

Shoreline Master Program 2021 Update

Preliminary Shoreline Environment Designations

Shoreline Environmental Designations Summary

Natural:

Protect those shoreline areas that are relatively free of human influence or that include intact or minimally degraded shoreline functions intolerant of human use. Only very low intensity uses are allowed in order to maintain the ecological functions and ecosystem-wide processes.

Rural Conservancy:

Provide for sustained resource use, public access, and recreational opportunities while protecting ecological functions, and conserving existing ecological, historical, and cultural resources.

Urban Conservancy:

Protect and restore ecological functions of open space, floodplain and other sensitive lands where they exist in urban and developed settings, while allowing a variety of compatible uses.

Shoreline Residential:

To accommodate residential development and appurtenant structures and provide appropriate public access and recreational uses in areas where medium and high density residential developments and services exist or are planned.

Aquatic:

Protect, restore, and manage the unique characteristics and resources of the areas waterward of the ordinary high-water mark.

UNDER REVIEW

Areas being evaluated by Thurston County and Ecology subject matter experts. Final reach breaks and shoreline environment designations for these areas have not been determined. These areas are likely to be included as part of shoreline jurisdiction however they are subject to change until adoption.

Shoreline Environment Designation

- Natural
- Rural Conservancy
- Urban Conservancy
- Shoreline Residential
- Under Review

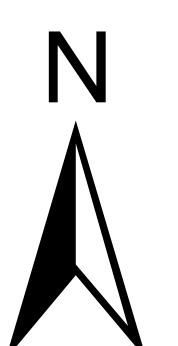
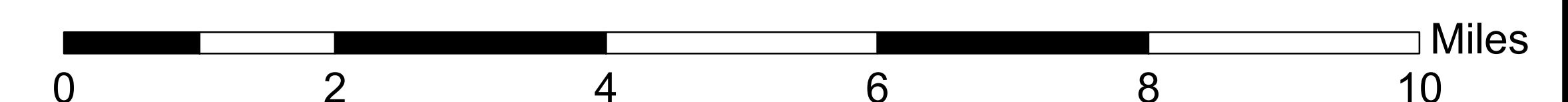
Aquatic*

- Cities
- Urban Growth Areas
- Major Roads
- Railroads
- Streams

Shoreline jurisdiction boundaries depicted on this map are approximate. They have not been formally delineated or surveyed and are intended for planning purposes only. Additional site-specific evaluation may be needed to confirm or verify the information shown on this map.

Planning-level channel migration zones are derived from remotely sensed data and are meant to be used for general planning purposes only. Delineating actual channel migration areas requires detailed on-site analysis and surveys that are beyond the scope of this data. For more information, see WA Dept. of Ecology Publication #14-06-025, A Methodology for Delineating Planning-Level Channel Migration Zones.

*Aquatic SED applies to all shorelines of the state below the ordinary high water mark. Please see Map 1, Thurston County Shorelines of the State to identify areas where the Aquatic SED will apply.



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