

Gig Harbor – April 26, 2006 Meeting Notes

12 in attendance

Pierce County, Katherine Brooks:

- Provided discussion on how plan has many education issues vs. regulations.
- Boating and zoning modifications would require changing regulations.
- Does group want insensitive on mandatory based plan?
- If more regulations, there will need to be more public involvement.
- LID is not required under Chapter 10 stormwater regulations. Gig Harbor Comp. Plan has it though. Question – is lake already protected by LID in Gig Harbor Comp. plan for Rural Resource Areas? Buffers currently on lake are 35 feet.
- Group needs to decide on what we agree on in draft documents.
- Hope is to prioritize action items at the next meeting and have an Open House on June 21 to present draft plan.
- Discussion on amending boundaries of BMA to include 1000 acre forest. Apply Rural Resource zoning to 1000 acre forest. Forest was not picked for BMA because it did not contain the best habitat for target species. *See comments from Michelle below.

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Michelle Tirhi:

- Told group that plan should be implemented with action items than “feel good” items.
- *Richness of Crescent Valley habitat is from hydrology, not the 1000 acre forest. Most wildlife would not be in this area if not for stream and wetlands. Landowners in these areas have a bigger stake at protecting biodiversity than the 1000 acre owner.
- Study how many people use lake and conflicts with wildlife. Cats Indoors Program was mentioned.
- WDFW owns boat launch (built for fishing) and can close it.

University of Washington, Karen Dvornich:

- Led group in Community Planning document discussion on Crescent Lake stressors and action items.
- Revised table based on group input and feedback.

Next tasks-

- 1) Group will be emailed table to do the following:
 - Does group understand and agree with it?
 - Prioritize their action items.
 - Note what is missing?
 - Clarify questions and clear up language (staff will do this).
- 2) Get through rest of Community Planning document table.
- 3) Community Wildlife Habitats program Gretchen Muller.
- 4) Ask Councilman Lee to attend June 21 meeting.