

OCEAN MANAGEMENT CHECKLISTS
(ORMA Requirements of WAC 173-26-360 and MSP Requirements)

PERIODIC REVIEW CHECKLIST

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**TABLE OF DRAFTED AMENDMENTS FOR
ABERDEEN SMP PERIODIC REVIEW**

for

**CITY OF ABERDEEN
SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM
2023 Periodic Review**

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Ocean Management Checklist

Review Considerations for Evaluating Ocean Use Policies, Regulations, and Procedures within Shoreline Jurisdiction

This document is intended to be filled out by local jurisdictions for use by Ecology shoreline planners reviewing local Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs) within Clallam, Jefferson, Grays Harbor, and Pacific Counties. The SMA guidelines (WAC 173-26-360) require that coastal county SMPs include ocean uses policies, regulations, and approval criteria consistent with the Ocean Resource Management Act (ORMA). The marine planning law (RCW 43.372.050(2)) requires that Ecology also review coastal county SMPs for consistency with the state's Marine Spatial Plan (MSP).

These checklists are intended to ensure that the SMP:

1. Implements the ORMA consistent with the specific provisions of [WAC 173-26-360](#).
2. Incorporates information, analyses, recommendations, and policies from the [Washington State Marine Spatial Plan](#).

Local SMPs on Washington's Pacific Coast are responsible for incorporating the Ocean Management Guidelines (WAC 173-26-360), which implement the ORMA (RCW 43.143) into their SMPs. The MSP provides information, analyses, recommendations, and policies that must be incorporated in local plans, regulations, and permit processes, particularly through local SMPs under the Shoreline Management Act. Given the purpose, authority, and intent of the marine planning law, all state and local agencies are required to implement and adhere to the adopted Marine Spatial Plan (MSP) through existing regulatory and decision-making processes at the state and local level. To make decisions consistent with the MSP, local governments on Washington's Pacific Coast will need to:

1. Review and, if necessary, update their local programs and incorporate information, analyses, recommendations, and policies from the MSP.
2. Once incorporated, issue shoreline permits for new ocean uses involving development (as defined in RCW 90.58.030(3)(a)) that are consistent with the updated SMP and, therefore, the MSP.





CHECKLIST 1 ORMA Requirements of WAC 173-26-360

This submittal checklist is designed to help in preparation and review of local Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs). It contains a list of required SMP components and provides a format for demonstrating how the SMP complies with the SMP Guidelines. This checklist will accompany the local government’s Comprehensive Update Checklist or Periodic Review checklist, as applicable per RCW 90.58.080.

This checklist is for use by local governments to satisfy the requirements of WAC 173-26-201(3)(a), relating to submittal of Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs) for review by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) under Chapter 173-26 WAC. The checklist does not create new or additional requirements beyond the provisions of that chapter.

How to use this checklist

This checklist summarizes key Ocean Management issues. See the associated *Guidance for Checklist 1 – ORMA* for a description of each item, relevant links, review considerations, and example language. Local governments should coordinate with their assigned [Ecology regional planner](#) for more information on how to use this checklist.

Prepared By		Jurisdiction	Date
AHBL, Inc.		Aberdeen	March 3, 2023
Item #	Summary of Ocean Management Requirements: <i>Ocean Resource Management Act - ORMA</i>	<i>Review – Does the SMP contain this requirement. If yes, include reference to SMP section where this requirement is met.</i>	<i>Is the SMP, as proposed, Compliant? If not, describe action needed for compliance.</i>
Geographical Area – consider including a map illustrating these areas for ease of implementation			
1	Clear identification of the geographical area where the Ocean Management provisions apply within the local jurisdiction. See WAC 173-26-360(2).	No, other than a reference to WAC 173-26-360 (section 14.50.070).	The ORMA geographical area is described in general and as it applies to Aberdeen in new Article 5A Ocean Management 14.50.480(A). (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Definitions – consider including within the definition section of the SMP or integrating into a separate ocean management section.			



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2	SMP includes definitions for the following terms consistent with the definitions in WAC 173-26-360: Ocean Use. WAC 173-26-360(3) Oil and gas uses and activities. WAC 173-26-360(8) Ocean mining. WAC 173-26-360(9) Energy production. WAC 173-26-360(10) Ocean disposal. WAC 173-26-360(11) Transportation. WAC 173-26-360(12) Ocean research. WAC 173-26-360(13) Ocean salvage. WAC 173-26-360(14)	No	Yes, added to 14.50.810 Definitions. (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Shoreline Environment Designation – Review the SED designation criteria, management policies, and use matrix to ensure internal consistency with WAC 173-26-360			
3	Appropriate shoreline environment designations (SEDs) are proposed for the ocean management geographical area of WAC 173-26-360.	Yes, Appropriate SEDs of High Intensity and Aquatic are proposed for the ocean management area and are represented in Section 14.50.900, Appendix 1: Shoreline environment designation maps and described in Article 3. Shoreline Environment Designations.	Yes
Administration and Decision Making – consider including within the permit administration and/or a general ocean management section.			
4	Additional approval criteria of RCW 43.143.030(2) for newly proposed ocean uses and developments. WAC 173-26-360(6)	No, other than Section 14.50.070 which states “Ocean uses and activities conducted within the city’s and the state of Washington’s jurisdiction shall comply with Chapter	Yes, Added to New Section 14.50.730.05. (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)



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		43.143 RCW (Ocean Resources Management Act) and WAC 173-26-360 (Ocean Management). Nothing in this section is intended to expand or modify the applicability of Chapter 43.143 RCW, WAC 173-26-360, or any subsections thereof to ocean uses and activities not otherwise governed by those laws, administrative rules, or their subsections.”	
Ocean Management Policies – consider including these with Comprehensive Plan policies and/or a general ocean management section.			
5	General ocean management policies consistent with WAC 173-26-360(7).	No	Yes, added to New Section 14.50.480.02. (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Ocean Management Regulations – consider including within the Use section or integrating into a separate ocean management section.			
6	SMP includes the following specific use regulations:		
	a. Oil and gas uses and activities. WAC 173-26-360(8)	No	Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(A) and Table 5-1 .
	b. Ocean Mining. WAC 173-26-360(9)	No	Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(B) and Table 5-1.



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	c. Energy production. WAC 173-26-360(10)	No	Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(C) and Table 5-1.
	d. Ocean disposal. WAC 173-26-360(11)	No	Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(D) and Table 5-1.
	e. Transportation. WAC 173-26-360(12)	No	Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(E) and Table 5-1.
	f. Ocean Research. WAC 173-26-360(13)	No	Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(F) and Table 5-1.
	g. Ocean Salvage. WAC 173-26-360(14)		Yes, Added to 14.50.480.03(G) and Table 5-1.



CHECKLIST 2 Marine Spatial Plan (MSP) Requirements

This submittal checklist is designed to help in preparation and review of local Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs). It contains a list of required SMP components and provides a format for demonstrating how the SMP complies with the requirements of the Marine Waters Planning and Management Act found in RCW 43.372. This checklist will accompany the local government’s Comprehensive Update Checklist or Periodic Review checklist, as applicable per RCW 90.58.080.

This checklist is for use by local governments to satisfy the requirements of WAC 173-26-201(3)(a), relating to submittal of Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs) for review by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) under Chapter 173-26 WAC. The checklist does not create new or additional requirements beyond the provisions of that chapter.

How to use this checklist

This checklist summarizes key Ocean Management issues. See the associated *Guidance for Checklist 2 – MSP* for a description of each item, relevant links, review considerations, and example language. Local governments should coordinate with their assigned [Ecology regional planner](#) for more information on how to use this checklist.

Prepared By	Jurisdiction	Date	
AHBL, Inc.	Aberdeen	March 3, 2023	
Item #	Summary of <i>Marine Spatial Plan for Washington’s Pacific Coast (MSP) Requirements</i>	Review – Does the SMP contain this requirement. If yes, include reference to SMP section where this requirement is met.	Is the SMP, as proposed, Compliant? If not, describe action needed for compliance.
Geographical Area and Applicability – consider including a map illustrating these areas for ease of implementation			
1	The SMP includes the following:		
	a. MSP Applicability Area. Clear identification of the geographical area where the Marine Spatial Plan information, analysis, policies, and regulations apply within the local jurisdiction. Include an applicability statement identifying when and where the MSP should be applied within the local jurisdiction.	No.	Yes, the MSP geographical area is described in general and as it applies to Aberdeen in Article 5A Ocean Management 14.50.480(C) (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)



Item #	Summary of Marine Spatial Plan for Washington’s Pacific Coast (MSP) Requirements	Review – Does the SMP contain this requirement. If yes, include reference to SMP section where this requirement is met.	Is the SMP, as proposed, Compliant? If not, describe action needed for compliance.
	b. Important, Sensitive and Unique Area (ISU). The current MSP ISU maps from the state along with identification of this information as the best available data. Include an applicability statement referencing the state ISU mapping resource.	No	Yes, ISU mapping is introduced as developed using best available science in Sec. 14.50.480(D). Applicability and mapping resource location further described in Sec. 14.50.480.03(H-I) (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Definitions - consider including within the definition section of the SMP or integrating into a separate ocean management section.			
2	SMP includes definitions for the following terms consistent with the definitions in the MSP:		
	a. Important, Sensitive and Unique Areas (ISUs) b. New Ocean Uses c. The Marine Spatial Plan (MSP)	No	Yes, Added to Section 14.50.810 Definitions. (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Administration and Decision Making – consider including within the permit administration and/or a general ocean management section.			
3	Describes how the MSP will be used to inform the evaluation of new ocean use and development proposals. The SMP should include a reference to the MSP as a resource for project review and the process for reviewing new ocean uses proposals as outlined.	No	Yes, added to New Section 14.50.730.06 (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Ocean Management Policies – consider including these with Comprehensive Plan policies and/or a general ocean management section.			
4	Use of the Marine Spatial Plan. The SMP should include a policy statement about how the SMP is informed by the MSP and how it will be used in permit review.	No	Yes, added to Section 14.50.480(D) (See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)
Ocean Management Regulations – consider including within the Use section or integrating into a separate ocean management section.			
5	The SMP should contain ocean management regulations addressing the following:		



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	a. Important, Sensitive and Unique Areas (ISUs) Designation. The SMP should contain ISU designation types and criteria consistent with the MSP.	No	Yes, added to Section 14.50.480.03(H) <i>(See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)</i>
	b. ISU Protection standards. The SMP must apply ISU adverse effects and protection standards to new ocean uses and developments consistent with the MSP.	No	Yes, added to Section 14.50.480.03(I) <i>(See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)</i>
	c. Fisheries Protection standards. The SMP must apply fisheries protection standards to new ocean uses and developments consistent with the MSP.	No	Yes, added to Section 14.50.480.03(J) <i>(See draft SMP dated 3/3/2023)</i>



SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM PERIODIC REVIEW

Periodic Review Checklist: 2021 version

This document is intended for use by counties, cities and towns subject to the Shoreline Management Act (SMA) to conduct the “periodic review” of their Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs). The review is required under the SMA at [RCW 90.58.080\(4\)](#). Ecology rules that define the procedures for conducting these reviews include a requirement to use this checklist to ensure a successful review ([WAC 173-26-090](#)). By filling out this checklist, the local government is demonstrating compliance with the minimum scope of review requirements of WAC 173-26-090(2)(d)(ii). The checklist is organized into two parts.

Part One is used to identify how the SMP complies with current state laws, rules and guidance. This checklist identifies amendments to state law, rules and applicable updated guidance adopted between 2007 and 2021 that may trigger the need for local SMP amendments.

Part Two is used to document local review to ensure the SMP is consistent with changes to the local comprehensive plans or development regulations, and to consider changes in local circumstances, new information or improved data. As part of this periodic review the local government should include consideration of whether or not the changes warrant an SMP amendment.

How to use this checklist

See the associated *Periodic Review Checklist Guidance* for a description of each item, relevant links, review considerations, and example language.

Use the **review column** to document review considerations and determine if local amendments are needed to maintain compliance. See WAC 173-26-090(3)(b). Ecology recommends reviewing all items on the checklist.

Use the **action column** as a final summary identifying your final action taken to address the identified change in state law, rule or guidance. See WAC 173-26-090(3)(d)(ii)(D), and WAC 173-26-110(9)(b). This will likely include one of the following:

- Amendment proposed (include code citation);
- No amendment needed; or
- Not applicable.

Example

Row	Summary of change	Review	Action
2017a	OFM adjusted the cost threshold for substantial development to \$7,047.	21A.25.290B refers to the statutory thresholds, as amended by OFM.	No amendments needed.

For more information

Coordinate with [Ecology regional planner](#) for more information on how to use this checklist and conduct the periodic review.



Prepared By	Jurisdiction	Date
AHBL, Inc.	Aberdeen, WA	March 3, 2023
<p>NOTE: The City codified the SMP at Aberdeen Municipal Code (AMC) Chapter 14.50. That chapter is organized into nine articles. All proposed revisions are referenced accordingly.</p>		

Part One: State laws, rules and guidance review

Part One is used to demonstrate compliance with WAC 173-26-090(2)(d)(i)(A). This checklist identifies amendments to state law, rules and applicable updated guidance adopted between 2007 and 2021 that may trigger the need for local SMP amendments during periodic reviews.*

Row	Summary of change	Review	Action
2021			
a.	The Legislature amended floating on-water residences provisions	Floating homes are not allowed in Aberdeen (AMC Section 14.50.560.02(B)(8)).	Not applicable.
b.	The Legislature clarified the permit exemption for fish passage projects	AMC Section 14.50.730.04 references WAC 173-27-040 for exemptions. WAC 173-27-040 includes this exception.	No action needed.
2019			
a.	OFM adjusted the cost threshold for building freshwater docks	AMC Section 14.50.060.02(C) says that the city will review all development proposals within shorelines of statewide significance for consistency with RCW 90.58.030.	No action needed.
2017			
a.	OFM adjusted the cost threshold for substantial development to \$7,047.	The cost threshold is outdated in the 2017 SMP. Cost threshold should be updated in the SMP Article 8 – Definitions.	Updated threshold to \$8,504 (the value effective July 1, 2022 per OFM filing with the State Register).
b.	Ecology permit rules clarified the definition of “development” does not include dismantling or removing structures.	The existing definition for “development” in the 2017 SMP does not include this clarification. The definition should be updated according to the language in the checklist guidance.	Updated the definition of “development” according to the language in the checklist guidance.
c.	Ecology adopted rules clarifying exceptions to local review under the SMA.	The 2017 SMP does not include these exceptions. AMC Section 14.50.050 should be	Updated AMC Section 14.50.050 to include item “F”,



Row	Summary of change	Review	Action
		updated according to checklist guidance.	which outlines the exceptions to local review.
d.	Ecology amended rules clarifying permit filing procedures consistent with a 2011 statute.	<p>The 2017 SMP includes “date of filing” instead of “date of receipt” for shoreline permits sent to Ecology, as required.</p> <p>The 2017 SMP includes requirement for simultaneous filing of Substantial Development, Conditional Use Permits, and/or variances in Section 7.02.03.</p> <p>The 2017 SMP does not go into detail into permit procedures so no review is needed to ensure consistency with required permit procedures in RCW 90.58.140(6).</p>	No action needed.
e.	Ecology amended forestry use regulations to clarify that forest practices that only involves timber cutting are not SMA “developments” and do not require SDPs.	The 2017 SMP includes relevant information but could be updated for further clarity (Section 14.50.580.02).	Added language from the checklist guidance to AMC Section 14.50.580.02 to improve clarity.
f.	Ecology clarified the SMA does not apply to lands under exclusive federal jurisdiction	There are no such lands in Aberdeen.	No action needed.
g.	Ecology clarified “default” provisions for nonconforming uses and development .	The 2017 SMP does not include separate definitions for nonconforming use, nonconforming development/structure, and nonconforming lot. However, these changes are optional because the 2016 SMP includes provisions to address nonconforming uses.	No action needed.
2016			
a.	The Legislature created a new shoreline permit exemption for retrofitting existing structure to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act .	Section 14.50.730.04 references WAC 173-27-040 for exemptions. WAC 173-27-040 includes this exception.	No action needed.



Row	Summary of change	Review	Action
b.	Ecology updated wetlands critical areas guidance including implementation guidance for the 2014 wetlands rating system.	The 2017 SMP Appendix includes the current wetland ratings and buffers guidance.	No action needed.
2015			
a.	The Legislature adopted a 90-day target for local review of Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) projects.	This is not included in the 2017 SMP. Checklist guidance says it is not necessary to include in the SMP and reference is optional.	Added language from the checklist guidance to AMC Section 14.50.720.
2012			
a.	The Legislature amended the SMA to clarify SMP appeal procedures .	The 2017 SMP does not include SMP appeal procedures. Checklist guidance says that no change is necessary if SMP appeal process is not outlined.	No action needed.
2011			
a.	Ecology adopted a rule requiring that wetlands be delineated in accordance with the approved federal wetland delineation manual .	The 2017 SMP includes the required language, as defined in the checklist guidance.	No action needed.
b.	Ecology adopted rules for new commercial geoduck aquaculture .	The 2017 SMP includes the required rules for commercial geoduck aquaculture in AMC Section 14.50.550.02(D) including siting considerations and permit requirements. The definition of "aquaculture" does not include wild geoduck harvest.	No action needed.
c.	The Legislature created a new definition and policy for floating homes permitted or legally established prior to January 1, 2011.	Floating homes are not allowed in Aberdeen (AMC Section 14.50.560.02(B)(8)).	No action needed.
d.	The Legislature authorizing a new option to classify existing structures as conforming .	The 2017 SMP does not include this classification. The checklist guidance says it is optional to include.	No action needed.



Row	Summary of change	Review	Action
2010			
a.	The Legislature adopted Growth Management Act – Shoreline Management Act clarifications .	The 2017 SMP includes a separate appendix for critical areas and shoreline areas. The checklist guidance says it is optional to include.	No action needed.
2009			
a.	The Legislature created new “relief” procedures for instances in which a shoreline restoration project within a UGA creates a shift in Ordinary High Water Mark.	AMC Section 14.50.650.02(I) of the SMP references these procedures.	No action needed.
b.	Ecology adopted a rule for certifying wetland mitigation banks .	The 2017 SMP references AMC Section 14.100.070, which states that mitigation banks shall be established in accordance with the current Washington State Draft Mitigation Banking Rule.	No action needed.
c.	The Legislature added moratoria authority and procedures to the SMA.	The 2017 SMP does not include the moratoria procedures. The checklist guidance says that adding them is not necessary.	No action needed.
2007			
a.	The Legislature clarified options for defining “floodway” as either the area that has been established in FEMA maps, or the floodway criteria set in the SMA.	AMC Section 14.50.060.01 includes floodways as areas established by FEMA. The definition of “floodway” in Article 8 also references areas established in effective FEMA flood insurance rate maps or floodway maps.	No action needed.
b.	Ecology amended rules to clarify that comprehensively updated SMPs shall include a list and map of streams and lakes that are in shoreline jurisdiction.	AMC 14.50.060.01 includes a list of waterbodies subject to the SMP and a map of the waterbodies and shoreline environment designations (Appendix 1).	No action needed.

* See additional considerations for Ocean Management within Ecology’s Ocean Management Checklist and associated guidance for using the Ocean Management Checklist. This checklist and guidance summarizes state law, rules and applicable updated information related to Ocean Resources



Management Act (ORMA) and the Washington State Marine Spatial Plan (MSP). All jurisdictions with coastal waters must implement ORMA and the MSP applies to all jurisdictions that overlap with the MSP Study Area. Clallam County, Jefferson County, Grays Harbor County, Pacific County, Ilwaco, Long Beach, Raymond, South Bend, Cosmopolis, Ocean Shores, Hoquiam, Aberdeen, Westport need to plan for ocean uses consistent with ORMA and the MSP and should be using the Ocean Management Checklist in addition to this Periodic Review Checklist.



Part Two: Local review amendments

Part Two is used to demonstrate compliance with WAC 173-26-090(2)(d)(ii). This checklist identifies changes to the local comprehensive plans or development regulations, changes in local circumstances, new information or improved data that may warrant an SMP amendment during periodic reviews.

Changes to Comprehensive Plan and Development regulations

Question	Answer		Discussion
Have you had Comprehensive Plan amendments since the SMP comprehensive update that may trigger need for an SMP amendment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	Aberdeen adopted the City's most recent Comprehensive Plan in 2021. There are no amendments to that plan that need to be addressed in this SMP update.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Have your had Development Regulations amendments since the SMP comprehensive update that may trigger need for an SMP amendment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has your Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) been updated since the SMP comprehensive update? If yes, are there changes that trigger need for an SMP amendment?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	The Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) was updated in July 2021 (Ord 6673). There are no changes that trigger the need for an SMP amendment as the CAO updates are consistent with the language in the 2017 SMP.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	
Are CAO provisions incorporated by reference (with ordinance # and date) into your SMP? If yes, is it the current CAO or a previous version?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	Aberdeen Municipal Code Chapter 14.100 (where the CAO is codified) is adopted by reference in the SMP Appendix 2. Chapter 14.100 is the current CAO.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has any new shoreline area been annexed into your jurisdiction since your SMP was updated? If yes, were these areas pre-designated?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	None.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	None.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	

If your review and evaluation resulted in proposed SMP text or map amendments, please create a table that identifies changes to the SMP for consistency with amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Development regulations. Example format:

SMP Section	Summary of proposed change	Citation to any applicable RCW or WAC	Rationale for how the amendment complies with SMA or Rules



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Changes to local circumstance, new information, or improved data

Question	Answer	Discussion
Has your jurisdiction experienced any significant events, such as channel migration, major floods or landslides that impacted your shoreline and could trigger a need for an SMP amendment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Aberdeen experienced flooding in January 2022. We inquired with the city's public works department on this topic, and they did not indicate anything that would trigger an amendment to the SMP.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Have FEMA floodplain or floodway maps been recently updated for your jurisdiction? If your SMP extends shoreline jurisdiction to the entire 100-year floodplain, has FEMA updated maps that trigger a need for an SMP amendment?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	FEMA floodplain maps were updated in 2020 for Grays Harbor County. AHBL investigated the changes and found that the FEMA updated maps do not trigger any changes needed for the shoreline jurisdiction / SED mapping.
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Have you issued any formal SMP Administrative Interpretations that could lead to improvements in the SMP?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	None.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Are there any Moratoria in place affecting development in the Shoreline?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	None.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Have staff identified the need for clarification based on implementation or other changes? e.g., modifications to environment designations, mapping errors, inaccurate internal references.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	None.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Are there other changes to local circumstances, new information, or improved data that need to be addressed in your SMP?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	None.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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Various	Various grammatical improvements	N/A	N/A - The changes don't change the meaning but increase readability
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Updated the cost threshold in the definitions section.	Value effective July 1, 2022 per OFM filing with the State Register	OFM adjusted the cost threshold for substantial development effective July 1, 2022. The cost threshold was outdated in the 2017 SMP.
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Updated the definition of “development” according to the language in the checklist guidance.	Ecology permit rules clarified the definition of “development” does not include dismantling or removing structures.	The existing definition for “development” in the 2017 SMP does not include this clarification. The definition should be updated according to the language in the checklist guidance.
	Updated the definition of the following per Ecology’s Guidance document: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bog • Native Vegetation 	N/A	The updated definitions are per Ecology guidance document and therefore should comply with the SMP and Rules.
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Added definition for Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas	RCW 36.70A.030	The updated definition matches RCW 36.70A.030 and therefore should comply.
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Added definition for Geologically Hazardous Area	RCW 36.70A.030(10)	The updated definition matches RCW RCW 36.70A.030(10) and therefore should comply.
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Updated the definition for Wetland or Wetland Areas	RCW 36.70A.030 and WAC 365-190-030	“If permitted by the county or city” added for aligning with WAC 365-190-030
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Removed the definition for Priority Species, Threatened Species, Sensitive Species, and Endangered Species; updated the definition for “Proposed, Threatened, Sensitive and Endangered	WAC 232-12-014, 232-12-011 and 232-12-297 all no longer exist WAC 220-610-010 is now cited	N/A



SMP Section	Summary of proposed change	Citation to any applicable RCW or WAC	Rationale for how the amendment complies with SMA or Rules
	Species” and for “Species, Priority” and so forth		
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Updated the definition for “Recreational Facilities” to refer to “water orientation” rather than the concept of “water dependent”	N/A	The updated definition is in better alignment with the SMA.
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Added definitions for all of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ocean Use • Oil and gas uses and activities • Ocean mining • Energy production. • Ocean disposal • Transportation • Ocean research • Ocean salvage 	WAC 173-26-360	Per ORMA
SMP (AMC Ch. 14.50) Article 8 – Definitions.	Added definitions for all of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISUs • New Ocean Uses • The MSP 	N/A	Per MSP
14.50.050(F)	Added outline of the exceptions to local review.	Ecology adopted rules clarifying exceptions to local review under the SMA.	The 2017 SMP does not include these exceptions. Section 14.50.050 is updated according to checklist guidance.
AMC 14.50.280	Changed “Flood damage preservation” to “Flood damage prevention”	N/A	We don’t think preservation was the intended term here.
14.50.580.02	Clarified that forest practices that only involve timber cutting are not SMA “developments” and do not require SDPs.	Ecology amended forestry use regulations to clarify that forest practices that only involves timber cutting are not SMA “developments” and do not require SDPs.	The 2017 SMP included relevant information which was updated for further clarity per checklist guidance.



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14.50.720	Added information about 90-day target for local review of WSDOT projects.	The Legislature adopted a 90-day target for local review of WSDOT projects.	This is not included in the 2017 SMP. Checklist guidance says it is not necessary to include in the SMP and reference is optional.
14.50.750.02	Edited as follows: <i>If the revision involves a shoreline variance or conditional use, which was conditioned by Ecology, the revision must be reviewed and approved by Ecology under the SMA.</i>	WAC 173-27-100	The phrase “was conditioned by Ecology” should not be there because anything that was a shoreline variance or condition use that has a revision needs to be reviewed and approved by Ecology.
14.50 Article 9 – Critical Area Regulations	Various edits to reflect that the city’s Critical Areas Ordinance (codified at AMC chapter 14.100) which is incorporated by reference in the SMP, with specific exceptions. was updated in 2021. Given the revisions it’s no longer necessary in some cases to have a particular section replaced with other language in the SMP	N/A	N/A The regulations for Critical Areas within shortline jurisdiction will stay in effect; this is merely a change to restructure codes and references for ease of use and application.
14.50.918	Revised “Type F-A” and “Type F-B” water to instead list “Type F” water with a buffer of 100 feet	WAC 222-16-030	The revision is made to conform to WAC 222-16-030
Article 5A (Section 14.80)	Added a new article for Ocean Management including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ORMA geographical area description • regulations for Ocean Management 	WAC 173-26-360	Per MSP and ORMA



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MSP applicability language and policies ISU protection standards references and fisheries protection standards 		
14.50.730.05	Added additional ocean uses approval criteria	WAC 173-26-360	Per ORMA
14.50.730.06	Added language about MSP for project review	N/A	Per MSP
	Added statement that ocean management policies are consistent with WAC 173-26-360(7)	WAC 173-26-360(7)	Per ORMA
14.50520	Added Ocean Uses to the Use Table	WAC 173-26-360	Per ORMA