

SMP Handbook Update

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Shoreline Planners Toolbox



WELCOME!

We hope this Shoreline Master Program (SMP) toolbox helps you quickly and easily find the information you need for updating your local program.

If you don't find what you need, please contact the [Ecology regional planner](#) assigned to your town, city, or county.

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SMP UPDATES

APPROVED TO DATE



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Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Handbook

- Designed to assist local government planners in meeting requirements of the [Shoreline Management Act](#) (RCW 90.58) and [Shoreline Master Program Guidelines](#) (WAC 173-26, Part III).
- Builds on existing guidance materials and the collective experience of Ecology and our local government partners.
- Benefits from a vast body of scientific knowledge acquired since the first SMPs were adopted in the 1970s.

Given Ecology's limited staffing, Handbook Chapters and other sections are being developed and published according to the needs of local government planners.

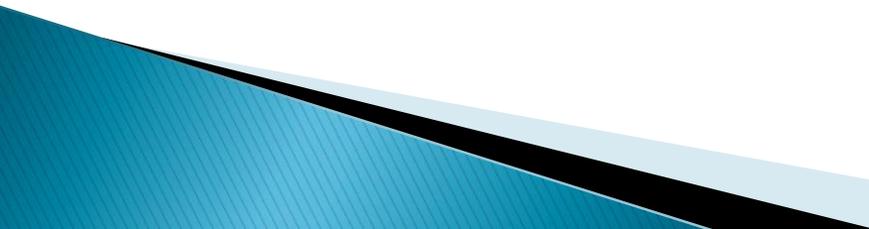
If you need information on a certain topic and the relevant Handbook section is not available, please contact [your regional planner](#) for assistance.

Handbook chapter

SMP Handbook Chapters (7/11)

- ▶ Chapter 4 – No Net Loss of Shoreline Ecological Functions
 - ▶ Chapter 5 – Shoreline Jurisdiction
 - ▶ Chapter 6 – Public Participation
 - ▶ Chapter 7 – Shoreline Inventory and Characterization
 - ▶ Chapter 8 – Shoreline Use Analysis (new!)
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SMP Handbook Chapters (7/11)

- ▶ Chapter 9 – Shoreline Public Access
 - ▶ Chapter 13 – Shoreline Environment Designations
 - ▶ Chapter 17 – Cumulative Impacts Analysis
 - ▶ Appendix A – Addressing Sea Level Rise in Shoreline Master Programs
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SMP Handbook Sections

- ▶ Integration of Critical Areas Ordinances
 - ▶ Existing Development (updated!)
 - ▶ Piers, Docks and Other Structures
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In the works...

- ▶ Shoreline Buffers
 - ▶ Channel Migration Zones
 - ▶ Community Visioning and Shoreline Management Strategy
 - ▶ Administrative Provisions
 - ▶ Aquaculture
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Other topics

- ▶ Restoration plan
 - ▶ Water-oriented uses
 - ▶ General goals, policies & regulations
 - ▶ Shoreline use policies & regulations
 - ▶ Modification policies & regulations
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Other topics

- ▶ Local approval process
 - ▶ Ecology approval process
 - ▶ Ocean management
 - ▶ Introductory chapters – SMA, SMP updates, general guidance
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What do you need?

- ▶ Handbook
 - ▶ Web site guidance
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