas within or near UGA that will be investigated include Ridgetop Creek, Enetai Creek and South Dyes Inlet. Through these assessments, we expect that further information will be gathered about potential contamination sources and their impact. Again, however the Health District currently has no information that such an assessment will result in the declaration of a health hazard caused by failing septic systems or other sewer issues through the 2025 time period.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the Comprehensive Plan update. If you need additional information, please don't hesitate to engage us.

Keith Grellner

Sincerely,

Director of Environmental Health

Kitsap Public Health District

ATTACHMENT C

WASTEWATER PROVISION STRATEGIES

FUNDING AND REGULATORY

Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
		PUBLIC SOU	IRCES (FUNDING O	R REGULATION)	
General Fund	Move funding from other Kitsap County departments to fund wastewater projects.	No	Yes	Provides funding mechanism to dedicate to infrastructure development. Currently, supports other regional services in the County which have no other sources of revenue. Generation of revenues are dependent on the health of the economy (sales tax, property tax, etc).	All UGAs within Kitsap County's Sewer Service Area (Kingston, Silverdale, Central Kitsap, Poulsbo)

Wastewater Improvement Fund	Move funding within the Wastewater CIP to fund specific projects.	No	Yes	Provides funding mechanism to maintain and construct infrastructure. Limited funding, roughly, \$5M annually is dedicated to maintaining the existing system and improvements to the treatment plants.	Areas of the UGA in close proximity to existing sewer mains or capacity improvements in existing pump stations and mains.
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Wastewater	Move funding within the			Provides funding mechanism to	Areas of the UGA in close
Construction	Wastewater CIP to fund			maintain and construct	proximity to existing sewer
Fund	specific projects.			infrastructure.	mains or capacity improvements
					in existing pump stations and

Real Estate Excise Tax (REET)	Dedicate some portion of future funding from this revenue stream to wastewater projects.	No	Yes	Provides funding mechanism to maintain and construct infrastructure. Limited funding, currently supports many other capital programs (parks, public buildings, etc). Revenue generation is dependent on economic conditions (currently drastically reduced).	Infill Development Areas of the UGA in close proximity to existing sewer mains or capacity improvements in existing pump stations and mains.
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Sewer Rate/Connection Fee Adjustments	Adjust sewer rates to accommodate up front expenses of installing wastewater infrastructure. Payback through late-comers agreements and additional connection fees.	No	Yes	Rate increases are already needed for sewer plan improvements. Economy in flux making the investments questionable. Must show a clear nexus between the rates and the needed improvements.	Existing development without infrastructure Infill/Redevelopment Environmental hazard areas

Federal Grants	Grant funding from the federal government. Programs include, but not limited to: USDA Water & Waste Disposal Grant HUD Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) Centennial Clean Water Fund	No	Yes	Provides funding mechanism to maintain and construct infrastructure. Highly competitive, costly reporting requirements. Projects awarded typically have to be an environmental hazard. Historical funding amounts have been reduced	Existing development without infrastructure Infill/Redevelopment Vacant lands Environmental hazard areas
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
State Grants and Loans	Grant funding from Washington State. Programs include: Public Works Trust Fund Clean Water Revolving Fund Community Development Block Grant Community Economic Revitalization Board Salmon Recovery Funding Board	No	Yes	Provides funding mechanism to maintain and construct infrastructure. Highly competitive, costly reporting requirements. Projects awarded typically involve a severe public or environmental hazard. Historical funding amounts have been reduced.	Existing development without infrastructure Infill/Redevelopment Vacant lands Environmental hazard areas

Explore Specific Use of Alternative Septic Systems	Begin analyzing specific geographical areas for the potential of more costeffective sewer technologies throughout the UGA boundaries.	No	Yes	May provide additional wastewater planning options beyond costly public sewer. Costly analysis includes soil surveys and property owner participation (unlikely as failures are not imminent).	Existing development without infrastructure Environmental hazard areas
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Allow Use of Grinder Pumps	Allow the use of grinder pumps in areas where pump stations are cost prohibitive for new or existing development.	No	Yes	Removes need for multiple pump/lift stations in portions of the UGA boundaries. Their removal reduces the related costs of sewering an area (\$500K - \$1M each). Complicated ownership/operation structure can lead to higher maintenance costs and other issues.	Existing development without infrastructure Infill/Redevelopment Vacant lands Environmental hazard areas
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability

Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Code Requirements – Sewer Connection	Require all subdivision or projects increasing density to connect to urban levels of sewer. Require new development within 200 feet of sewer mains to connect to public sewer. Require failing septic systems within 200 feet of an existing sewer main to connect to public sewer bublic sewer.	No	Yes	Included in the 2006 and 2012 Comprehensive Plan update as requirements for development. Must be clearly defined for the public in regards to distance calculations and construction standards.	All unincorporated UGAs
Land Use Measures – Reduce UGA Size	UGAs could be contracted to reduced to remove the need for capacity and conveyance improvements.	No	Yes	Eliminates need for sewer infrastructure to certain areas over the 20-year planning horizon. Does not address funding issues to expand treatment capacity nor service provision to existing development on septic systems. Re –designation of existing suburban development as rural areas could negatively affect the County's rural character.	Areas on the fringe of the UGAs with existing suburban development with high infrastructure costs or vacant/underutilized lands with no existing urban infrastructure.

Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Transfer of Development Rights	Allow property owners to sell development rights from their properties with the proceeds intended to fund infrastructure within an Urban Growth Areas. In Kitsap County, the TDR program is a market-based land use incentive program for higher densities or intensity of uses. Currently, Kitsap County's program allows the sale of county property for TDR credits, but does not direct the use of this revenue.	No	Yes RCW 36.70A.	Provides funding from public lands to dedicate to infrastructure development. Transfer of development rights programs have a varying success rate due to market conditions and cost of operation. Limited existing market for TDRs in Kitsap County.	Infill/Redevelopment Areas of Environmental Concern

Revolving Loan	A non-profit organization			Low interest loans.	Infill Redevelopment
Fund	could provide low interest loans to development proposed within UGAs. As the loans are repaid additional loans can be issued. Project feasibility is based upon acquiring stake or seed money to begin program (grants or other funding).	No	Yes	Provides financial bridge for projects that are close to being viable. Difficulty finding sources for initial start-up. Risk associated with loans for projects in a depressed housing market.	Expanded UGAs
City Annexations/ Incorporation	Much of the areas within UGA boundaries are expected to be annexed or incorporated during the 20- year planning period. The responsibility for their funding moves to the respective city and their enhanced funding mechanisms (B&O tax, utility tax, etc.)	Yes However, most annexation mechanisms require property owner approval	Yes	Shifts local service provision to cities, as encouraged by GMA. Allows additional revenues to be generated to address service provision.	All associated UGAs (East Bremerton, West Bremerton, Gorst, SKIA, McCormick/ULID #^ and Port Orchard/South Kitsap
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability

Utility Tax	Similar to municipal utility taxes, the proposal would also authorize counties to impose a tax for many urban services (sewer, etc.) onto taxable properties in unincorporated UGAs. The revenue from this tax would be used to fund wastewater infrastructure.	No	No. Limited to cities only	Large source of revenue. Adjustable. Highly reliable, broad based, new revenue. Can be imposed through councilmatic action. Requires legislative change. County does not currently have authority.	Infill/Redevelopment Capacity improvement to existing infrastructure. Areas of Environmental Concern
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability

Planned Action Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)	A planned action EIS includes detailed environmental analysis and reflects a decision that adequate environmental review has been completed. To that end, further review under SEPA, for each specific development proposal or phase, would not be required if the proposal meets certain development thresholds specified in the EIS. Although future proposals that qualify as planned actions would not be subject to additional SEPA review, they would be subject to application notification and permit process requirements.	No	Yes. WAC 197-11	Removes some questions about cost of development and provides incentive for urban development. Facilitates timeline for infrastructure addition. Not directly revenue generating. Politically intensive. Costly for up-front planning. Jurisdictions have different determination thresholds.	Infill /Redevelopment Typically used for small areas with minimal environmental constraints, similar zoning and large redevelopment potential.
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability

Multi-Family Housing Tax Exemptions	These exemptions are used by cities planning under GMA that have designated urban centers to encourage multifamily construction with a portion dedicated specifically to low-income housing. Designation of urban centers is up to the local jurisdiction, but they must contain 1) several existing office and commercial uses, 2) adequate public facilities, and 3) mixture of housing, recreation and cultural activities.	No	Yes. RCW 84.14 but only applies to cities and certain counties.	Cost-offset of multi-family development. Higher density incentive. Not directly revenue generating.	Infill/Redevelopment Expanded UGAs
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability

	and recently withdrawn from the current revenue sharing			Politically-charged.	
Revenue Sharing	Revenue sharing is the gradual shift of revenue from one jurisdiction to another (i.e. sales or property tax) based upon annexation or other factor. The Cities of Bremerton and Port Orchard and recently withdrawn from	No	Yes	Maximizes existing revenue sources by sharing costs. Incentivize county to continue infrastructure improvement in likely annexation areas. Not directly revenue generating.	Any UGA associated with an existing city. Infill/Redevelopment
Charge	service billed to those customers who connected to the sanitary sewage system on or after a certain date established by the local legislative authority. For example, King County Metro has established this rate program in which the funding goes directly to expanding treatment facilities or expanding existing facilities.	No	Yes. RCW 35.58, but must include two cities. one which is 10,000 or more in population.	Addresses increasing cost of new capacity (through connection fee) with different connection charges for properties connecting after a particular date. Addresses "growth pays for growth." Complex administration Politically-charged Limited utility for Kitsap A clear nexus for increased rates must be determined.	Areas served by Central Kitsap or Kingston Wastewater Facilities Areas served by the Port Orchard/West Sound Utility District sewer plant

Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Developer Extensions	Extension and improvements to the wastewater conveyance system would be borne by developments.	No	Yes	Historically, the funding mechanism for conveyance infrastructure (growth pays for growth). Requires high-density projects and large tracts of land, limited critical areas to balance out costs. Costly and pump stations may not be located in the most logical and regional location.	Vacant lands Infill/Redevelopment
Utility Local Improvement District (ULID)	Property owners assess themselves a fee to pay for sewer improvements. The maximum amount of an ULID is unlimited with funding coming from voterapproved assessments on properties within specified district.	Yes	Yes	Provides funding mechanism to maintain and construct infrastructure. Requires 51% approval of properties located within the district.	Existing development without adequate sewer infrastructure Infill/Redevelopment Vacant lands
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability

Latecomers	Allowing latecomers			Delayed benefits with money	Infill/Redevelopment	
Agreements	agreements (the requirement for future development to pay back infrastructure costs) to accrue interest and lengthening the period of time in which these payments may be received.	No	Yes	coming in after development is constructed. 20 years too little time to recoup costs. Interest percentage is not worth risk. Only benefits city or county, not the developer.	Expanded UGAs Areas of Environmental Concern Vacant lands	
PUBLIC/PRIVATE STRATEGIES						
Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability	

	improvements.				
	limited only to transportation				
	Washington state, but				
	currently authorized in				
	Districts (TBD). TBDs are				
	Transportation Benefit				
	function to that of				
	vote. CDDs are similar in				
	may not require a public				
	improvements, which may or				
	proposed capital	Yes	No		
	taxing authority to pay for	V	NI-		
	The district would also have				
	transportation and/or parks).			Politically-charged	
	of public services (i.e. sewer, water, utilities,				
	improvements for a number			Complicated to administer	
	construction of capital			Large area needed	
	maintenance/operation and				
	implementation by providing			More flexible taxing authority	
	CDD infrastructure			Binding on future incorporations	
Districts (CDDs)	specified district boundary. A				Kingston UGA
Community Development	CDD's are quasi-government agencies focusing on a			specific area	

Tax Increment	Tax Increment Financing is a tool			Focuses on revenue and costs for a	Infill/Redevelopment Areas
Financing	to use future gains in taxes (i.e.			specific area	
	real estate excise tax, sales tax,				Capacity improvement to
	property tax, etc.) to finance			Large area needed	existing infrastructure.
	capital improvements. Tax				
	Increment Financing dedicates			Not binding on future	Vacant Lands
	that increased revenue to finance			incorporations or annexations	
	debt issued to pay for the project.			·	
	For example, when a public			Complicated to administer	
	project such as a road, sewer or				
	water is constructed, there is an			Highly competitive	
	increase in the value of				
	surrounding area and often new			Revenue generation is dependent	
	private investment. This		Depends,	on economy	
	increased value and investment		Limited to CERB		
	creates more taxable property,	No	LIFT and		
	which increases tax revenues.	140			
	Currently, Washington state only		Hospital Benefit		
	allows Tax Increment Financing		Programs.		
	through the use of CERB, LIFT or a				
	state identified increment area				
	(only one currently designated in				
	the entire state). The Washington				
	state legislature approved the				
	LIFT program in 2006 as a form of				
	tax-increment financing. This				
	mechanism allows jurisdictions to				
	receive a rebate up to \$1M of				
	their sales tax revenue previously				
	obligated to the state for future				
	infrastructure projects.				

Option	Description	Require Public Vote?	Authorized in WA State	Limitations and Opportunities	Areas of Applicability
Tax Municipal- Lease Financing	This infrastructure funding opportunity allows a jurisdiction to rent, with the option of purchase on a specific capital project. Under a lease-purchase arrangement, the government agency leases the asset (and reserves the right to walk away from the transaction without penalty if it does not have sufficient funds to appropriate for the lease in subsequent years). The agency receives a credit for each lease payment so that, at the end of the lease term, the municipality acquires full ownership of the asset. If the municipality terminates the lease prior to the end of the term, the municipality does not get any credit for those lease payments.	No	No	Removes costs of administration and overhead. Liability issues Higher costs borne by newcomers and rate payers. Not currently been done for wastewater facilities. Does not address infrastructure needs in existing pre-GMA developments (Tier 2 lands).	All UGAs

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B&O = Business and Occupation tax

CDD = Community Development District

CIP = Capital Improvement Plan

CK = Central Kitsap

GMA = Growth Management Act

HBD = Hospital Benefit District

HUD = United State Department of Housing and Urban Development

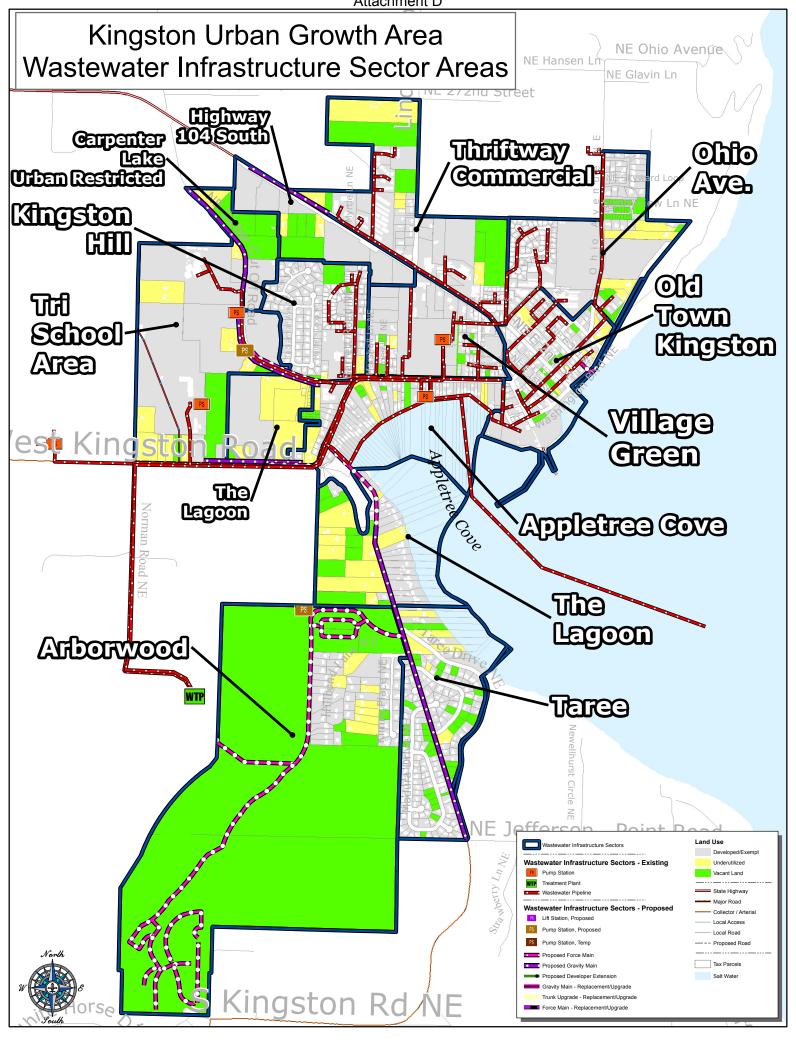
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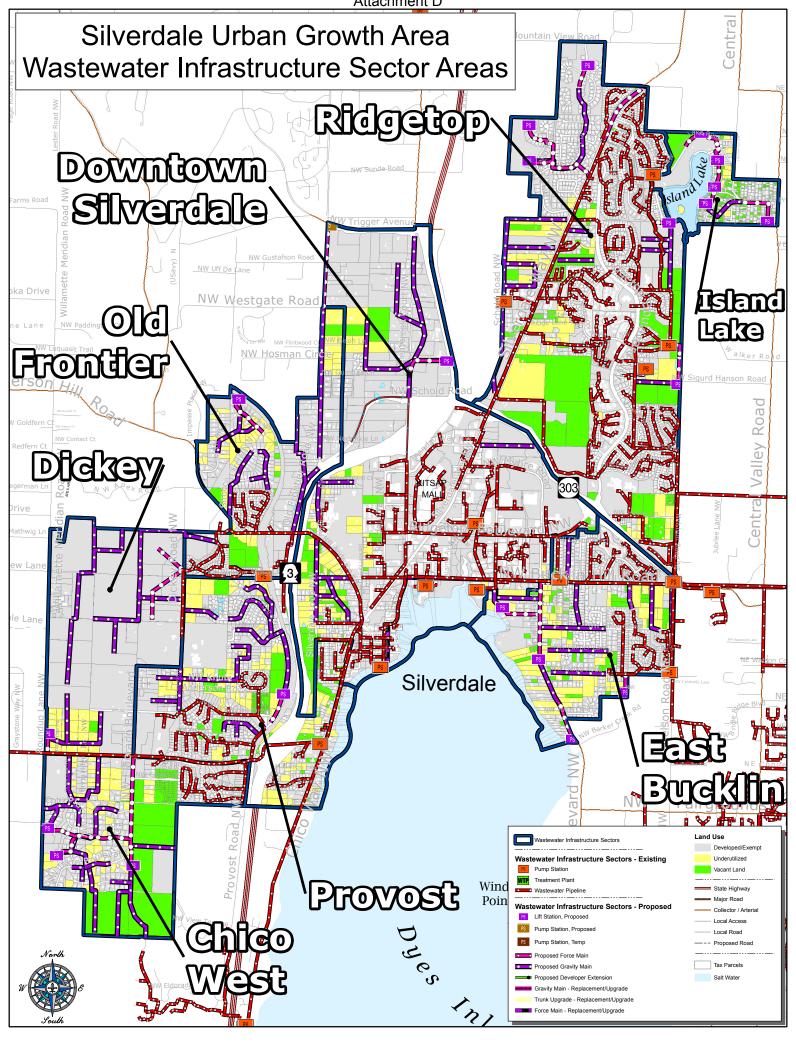
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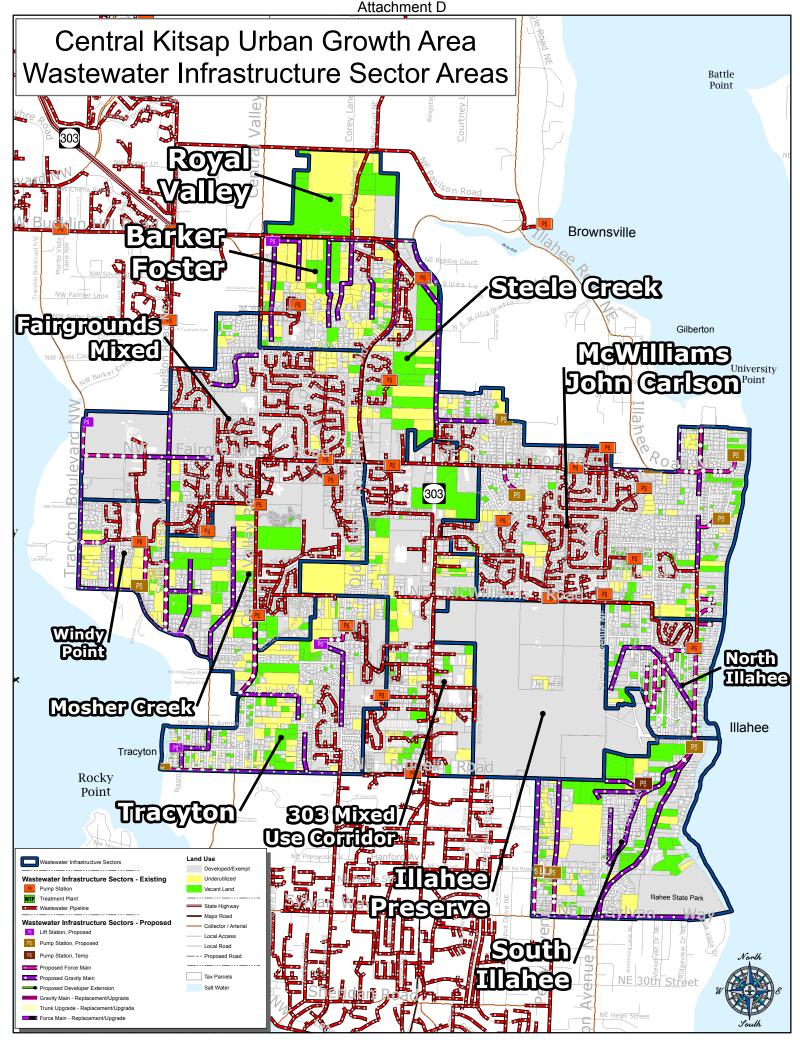
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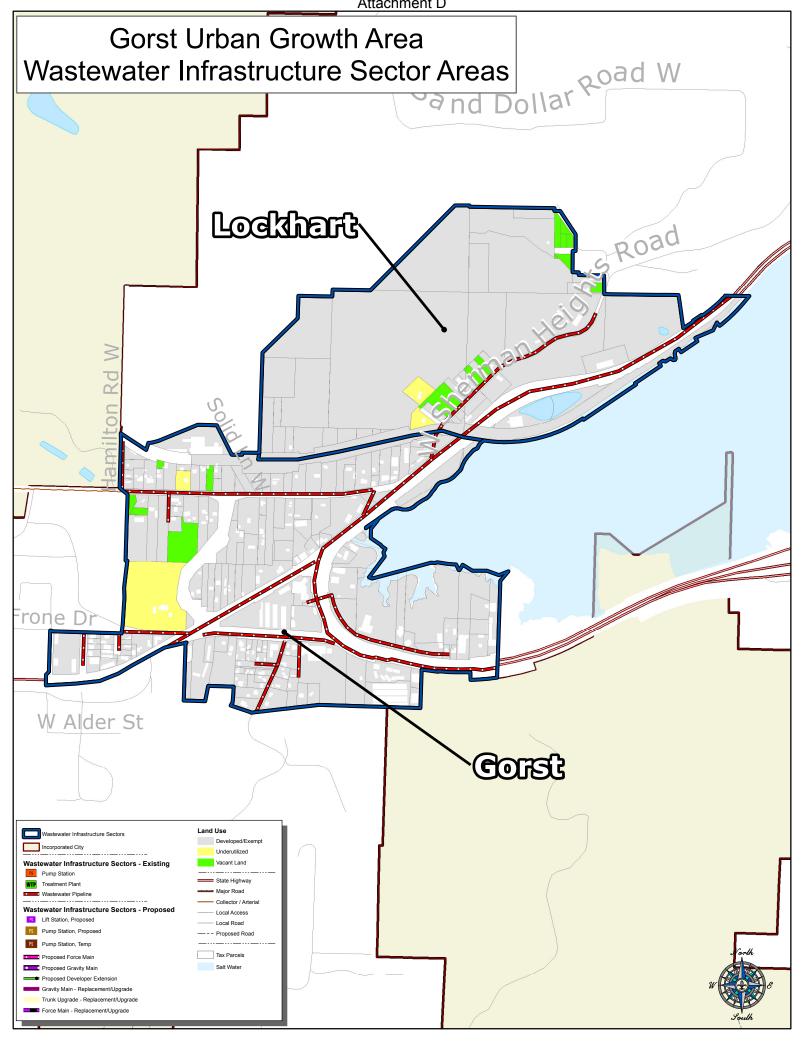
ULID = Local Improvement District

USDA = United States Department of Agriculture









ATTACHMENT E

WASTEWATER PROVISION STRATEGIES SECTOR ANALYSIS AND SEQUENCING MATRIX

The matrix below provides an analysis regarding various areas of the unincorporated Kitsap urban growth areas. This information is organized into sectors and includes an assessment of the characteristics of the specific area and provides strategies for future sewer provision. The matrix includes descriptions of the areas topography and zoning, existing facilities and based upon these characteristics, applies potential funding sources and wastewater service methods to each.

After the analysis was completed, each sector was assessed based upon the following criteria for potential sequencing of future sewer infrastructure. Kitsap has planned for urban levels of sanitary sewer service within the entirety of its urban boundaries within the 2025 planning horizon. The sequencing range is from 1 to 3 as described below:

Sequence 1: Properties that will develop in the near-term due to their close proximity to existing sewer infrastructure and/or substantial development potential. These areas often have limited critical areas or other constraints on development. These areas will likely develop on traditional public sewer technologies through the existing code requirements for sewer connection. Alternative systems may be options but are unlikely.

Sequence 2: Properties further away from existing sewer infrastructure where substantial development opportunities exist for infill or other construction. These areas may be moderately constrained by critical areas and topographical challenges. These areas may use traditional public sewer if economically-viable but may also explore alternative systems to reduce the costs of conveyance infrastructure.

Sequence 3: Properties furthest away from existing infrastructure, predominantly developed at pre-GMA densities on existing functioning septic systems or properties substantially-constrained by critical areas or other features. Most of these properties have no expected future development potential and likely (based upon current Health District documentation) no need to transition to traditional public sewer infrastructure within the 2025 planning horizon. However, alternative systems or traditional sewer will be extended based upon a documented need within this time period.

For maximum utility, the matrix should be used in concert with associated maps of each Urban Growth Area (UGA). Acronym List follows.

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence				
	Kingston UGA							
Arborwood	 Sector bound by South Kingston Road to the east, and includes the neighborhoods of Arborwood, Hillabend and Kimbre Place. Large single-developer ownership in west half which includes vested plat and developers agreement with specific sewer infrastructure design. Low density residential (Urban Cluster and Urban Low) Areas of existing development on functioning septic systems in eastern portion. Moderate slopes and wetlands. Minor infill development potential in Urban Low area. 	 Close proximity to the Kingston Wastewater Treatment Facility. No existing conveyance systems. 	 Developer Extensions Developer Agreement with vested Arborwood project Utility Local Improvement District (ULID) 	1				
Taree	 Sector includes areas east and west of South Kingston Road. Zoned Urban Low (5-9 DU an acre) Predominantly areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate slopes Limited redevelopment potential. 	No existing conveyance systems	 Developer extensions ULID Alternative wastewater technologies 	3				
The Lagoon	 Sector includes lands adjacent near to Appletree Cove. Low density residential (Urban Low and Urban Restricted). Wetlands and bald eagle habitat. Very little infill development potential. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	 ULID Environmental loans/grants Alternative wastewater technologies 	3				

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Kingston Hill	 Sector bound by Barber Cut-Off to the south and industrial and multi-family zoning to the north. Significant areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Limited infill/redevelopment potential. 	Moderate sewer facility system to east	Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer)ULID	3
Carpenter Lake Urban Restricted	 Sector bound along the northern area of Barber Cut-Off Road and bounded by the UGA boundary to the north and west. Low density residential Urban Restricted zoning. Some wetland constraints Close proximity to sewer infrastructure Low development potential. 	None	 Develop extensions ULID Alternative Sewer Technologies 	2
Tri-School Area	 Sector is characterized as lands located north of West Kingston Road. Three schools comprise a majority of the developable area. Few wetlands. Limited development potential. 	Sewer facilities to serve public schools	Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer)	1
Highway 104 South	 Sector is located south of Hwy. 104. Industrial and multi-family zoning Stream and moderate slopes. Significant development potential. 	Limited sewer facilities along State Hwy. 104 at the southeast corner	Developer Extension	1
Thriftway Commercial	 Sector is located north of Hwy. 104. Existing commercial (Thriftway, etc.) and some multi-family development. Moderate slopes in the north. Redevelopment potential. 	 Expansive sewer facility system. Some upgrades may be necessary based upon the proposed uses. 	 Facility improvements (rate payers, developer) Possible new funding sources (CDDs, LIFT, etc.) 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Village Green	 Sector is located west of Old Town and north of West Kingston Road Existing and planned parks facilities in the area. Primarily Commercial and Urban Village Center zoning. Commercial development potential. Few critical areas. 	 Expansive sewer facilities Some upgrades may be necessary based upon the proposed uses 	Developer extensionsParks and other grants	1
Ohio Avenue	 Sector is east of Washington Ave and north of Old Town. Some suburban sized residential development. Existing public facility in the north portion of the area. Moderate slopes. Urban Low and Urban Medium zoning. 	Moderate sewer facilities	Developer extensionsULID	1
Old Town Kingston	 Sector described as predominately Puget sound to the east, portion of Ohio Avenue to the northeast, Pennsylvania Avenue to the northwest and Appletree Cove to the southwest. Ferry terminal and accessory uses. Mixed-use and medium density residential lands. Infill and significant redevelopment potential. 	Expansive sewer facility system.	 Developer Extension ULID Possible new funding sources (CDDs, LIFT, etc.) 	1
Appletree Cove	 Sector represents urban low and waterfront lands northwest of Appletree Cove. Largely shoreline properties. Low density suburban residential. Some redevelopment potential. 	 Minimal existing sewer facilities. Pump stations on shoreline properties likely 	 ULID Individual hook-ups Developer extensions Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence			
	Silverdale UGA						
Chico West	 Sector bounded by Newberry Hill Road to the north, Willamette-Meridian Road to the west, and generally the top of slope to the east. Low density residential and a small area of industrial activity to the north. Low to moderate slopes. Few wetlands. Several large vacant lands in single ownerships with substantial development potential. 	 No existing facilities Alternative technologies possible Possible Silverdale Water District Reclamation / Aquifer Recharge 	 Developer Extension Alternative Sewer Technologies 	2			
Provost	 Sector is located south of Whisper St. with Old Frontier Road to the east, Newberry Hill Road to the south and Dickey Road to the west. Low density Urban Low residential Mixture of pre-GMA development patterns on septic systems and urban lots on sewer. Moderate slopes. Minimal infill potential. 	Some existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) 	1			
Old Frontier	 Sector contains Urban Low and some Industrial and Commercial zoning along Old Frontier Road. Low density development pattern. Significant development potential for residential and industrial lands and moderate for commercial. Significant areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. 	Limited existing sewer facilities	 Developer Extensions ULID Alternative Sewer Technologies 	2			

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Dickey	 Sector bound by Westgate Road to the north, Old Frontier Road to the east, Newberry Hill Road to the south and Dickey Road to the west. Industrially-zoned with minimal low density residential uses. Large parcels owned by few property owners Existing mineral resource activities within the area. Future reclamation possible. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Alternative Sewer Technologies Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) 	2
Downtown Silverdale	 Sector bound by Hwy 3/303 to the north and Dyes Inlet to the south Predominantly Regional Commercial with some mixed-use and high-density residential uses. Number of stream corridors and associated wetlands (Clear Creek). Largely developed. Redevelopment potential, particularly south of Bucklin Hill Road and in the Silverdale Loop area. 	 Expansive sewer facility system. Future upgrades may be necessary as infill occurs. 	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) Possible new funding sources (CDDs, LIFT, HBD, etc.) 	1
East Bucklin	 Sector bound by Dyes Inlet and Barker Creek urban separator to the south-east, Hwy 303 and Ridgetop Blvd to the northeast and Mickleberry Road to the west. Existing low density residential with some potential for high density redevelopment. Moderate infill potential. Wetland systems along shoreline. 	Moderate existing sewer facilities.	 Individual hook-ups ULID Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) Alternative Sewer Technologies 	2

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Ridgetop	 Sector bound by Hwy 303 to the south east, UGA boundary to the east and commonly referred to as the llama neck of the UGA (excludes Island Lake). Master planned development approved in the 1980's. Largely built-out. Low and high density residential. Infill development potential. Large single-ownership properties (DNR, etc.) in the southwest portion. Moderate slopes. 	Expansive sewer facility system.	 Individual hook-ups Developer Extensions Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) 	1
Island Lake	 Sector includes lots within the immediate vicinity east of the Island Lake County Park and Island Lake Road to the north. Historic lots subdivided in the early 1900's Low density residential development pattern. Some infill/redevelopment opportunity. Some wetlands and moderate slopes. 	 No existing sewer facilities. 	 ULID Alternative Sewer Technologies Environmental grants/loans 	2
	Central Ki	tsap UGA		
Windy Point	 Sector bound by Tracyton Blvd. to the west, Stampede Blvd to the east and Fairgrounds complex to the north. Low-density Urban Low residential zoning. Some areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate infill/redevelopment potential. 	Some exiting infrastructure	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) ULID 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Tracyton	 Sector bound by Dyes Inlet to the west, Riddell Road to the south and McWilliams and Central Valley Roads to the north and northwest. Low density Urban Low zoning Mix of early-1900's platting and more recent areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate infill/redevelopment potential. 	 Existing sewer facilities in the eastern half. Minimal facilities in the historic town of Tracyton. 	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) ULID Environmental grants/loans 	2
Mosher Creek	 This sector is located east of Hwy 303 and follows generally the Mosher Creek basin. Primarily low density Urban Restricted zoning with minor medium density residential in the northern portion. Significant areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Significant creek and associated wetland features. Some infill/redevelopment potential. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension ULID Environmental grants/loans Alternative wastewater technologies 	3
303 Mixed Use Corridor	 This sector is predominately commercial, mixed-use and high density residential zoning within the CK UGA along Hwy 303 corridor. High-intensity commercial and high-density residential zoning. Largely developed. Some redevelopment potential. 	Expansive sewer facility system.	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Possible new funding sources (CDDs, LIFT, etc) 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
McWilliams/John Carlson	 Sector represents majority of Urban Low zoning the east side of Hwy 303 and north of McWilliams Road. Low density Urban Low residential, with minor medium to high density developments to the south and Urban restricted along the shoreline. Largely developed. Significant areas of existing development on functioning septic systems in the eastern portion. Minor infill potential. 	Substantial existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Environmental grants/loans 	1
Steele Creek	 Sector bound by Old Military Road to the west, Hwy 303 to the east and Fairgrounds Road to the south. Low density Urban Restricted residential. Moderate slopes Significant creek and associated wetland systems. Limited infill or redevelopment potential. 	Moderate existing sewer facilities	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	2
Barker-Foster	 Sector bound by Foster Road to the south, Barker Creek to the northwest and Waaga Way to the north and Old Military Road to the east. Predominantly Urban Low zoning with areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate critical area constraints along Waaga Way Moderate infill potential. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	2

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Royal Valley	 Sector bound by Waaga Way to the south, Paulson Road to the north and private properties to the east and west. Zoned Senior Living Homestead (5-9 DU per acre). Existing infrastructure including water and highway access. Some critical areas Low to moderate slopes 	Existing sewer infrastructure (newly upgraded transmission line)	Developer Extensions	1
Fairgrounds-Mixed	 Sector described as the Kitsap County Fairgrounds and surrounding residential uses that includes majority of lands located within the northwestern portion of the UGA. Low density Urban Low residential and public facilities. Largely developed. Few areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Little to no infill/redevelopment potential. 	Substantial existing sewer facilities	 Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) ULID 	1
Illahee Preserve	 Sector described as the Rolling Hills Golf course, Illahee Preserve and open space lands between McWilliams Road to the north, Riddell Road to the South and generally Sunset Avenue to the east. Primarily zoned Parks with a small island on Urban Low. Little to no infill or redevelopment potential. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	ULIDEnvironmental grants/loans	3

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
North Illahee	 Sector includes lands north of Illahee Creek, slightly south of McWilliams Road, and east of the Illahee Preserve. Low density Urban Low, Urban Restricted and Illahee Greenbelt residential. Many existing lots based upon early-1900's platting. Substantial areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate to steep slopes. Low redevelopment or infill potential. May be community opposition to sewer, its associated density and its watershed effects. 	Few existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Alternative Sewer Technologies Environmental grants/loans 	3
South Illahee	 Sector generally described as low density residential lands to the south of Illahee Creek and north of Sylvan Way and west of Forest Drive. Primarily Illahee Greenbelt zoning. Wetlands, moderate to steep slopes and bald eagle habitat. Moderate infill or redevelopment potential. May be community opposition to sewer, its associated density and its watershed effects. Some redevelopment opportunities. 	Few existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Alternative Sewer Technologies Environmental grants/loans 	2

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
	East Bremo	erton UGA		
Tracyton Beach	 Sector is bounded by the Port of Washington Narrows to the southeast and surrounded by the City of Bremerton on all other sides. Zoned Urban Low. Some redevelopment potential with gravity opportunities to existing sewer lines Few environmental limitations. 	Substantial sewer facilities	Developer ExtensionsULID	1
Heritage	 Sector is bounded by Riddell Road to the north, The Port of Washington Narrows to the west, the City of Bremerton to the south and private property to the east. Zoned Urban Low with a pocket of Urban Restricted. Some critical area constraints. Some redevelopment potential. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. 	No existing sewer facilities	Developer ExtensionsULID	2
South Riddell	 Sector is bounded by Riddell Road to the North, the City of Bremerton to the east and south and private properties to the west. Zoned Urban Low. Some areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Substantial redevelopment potential. Few critical area constraints. Few slopes. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. 	Some existing sewer facilities	Developer Extensions	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Petersville	 Sector is bounded by Riddell Road to the north, the City of Bremerton to the west and south and Forest Drive and Perry Avenue to the east. Zoned Urban Low. Substantial areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Few critical area constraints. Few slopes. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. Little redevelopment potential. 	Some existing sewer facilities	• ULID	2
Trenton	 Sector is bounded by Sylvan Way to the north, Port Orchard Bay to the east, private property to the south and Perry Avenue to the west. Zoned Urban Low, Urban Restricted and Illahee Greenbelt. Substantial areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate slopes. Some critical area constraints. Some redevelopment potential. 	Some existing sewer facilities in the eastern portion.	Developer extensionsULID	2
Enetai	 Sector is bounded by Port Orchard Bay to the east, the city of Bremerton to the south and west and private properties to the north. Zoned Urban Low Substantial areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate to severe slopes. Substantial critical areas. Little redevelopment potential. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. 	Few existing sewer facilities	 Developer extensions ULID Environmental grants/loans 	3

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
	West Brem	erton UGA		
Rocky Point	 Sector comprises of the Rocky Point and bounded by Phinney Bay and Port Washington Narrows. Moderate infill potential. Primarily Urban Low residential with Urban Medium density uses. Substantial areas of existing development on functioning septic systems. Moderate slopes and bald eagle habitat. 	 Few existing sewer facilities beyond southern portion Pump/lift stations necessary on most shoreline lots 	 Developer Extension ULID Environmental grants/loans 	2
West Hills	 Sector is bound by the City of Bremerton on all sides with Werner Road to the south and Harlow drive to the north. Zoned Urban Low and Urban Medium residential with Industrial along Werner Road. Some critical area constraints. Moderate slopes. Moderate infill/redevelopment potential. 	Few existing sewer facilities in southern portion.	 Developer Extension ULID Environmental grants/loans 	1
NYC North	 Sector described as lands located within Navy Yard City, north of Preble Street. Largely developed with some redevelopment potential. Primarily zoned Highway-Tourist Commercial and Industrial with existing low density residential uses. Some low and medium density residential zoning. Moderate slopes. No other critical areas limitations. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. 	Substantial existing sewer facilities	 Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Developer Extension 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
NYC South	 Sector describes as lands located within Navy Yard City, south of Preble Street. Generally zoned Urban Low with mixed-use, commercial and industrial zoned properties located in nodes or along State Hwy. 304. Predominantly developed. Moderate slopes. Minimal redevelopment or infill opportunity. Primarily low-density Urban Low zoned land. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. 	Expansive existing sewer facilities.	Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer)	1
Sinclair View	 Sector generally along Sherman Heights Road in on the hillside above State Hwy. 3. Zoned Urban Low and Urban Medium. Largely developed. Multiple property owners. Moderate to steep slopes. Limited redevelopment potential. Close proximity to the City of Bremerton. 	Substantial existing sewer facilities.	 Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Developer Extension 	1
Sand Dollar	 Sector generally follows portion of Hwy 304 and remainder of UGA boundary to the southwest. Several historic plats that are largely vacant. Zoned Urban Low residential. Moderate slopes. Significant development potential. 	 Some existing sewer facilities along Sherman Heights Road. 	 Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Developer Extension 	1
	Gorst	UGA		

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Lockhart	 Sector includes large portion of Mineral Resource and Industrial lands and located on the northeast portion of the UGA. One property owner. Nearing end of mining operation. Reclamation likely. Moderate slopes. 	 Some sewer facilities along Sherman Heights Road. Gravity feed opportunities to these existing mains. 	Developer Extension	1
Gorst	 Sector contains remaining lands of UGA situated along Sinclair Inlet. Zoned Highway-Tourist Commercial and Urban Low residential zoning. Modest commercial uses currently in the area New sewer system creates substantial redevelopment and infill potential. 	Expansive sewer facilities throughout.	Developer Extension	1
	SKIA	UGA		
Northeast SKIA	 Sector described as northeast portion of UGA boundary. Largely annexed by the City of Bremerton in 2009-2010. Zoned Industrial and Business Center Moderate slopes and minimal wetlands. Existing low-intensity industrial uses. Infill/redevelopment potential. 	Sewer facilities available within the city limits through Port of Bremerton's community system.	 Developer Extension Possible multi- jurisdictional or public/private partnering. 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Lake Flora	 Sector represents southwest portion of UGA boundary. Largely annexed by the City of Bremerton in 2009-2010. Zoned Business Center. Area owned by a few large property owners. Moderate slopes and several wetland complexes. With infrastructure, significant development potential. 	No sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Alternative Sewer Technologies Possible multi- jurisdictional or public/private partnering. 	2
Southeast SKIA	 Sector represents southeast portion of UGA boundary. Largely annexed by the City of Bremerton in 2009-2010. Zoned Industrial and Business Center. Moderate slopes and wetlands. Area owned by a few large property owners. With infrastructure, significant development potential. 	 No existing sewer facilities. Substantial alternative sewer technology opportunities 	 Developer Extension Alternative Sewer Technologies Possible multi- jurisdictional or public/private partnering. 	2
	Port Orchard/So	outh Kitsap UGA		
Port Orchard Industrial Park	 Sector is situated northwest portion of the City of Port Orchard with Cook and Old Clifton Roads providing access. Zoned Industrial Industrial park largely developed and within the City of Port Orchard. Moderate slopes Moderate development potential. 	Expansive existing sewer facilities in southern portion.	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	1

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Sidney Sedgwick	 Sector follows the Hwy 16 corridor to the west. Zoned Highway-Tourist Commercial. Largely vacant land in multiple ownerships. Some existing residential uses in the southern portion. Moderate slopes and creeks and wetland complexes. Moderate development potential. 	Few existing sewer facilities located to the south within the Port Orchard city limits.	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	1
McCormick East	 Sector is located on the southwest portion of the UGA, west of Hwy 16. Predominantly annexed by the City of Port Orchard in 2011. Zoned Urban Low residential. Developed on existing functional septic systems. Multiple ownerships. Surrounded by the City of Port Orchard and a single large landowner. Few wetlands. 	No existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) Developer's Agreement with the adjacent land owner. 	2
Bethel Mixed-Use	 Sector is located south of Sedgwick Road, east of Ferate Avenue and west of Converse Avenue. Mixed-use zoning allowing for a variety of commercial and high density residential uses. Primarily pre-GMA suburban residential development with pockets of commercial. Numerous underutilized and vacant lands. Substantial development potential. Some wetlands. 	 No sewer facilities within the sector. Facilities located immediately to the north within the city limits of Port Orchard 	 Developer Extension ULID Possible new funding sources (CDDs, LIFT, etc) 	2

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Lincoln	 Sector is bound by Lund Avenue to the south, City of Port Orchard to the west and north and SK Park to the east. Zoned Urban Low residential. Several school and church sites in the area. Limited redevelopment or infill potential. Moderate slopes with minimal wetlands. 	 Expansive existing sewer facilities. 	 Individual hook-ups Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer) 	1
South Kitsap Park	 Sector contains South Kitsap Park located west of Jackson Avenue, Lund Avenue to the south, Mile Hill Drive to the north and Lincoln Urban Low sector to the west. Park zoning. County-owned. Moderate and steep slopes. No residential development potential. 	Sewer facilities adjacent to park property.	Parks fundingState and federal grants.	1
Parkwood	 Sector is located just south of Mile Hill Drive, Jackson Avenue to the west, UGA boundary to the east and Westminster Drive to the south. Public facilities, Urban Low and Urban Medium residential zoning. Primarily built-out. Wetlands and moderate slopes. Little to no redevelopment or infill potential. 	Expansive existing sewer facilities.	Facility Upgrades (rate payers, developer)	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Villa	 Sector is bounded by Lund Avenue on the north, Jackson Avenue to the east, Sedgwick Road to the South and the City of Port Orchard to the west. Zoned Urban Low Predominantly developed on existing functional septic systems. Moderate critical area constraints in the southern portion. Some redevelopment potential. 	Substantial sewer infrastructure along Jackson Avenue and Bethel Road to the east and west of the sector.	 Developer extensions Alternative Sewer Technologies ULID 	2
Salmonberry	 Sector is described as Sedgwick Road to the south, Lund Avenue to the north, UGA boundary to the east and Bethel Road to the west. Zoned Urban Low residential. Pre-GMA development patterns on existing septic systems. Pockets of vacant and underutilized lands. Some redevelopment potential. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Alternative Sewer Technologies ULID 	2
Phillips Road	 Sector is situated south of Sedgwick Road, west of Long Lake and east of Brash and Van Skiver Roads. Zoned Urban Low residential with pockets of Urban Restricted. Largely semi-rural development pattern. Multiple approved plats and vested projects. Significant development potential. 	 No existing sewer facilities. Several vested projects with sewer contracts in place. 	Developer ExtensionULID	1

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Converse	 Sector is located south of Sedgwick Road, north Cedar Avenue, west of Brasch Road and east of private property. Low density Urban Low residential. Predominantly developed on existing functional septic systems. School and Kitsap road shed located in the area. Limited redevelopment and infill potential. Some critical areas. 	No existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Alternative Sewer Technologies ULID 	3
Brasch	 Sector is located south of Sedgwick Road, north Cedar Avenue, west of Phillips Road and east of Converse Road. Zoned Urban Low residential. Mix of suburban and semi-rural development patterns. Moderate slopes and wetlands. Moderate redevelopment and infill potential. 	Full sewer facilities in the northeastern portion of the sector.	 Developer Extension ULID Sedgwick main – latecomer funded (money will be advanced, but recovered) Alternative Sewer Technologies 	2
Mile Hill Drive Commercial	 Sector is located off of Mile Hill Drive. High intensity commercial zoning. Mix of commercial and suburban/semi-rural residential development A number of underutilized and vacant lands. Significant redevelopment potential. 	Minimal existing sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	1
Howe Farm	 Sector is located south of Mile Hill Drive. Zoned Parks Owned by Kitsap County No residential development potential Currently no facilities on site and no need for sewer 	No existing sewer facilities	 Parks funding Alternative Sewer Technologies State and federal grants 	3

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Baby Doll	 Sector is located north of Mile Hill Drive and south of LaSalle Street along Horstman Road. Low density Urban Low and Urban Restricted residential zoning. Substantial areas of development on existing functioning septic systems. Significant development potential. Some critical areas in northern portion. 	No existing sewer facilities	 Developer Extension ULID Alternative Sewer Technologies 	2
Beach Drive	 Sector is situated south of the Beach Drive Residential sector, with Ahlstrom Road to the southwest. Low density Urban Low and Urban Restricted residential zoning. Substantial development on existing functioning septic systems. Moderate to severe slopes. Limited infill potential. 	Sewer main with limited capacity along Beach Drive.	 Developer Extension ULID Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	2
Horstman	 Sector is situated south of the Ahlstrom Road and north and east of the City of Port Orchard. Low density Urban Low residential. Pre-GMA suburban/semi-rural development pattern. Moderate redevelopment and infill potential. Moderate to severe slopes. 	 Sewer main with limited capacity along Beach Drive. Moderate sewer facilities in the southern portion. 	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	1

Sector	Characteristics	Existing Facilities	Strategies	Sequence
Retsil	 Sector is adjacent to City of Port Orchard to the west and south, with Port Orchard Bay to the north. Zoned Urban Low Area includes the joint West Sound/Port Orchard sewer treatment facility. Mix of early 1900's and pre-GMA subdivision. Moderate infill and redevelopment potential. Moderate slopes and streams. 	Substantial sewer facilities.	 Developer Extension Facility Upgrades (rates payers, developer) 	1

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Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 11:39 AM

To: Keith Grellner; Katrina Knutson

Subject: RE: Kitsap County UGAs and Sewer

Hello Katrina – After reviewing the current UGAs and current data, the Health District has concerns about the following areas due to small lot size, dense development, old septic infrastructure, a higher incident of septic repairs, and proximity to shorelines / stream corridors.

- 1. The Rocky Point and Marine Drive area.
- 2. Tracyton
- 3. The area between Auto Center Way and Kitsap Lake.

Please let me know if you have additional questions, thanks.

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Subject: Kitsap County UGAs and Sewer

Hi Keith,

I hope you are doing well. Could you please tell me if there have been any NEW wastewater public health issues identified by the Health District inside the Kitsap County UGAs since the end of 2012?

Thank you!

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