

SURVEY

City of Tonasket

Shoreline Master Program Update

The City of Tonasket is conducting a comprehensive and periodic update of its Shoreline Master Program (SMP) as required by state law. The SMP applies to all lakes over 20 acres, and larger streams (over 20 cubic feet per second) as well as associated wetlands and uplands at least 200 feet on a horizontal plane from the Ordinary-High-Water-Mark of the shoreline. The Siwash Creek, Bonaparte Creek, the Okanogan River, and any associated wetlands are within the jurisdiction of the SMP. This project will focus on updating policies and regulations to ensure consistency with current state law. Please help guide this project by providing your input to the following questions. Skip any that do not apply to you.

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What is your relationship to shorelines in Tonasket? (Check all that apply)

- I recreate along shorelines (e.g. walk beaches or trails, camp near shorelines, etc.).
- I boat or fish on the water bodies.
- I have a business dependent on Tonasket shorelines (e.g. marina, aquaculture, etc.).
- I own, rent or have access to, property within 200 feet of the Siwash Creek, Bonaparte Creek, the Okanogan River,
 - o If yes, name all that apply: _____
- Other (please specify) _____

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2. The state Shoreline Management Act requires local SMPs to balance three goals: Use & Development, Public Access, and Resource Protection along our local shorelines of the state.

Which of the following SMP Governing Principles do you support (select all that apply):

- Ensuring local regulations are consistent with state laws & rules
- Achieving local planning policies through both regulatory & non-regulatory means
- Avoiding unconstitutional infringement upon and taking of private property rights
- Applying SMP regulations only to shoreline areas & applying SMP planning functions more broadly across watersheds
- Protect shoreline ecological functions
- Other (please specify) _____

3. What types of use and development activities would you like to see maintained and/or increased in the Shoreline? (select all that apply):

- Public access to the shoreline (visual and/or physical)
- Private access to the shoreline (stairs to the water)
- Commercial development
- Education opportunities
- Underwater dive parks
- Docks, boat ramps, mooring buoys, marinas, etc.
- Residential development
- Aquaculture (shellfish, finfish)
- Fishing
- Marine Trades (boat building and repair, etc.)
- Water quality
- Other (please specify)

Questions #4-9: For Recent Permit Applicants

4. Have you inquired about, applied for, or been issued a shoreline permit by the City of Tonasket? If yes, which type or permit (select one and describe the type of development):

- Shoreline Exemption _____

- Shoreline Conditional Use Permit _____
- Shoreline Variance _____
- Shoreline Substantial Development Permit _____

5. Were there any barriers you ran into when attempting to permit a project in Shoreline Jurisdiction? Were the barriers financial, regulatory, or other? (describe):

6. When presented with the SMP Regulations, were you able to easily comprehend the intent of the regulations, and did you clearly understand the permitting process?

7. Did you fully understand what was expected from you (i.e. applications, reports, fees) and the reasons for certain requirements such as special reports?

8. Could you easily get your questions answered in a meaningful and timely manner? (describe):

9. If you answered questions #4-9, what could be done to improve the regulations, process, etc?

10. Are there any sections of the SMP or specific provisions that you think the City needs to revise? (describe):

11. Are there any changes to local circumstance, new information, or improved data the County needs to consider regarding the SMP? (describe):

12. Is there anything else you would like to share about the SMP comprehensive review and update?

13. How would you prefer to contribute to the update effort?

- Workshop
- Field Trip
- Survey
- Interview
- Email
- Online Meeting
- Not interested

Thank you for your time!

For more information about the SMP periodic review/update, please see the project website

For questions or to sign up to be notified of SMP periodic review/update events, please contact:

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