



SNOHOMISH COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

June 9, 2025

Snohomish County Council
County Administration Building
3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 609
Everett, WA 98201-4046

SUBJECT: Planning Commission Recommendation on Proposed Amendments Relating to Forest Practices Permit Application Extensions

Dear Snohomish County Council:

On behalf of the Snohomish County Planning Commission, I am forwarding our recommendation to amend Forest Practices permit application extensions. The Planning Commission had a briefing on this topic on February 25, 2025 and conducted a public hearing on March 25, 2025.

The proposed code amendments would amend Snohomish County Code (SCC) chapter 30.70, 30.71, and 30.86 SCC. Forest practices permit applications expire 18 months after submittal if not approved, and cannot currently be extended. Forest practices permit applications are typically submitted concurrently with a Land Disturbing Activity (LDA) permit application. LDA permit applications also expire after 18 months, although they can be extended. This code change would align the forest practices permit applications and the LDA permit applications to have the same application expiration date.

There was one (1) written comment received by the Planning Commission from the public prior to the March 25th public hearing, and zero (0) members of the public commented at the public hearing.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

At the March 25, 2025 Planning Commission meeting, Commissioner Chandler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Campbell, recommending APPROVAL of the proposed Forest Practices Permit Application Permit Extension amendments contained in the staff report.

Vote (Motion):

7 in favor (*Ash, Bush, Busteed, Campbell, Chandler, Larsen, Sheldon*)

0 opposed

0 abstentions

Motion passed

This recommendation was made following the close of the public hearing and after due consideration of information presented and is based on the findings and conclusions presented in the February 5, 2025 staff report, with which the Commission concurred.

Planning Commission Recommendation Letter
Code Amendments to Chapter 30.70, 30.71, and 30.86 SCC
June 9, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W Larsen

Robert W Larsen (Jun 12, 2025 18:43 PDT)

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Robert Larsen, Chairman

cc: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive

Mike McCrary, Director, Planning and Development Services

Darren Groth, Long Range Planning Manager, Planning and Development Services