

## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

### Shelton Comprehensive Plan Update and UGA Expansion Final Environmental Impact Statement

Notice is hereby given under WAC 197-11-460 that the City of Shelton is issuing the Comprehensive Plan Update and Urban Growth Area Expansion Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS).

**Description of Proposal:** The City of Shelton is updating its Comprehensive Plan in compliance with the Growth Management Act (GMA). The update includes the following:

- Revise Shelton Comprehensive Plan Elements to address growth during the 2016-2036 planning period, land use plan and zoning changes to accommodate growth targets for population, housing and employment, transportation and capital facilities plans, and housekeeping and consistency amendments.
- Amendments and updates to comprehensive plan elements to ensure consistency with the City's review of its plans in response to GMA requirements and Countywide Planning Policies.
- Consideration of the expansion of the Urban Growth Area (UGA) to accommodate new housing and employment growth.
- Review and update critical areas regulations consistent with an updated Best Available Science report on Critical Areas.
- Update zoning and development regulations consistent with the updated future land use plan, including pre-annexation zoning of UGA expansion areas.

**Environmental Topics and Alternatives:** The FEIS addresses the following topics: Earth, Surface Water, Ground Water, Plants and Animals, Environmental Health, Air Quality and Greenhouse Gasses, Land Use, Plans and Policies, Aesthetics, Transportation and Traffic, Public Services, and Utilities. For each topic, the proposal and alternatives are evaluated.

The Final EIS responds to public comments received on the Draft EIS, issued on February 2, 2017. The Final EIS also provides corrections and clarifications to the environmental analysis contained in the Draft EIS. The Final EIS carries forward all the alternatives that were evaluated in the Draft SEIS without substantial changes. The Final EIS selects Alternative 2 as a preferred alternative. No final decisions have been reached regarding the proposal or other alternatives at this time.

**Document Availability:** Hard copies of the Final EIS are available for review at Shelton Community and Economic Development Department at the Shelton Civic Center, 525 W Cota Street, Shelton, WA 98584-2571 and at the Shelton Timberland Library/William G. Reed Public Library, 710 W. Alder Street, Shelton, WA 98584-2571. The document is posted on the City's Web site at:

[http://sheltonwa.gov/departments/community\\_and\\_economic\\_development/shelton\\_annual\\_comprehensive.php](http://sheltonwa.gov/departments/community_and_economic_development/shelton_annual_comprehensive.php)

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