

Kitsap Natural Resources Asset Management Program

Core Team Workshop #1

February 2, 2024, 9:00-11:00 am



Welcome – Agenda & Goals

Goals:

- Discuss the scoring methods for specific attributes in the pilot watersheds.
- Share County-wide maps with existing Levels of Service based on updated scoring.
- Identify a list of efforts, programs, and policies that could be leveraged to achieve Desired Levels of Service in the pilot watersheds.

Time	Agenda Item
9:00 AM	Welcome
9:05 AM	2024 Anticipated Next Steps – Ross Strategic
9:15 AM	Updated Level of Service (LOS) Scoring across the County: Effects on DLOS Mapping - WCAEF
9:25 AM	Interim Desired Levels of Service (DLOS) for pilot watersheds: Discuss Scoring Methods for Three Attributes – WCAEF
9:55 AM	Working Towards DLOS in the Pilot Watersheds: Policies, Programs, and Projects – Ross Strategic, WCAEF
10:35 AM	Updates from Partners <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kitsap County: Comprehensive Plan Update Specific to KNRAMP (15 mins)• Suquamish Tribe• Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
11:00 AM	Adjourn



2024 Anticipated Next Steps

2024 Milestones





Updated Level of Service (LOS) Scoring across the County: Effects on DLOS Mapping

See separate maps



Interim DL0S for Pilot Watersheds: Discuss Scoring Methods for Three Attributes

See separate slides



Working Towards DL0S in the Pilot Watersheds: Policies, Programs, and Projects

See: [Mural Board with pilot watershed maps and discussion questions](#)

Discussion Questions

- **Goal:** Identify opportunities to work towards DLOS in the pilot watersheds, including types of projects that could be considered and existing policies and programs applicable in the watersheds that could be leveraged.
- **Discussion questions:**
 - If there was one thing that you could do to improve and one thing that you could do to preserve the state of the streams in the pilot watersheds, what would that be? What type of efforts would make that possible?
 - Of the type of efforts mentioned, what is already being done in the watershed? What could be done more of or what untapped opportunities should we consider?



Core Team Updates

- Kitsap County: Comprehensive Plan Update Specific to KNRAMP
- Suquamish Tribe
- Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe

KITSAP COUNTY Comprehensive Plan DRAFT DOCUMENTS

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PLANNING DOCUMENTS

- **Comprehensive Plan**
- **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)**
- **Capital Facilities Plan (CFP)**
- **Development Regulations**

UPDATE SCHEDULE

- **Comments on Draft EIS due February 26, 2024**
- **Comments on other documents due April 8, 2024**
- **Further public process through December 2024**

Preliminary Alternative Selected	Draft Documents Released	Public Comment and Outreach for Draft Documents		Preferred Alternative Selected	Final Documents Released	Board Adoption of Plan
April 2023	December 15, 2023	December 15, 2023 - February 26, 2024	January - March 2024	April 2024	August 2024	December 2024
<p>The County Board of Commissioners selected three preliminary land-use alternatives to review for environmental impacts.</p>	<p>Draft EIS, Comprehensive Plan Elements, Capital Facilities Plan, and Development Regulations released for public review.</p>	<p>Public comment period on the draft EIS.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outreach, including virtual/in person public meetings, community advisory council presentations. • Briefings and work sessions with Board of County Commissioners and Planning Commission. 	<p>The County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to select a preferred alternative which will include aspects from one or all of the preliminary alternatives.</p>	<p>Final EIS, Comprehensive Plan Elements, Capital Facilities Plan, and Development Regulations released for public review.</p>	<p>The Board of County Commissioners will make a decision on the final version of the proposed Comprehensive Plan.</p>

FUTURE MEETINGS

- **February 13, 2024 – Virtual Workshop, Zoom**
- **February 22, 2024 – In-Person Workshop**
Kitsap County Administration Building, Port Orchard
- **March 5, 2024 – Planning Commission Hearing**
Kitsap County Administration Building, Port Orchard
- **April 8, 2024 – Board of Commissioner Hearing**
Kitsap County Administration Building, Port Orchard

Comprehensive Plan - Goals, Policies and Strategies

Specific to KNRAMP

Environment Chapter

Definitions

Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program (KNRAMP) is a new framework to manage natural assets (such as forests, streams, and shorelines) using the same asset management and capital improvements principles that municipalities use to manage built infrastructure. The Program provides a mechanism to incorporate nature-based solutions and green infrastructure practices into traditional infrastructure planning and uses ecosystem services principles to quantify the “level of service” (LOS) provided by natural resources, using the same terminology as public works for prioritizing investments in grey infrastructure.

Levels of service are measures of the condition and performance of the asset in relation to the expected service. The Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program defines the levels of service provided by streams, forests, and marine shorelines. Methodologies used for calculating Level of Service are based on best available science, per RCW 36.70A.172, and may require revision over time as additional or improved data become available.

Goals, Policies and Strategies

Environment Goal 1. Ecosystems and Habitat

Protect and enhance the health, resilience, functions, and processes of natural environments and ecosystems, including forest lands, shorelines, freshwater systems, and critical areas to ensure functioning ecosystem services and fish and wildlife habitat are sustained into the future.

Environment Strategy 1.d. Use the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program and other planning mechanisms to assess the potential impacts of higher intensity land uses and development in ecologically sensitive and critical areas.

Environment Strategy 1.j. Develop and adopt a salmon and ecosystem recovery plan for Kitsap County that guides funding and implementation of restoration and protection projects and programs using the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program and salmon and ecosystem recovery plans from Hood Canal Coordinating Council and West Sound Partners for Ecosystem Recovery.

Goals, Policies and Strategies

Environment Goal 3. Natural Resources as an Asset

Formally treat natural environments and ecosystems including forest lands, shorelines, freshwater systems, and critical areas as essential assets that are planned for, managed, and invested in to meet the needs of current and future generations.

Environment Policy 3.1. County Departments and the Board of County Commissioners cooperatively plan for, invest in, track progress, and adaptively manage the natural environment as an asset.

Environmental Policy 3.2. Define natural assets, develop levels of service for each asset, and improve the inventory of assets and their condition. Work with the community and decision makers to develop levels of service.

Environment Policy 3.3. Continuously improve mapping, inventory, and baseline information of natural assets and their condition.

Environment Policy 3.4. Promote the most efficient and effective use of public financial resources for County projects and programs related to the natural environment.

Environment Policy 3.5. Possible additional policy: Recognize that a healthy and vibrant environment is a foundation of strong social, community, health, and other positive outcomes.

Goals, Policies and Strategies

Environment Strategy 3.a. Adopt and implement the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program as a mechanism to manage, plan for, and invest in Kitsap County's natural environment as an essential asset. Other mechanisms may include, but are not limited to, plans, ordinances, resolutions, or official policy directives.

Environment Strategy 3.b. Assess whether amendments are warranted to relevant codes or programs to ensure that the natural environment is being managed as an essential asset.

Environment Strategy 3.c. Develop mechanisms in addition to the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program to identify, document, and evaluate how the natural environment is assessed in land use, transportation, stormwater utility, parks, and other County plans.

Environment Strategy 3.d. Develop a monitoring program to systematically produce annual reports on the quantitative changes to natural environments based on land cover changes, development projects constructed, types and sizes of mitigation, or other appropriate metrics and the net result for natural resources essential asset management.

Environment Strategy 3.e. Develop a framework to determine economic value of ecosystem including methods to identify, describe, and evaluate the quantifiable services provided by natural environments.

Environment Strategy 3.f. Use project analysis methods including, but not limited to, life-cycle cost analysis, cost-benefit analysis, and equity analysis to ensure efficient and effective use of public funds for environmental projects and programs when practicable.

Goals, Policies and Strategies

Climate Change Chapter

Climate Change Goal 11. Habitat

Ensure the health, functions, and processes of natural environments and ecosystems, including forest lands, shorelines, freshwater systems, and critical areas are protected.

Climate Change Strategy 11.e. Implement the Kitsap Natural Resources Asset Management Program to assist in prioritizing projects that restore ecosystem health.

Climate Change Goal 16. Park Tree Canopy

Manage tree canopy within park areas to sequester carbon.

Climate Change Strategy 16.a. Identify and assess parks resource areas for their suitability for recreational uses and opportunities for habitat restoration or preservation utilizing tools including but not limited to the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program.

Goals, Policies and Strategies

Parks Chapter

Parks Goal 5. Environmental Compatibility

Provide regional parks and open space for passive recreation that preserves the ecological needs of wildlife.

Parks Policy 5.4. Kitsap County's Parks Department will strive to limit conflict between wildlife and humans and decrease impact on habitat by improving identification of protected areas using the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program as an information source.

Parks Strategy 5.c. Identify, assess, and prioritize parks resource areas for their suitability for recreational uses and needs for habitat restoration or preservation, utilizing the Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program as a tool.

Questions?

Please visit our website to review and comment on any of the draft documents.

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Thank you!