Shoreline Master Program Overview

The shorelines in Washington State are protected by the Washington State Shoreline Management Act (SMA) of 1971. The law strives to achieve responsible shoreline use and development, environmental protection, and public access. Local governments develop Shoreline Management Programs (SMPs) based on the law and state guidance, and the state ensures local SMPs consider statewide public interests.

In compliance with the SMA and 2003 Guidelines, Okanogan County (County) has adopted an SMP update that has been tailored to the local environment and to existing and future planned development patterns within the County's shorelines. The purpose of the SMP is to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the community and to manage the shorelines in a positive, effective, balanced, and equitable manner, while maintaining a healthy shoreline environment.

Using This Guide

This guide includes tables, diagrams, and illustrations that help explain six of the most common topics of interest: agriculture, docks, shoreline stabilization, shoreline buffers and setbacks, existing uses, and vegetation management.

This SMP User Guide should be used along with Title 14.15, Shoreline Master Program Regulations, of the Okanogan County Code (OCC).

Frequently Asked Questions

What Is a Shoreline Master Program and Why Does Okanogan County Have One?

The SMP is a combination of planning and regulatory documents that guide shoreline development. Local governments are required to prepare SMPs based on state laws and rules. Key principles of the SMP include striking a balance among environmental protection, public access, and water-oriented uses and achieving no net loss of ecological functions based on the baseline conditions of the County's shoreline when the SMP was updated. In particular, the SMP focuses on regulations and mitigation standards to ensure that development will not further degrade the natural environmental processes in the shoreline.

Does the SMP Apply to My Property?

The SMP applies to all new development that occurs within 200 feet of the ordinary high water mark of the County's shorelines and within its associated wetlands (see Appendix D, Shoreline Environment Designation Maps, for waterbodies within the County that are managed by the SMP). Legally existing structures and uses may continue. If existing structures are being changed, they will be subject to the existing development provisions of the SMP. For more information on how changes to existing structures are affected by the shoreline program, see page XX.

How Do SMP's Apply to Agriculture?

A 2002 state law requires that when local shoreline programs are updated, the new standards, setbacks, and buffers do not apply retroactively to existing agricultural development. Updated shoreline program requirements will, however, apply to new agricultural activities located in shoreline areas and where agricultural activities are converted to other uses. See Focus Topic #1 for more details.

Will the SMP Impact My Home?

Under the provisions of the new SMP, existing single-family homes are not affected. New development or the replacement of a damaged home on your property will need to meet the shoreline program requirements.

What is No Net Loss of Ecological Functions?

The new environmental protection standard under the SMA for the updated SMP is "no net loss of shoreline ecological functions." These functions are the elements in the environment that provide habitat for fish and wildlife, protect water quality, and enhance flows in streams and lakes. These baseline conditions were documented in the Okanogan County Inventory, Analysis, and Characterization Report, and this description of conditions is what no net loss will be measured against. Protection of these functions is accomplished by avoiding or minimizing the introduction of impacts to ecological functions that result from new shoreline development.

Focus Topics

Agriculture

New Agricultural Uses and Developments

Agricultural use and development provisions in the SMP apply to new agricultural activities, including new agricultural activities on non-agricultural areas in shorelands and expansion of agricultural activities on nonagricultural areas in shorelands. Agricultural lands are defined as those shoreland areas on which agriculture activities are conducted.

Existing Agricultural Lands and Uses Within Shoreline Jurisdiction SMP provisions **do not modify or limit** existing agricultural uses and activities occurring on agricultural lands, including, but not limited to, the following uses and activities:

- Producing, breeding, or increasing agricultural products
- Rotating and changing agricultural crops
- Allowing land used for agricultural activities to lie fallow, in which it is plowed and tilled but left unseeded
- Allowing land used for agricultural activities to lie dormant as a result of adverse agricultural market conditions
- Allowing land used for agricultural activities to lie dormant because the land is enrolled in a local, state, or federal conservation program, or the land is subject to a conservation easement
- Conducting agricultural operations
- Maintaining, repairing, and replacing agricultural equipment
- Maintaining, repairing, and replacing agricultural facilities, provided that the replacement facility is no closer to the shoreline than the original facility
- Maintaining agricultural lands under production or cultivation

Table 1: Agricultural Use and Development Standards Summary

A=Allowed - exemptions; Developmed fairmarket valintensity of designation requirements	; or, S nt dep value a use or -speci	ubstantial ending on and/or activity, or				
Shoreline Designation	New Ag	Vegetation Conservation Area for New Ag Development (in feet)	Ag Buildings and Structures	Grazing/Cultivation/ Orchards	Activities Normal and Necessary for Farming, Irrigation, and Ranching	Ag Activities on Land Currently in Ag Use
Natural	SDP	150'	Α	Α	_	
Conservancy	SDP	100'	Α	Α	Exempt per RCW	Exempt per
Rural	SDP	50'	Α	Α	90.58.030(3) (e)(iv) and WAC 173-	RCW
Shoreline Residential	SDP	25'	Α	Α		90.58.065 and
Urban Conservancy	SDP	100'	А	Α	27-040	14.15.160(A)

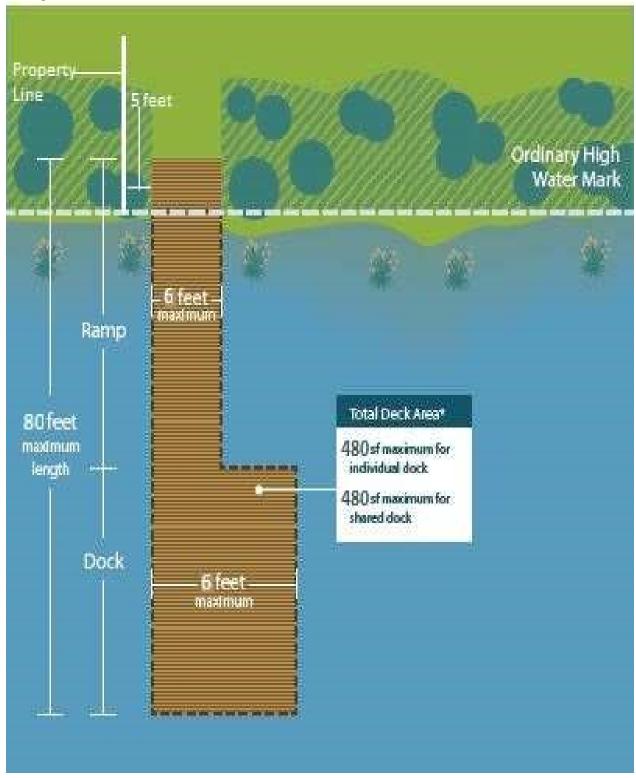
SDP=Shoreline Substantial Development Permit

Docks

Table 2: Dock Standards

Design	illualus				
Requirement	Individual Dock	Shared Dock			
Width					
Dock	6'				
Length	Max length is 80'				
Boat Lifts Floats	2 max (Not allowed in all Shoreline Designations, see Article IV Shoreline Designations)	2 max (Not allowed in all Shoreline Designations, see Article IV Shoreline Designations) 1 float			
Area	1 Hoat	Tilloat			
Float	100 square feet max	100 square feet max			
Dock	480 square feet max	480 square feet max			
Side Yard Setbacks	5' from side property line	5' from side property line, except shared moorage facilities may be located adjacent to or upon a side property line when mutually agreed to by contract or covenant with the owners of both properties.			
Decking Materials		least 50 percent of the surface area;			
	grating material must have at least 60 percent open space. Materials in direct contact with the water must be approved by applicable state agencies, including the WDFW and, in the case of navigable waters WDNR Floatation materials shall be permanently encapsulated				
Additional Standards	All requirements from USACE	, WDFW, WDNR shall be met.			
Habitat Management and Mitigation Plan	sequence of mitigation meas	g how the proposal will follow the ures in 14.15.115(B)(1) though (6) ent/Mitigation Plan in accordance			
	with 14.15.430(B) and(C).	,			

Figure 1: Dock Illustration



Vegetation Conservation Areas and Wetland Buffers

Vegetation Conservation Areas and Wetland Buffers are established to protect and maintain ecological functions (e.g., fish and wildlife habitat and water quality protection) next to a stream, lake, or wetland, providing separation from development and land uses that could impact these functions. Building setbacks separate structures from vegetation conservation areas by adding additional distance between vegetation conservation areas and the associated higher intensity development to further prevent vegetation conservation area impacts.

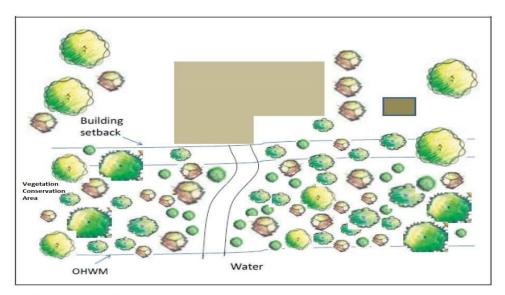
Riparian Vegetation Conservation Areas

Riparian vegetation conservation area widths may be accompanied by stormwater management measures, as applicable. Vegetation conservation areas are measured on the horizontal plane, from the OHWM, or from the top of bank if the OHWM cannot be identified. Standard riparian vegetation conservation area widths are summarized in Table 3.

Table 3
Standard Vegetation Conservation Areas and Building Setback

Standards		Natural	Conservancy	Rural	Urban Conservancy	Shoreline Residential
Non-Water Related Uses and	Vegetation Conservation Area	150'	100'	50'	100'	25'
Activities	Building Setback	175'	125'	75'	125'	50'
Water Related/Water- Oriented Uses	Vegetation Conservation Area	150'	100'	50'	30'	25'
and Activities	Building Setback	175'	125'	75'	55'	50'
Water Dependent Uses and	Vegetation Conservation Area	100'	50'	30'	10'	20'
Activities	Building Setback	125'	75'	55'	35'	45'

Figure 2: Illustration of Vegetation Conservation Area and Building Setback



Note: graphic not drawn to scale.

Source: Washington State Ecology SMP Handbook

Wetland buffer widths are based on the wetland category, intensity of impacts, and wetland functions or special characteristics. The range of wetland buffer widths is summarized in Table 6. See SMP 14.15.110(E)(1) for specific buffers widths by intensity of impacts.

Standard buffer widths may be reduced on a case-by-case basis based on a wetland report that documents no net loss of ecological functions or values, provided that wetland buffers may be reduced by no more than 25% of the standard buffer width (SMP 14.15.110(E)(2)and 14.15.110(E)(3)).

Table 4: Wetland Buffers

Wetland Buffers				
Wetland Category	Buffer Width			
Category IV	25-50			
Category III	40-150			
Category III	50-200			
Category I	50-250			

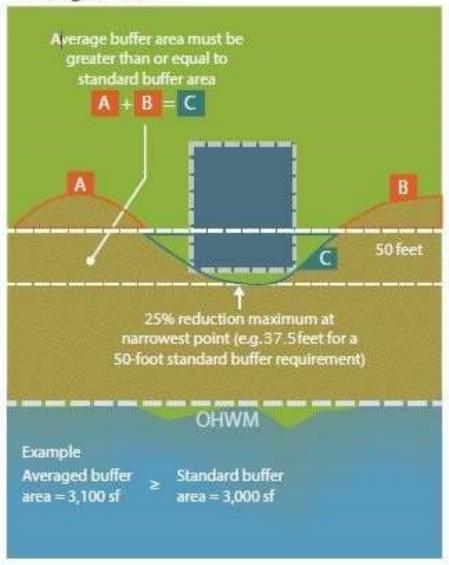
Note:

Buffer width range is based on wetland habitat functions and characteristics and impact of proposed land use.

Customized Wetland Buffer

Figure 3: Averaged Buffer

Averaged Buffer





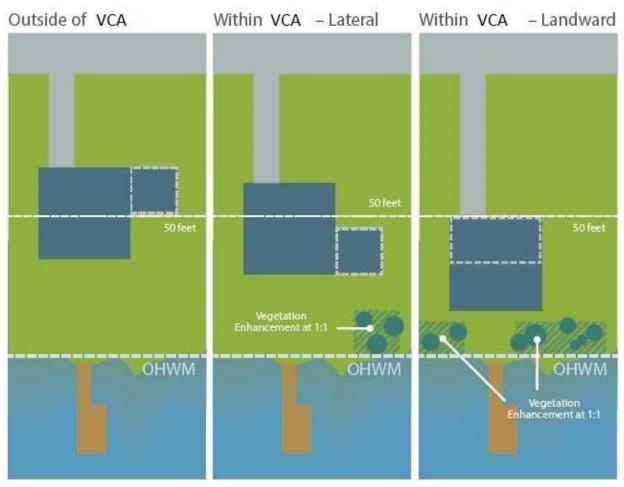
OHWM = ordinary high water mark sf = square feet

Table 5: Existing Use/Expansion

	Existir	ng Use/Expansion
Structural Expansion Within	Vegetation Conse	rvation Area
Vertical Expansion	Allowed	Does not exceed height standard of 35' above average grade level.
		Minimum vegetation is removed
Parallel or Landward Allowed with Expansions Mitigation	Expansions and native vegetation removal shall restore a portion of the vegetation conservation area with riparian vegetation at a 1:1 ratio to offset the adverse impact.	
		Stormwater is handled consistent with Eastern Washington Stormwater Management Manual.
Waterward Expansions	Prohibited	Expansions further waterward are prohibited wihin the Vegetation Conservation Area
Appurtenant Structures within Vegetation Conservation Areas	Allowed with Mitigation	Expansions shall restore a portion of the shoreline vegetation conservation area at a 1:1 ratio to offset the adverse impact.

Figure 4: Existing Use/Expansion

The following diagrams show proposed expansions in relation to the 50 foot vegetation conservation area for the Rural Designation.



Expansions and native vegetation removal shall restore a portion of the shoreline buffer with riparian vegetation at a 1:1 ratio.



OHWM = ordinary high water mark

VCA= Vegetation Conservation Area

Vegetation Management

Vegetation along the shoreline provides many benefits for the waterbody, the upland area, and shoreline residents and users. Vegetation helps to stabilize soils, which filter pollutants and fine sediments, contributing to improved water quality. Vegetation also provides important habitat and food sources for upland and aquatic species.

Table 6: Vegetation Management

Activity	Vegetation Management
	Noxious weed abatement shall comply with all provisions of RCW 17.10
Vegetation Management	Pruning and trimming of vegetation for maintenance purposes is allowed.
	Vegetation from the recommended list in Appendix H shall be used.
	Permit or authorization is required: Native vegetation cannot be removed from Vegetation Conservation areas without a permit from the County.
	View Corridor: View corridors may be allowed with habitat management and mitigation plan. In creating the view corridor removal of vegetation shall be limited to the minimum necessary to preserve or enhance views. In no case shall the view corridor exceed 15 feet of width with no more than 10 feet in impervious surfaces.
	Pruning: Non-destructive thinning of lateral branches to enhance views is allowed but in no circumstance shall removal of more than half of the live crown be permitted.
Native Vegetation Removal	Native Shrubs shall not be pruned to a height less than 6 feet.
	Where impacts to vegetation conservation areas are permitted, new developments shall be required to develop and implement a habitat management and mitigation plan prepared by a qualified professional consistent with the requirements of 14.15.430(B) and 14.15.430(C). Management and mitigation plans shall describe actions that will ensure no net loss of ecological functions. Vegetation shall be maintained over the life of the use and /or development by means of a conservation easement or similar legal instrument recorded with the County Auditor. Mitigation measures shall be considered as outlined in 14.15.115(B). Application of mitigation sequence shall achieve no net loss. Does not require mitigation in excess of that necessary to assure that development will result in no net loss of shoreline ecological functions. The development shall not have a significant adverse impact on other shoreline functions fostered by the policy of the act.

Activity	Vegetation Management			
	Applications for Clearing and Grading shall address species removal, replanting, irrigation, erosion and sedimentation control, and plans for protecting shoreline resources.			
	No clearing or grading within the shoreling permit, exemption, or variance is issued.	ne jurisdiction shall be initiated before the		
Classing and Crading within	Clearing and grading of the shoreline area landward of the vegetation conservation are shall be subject to the following limitations:			
Clearing and Grading within Shoreline Jurisdiction 14.15.200	Shoreline Designation	Percent of site that may be cleared and or graded		
	Shoreline Residential	25%		
	Urban Conservancy	15%		
	Rural	20%		
	Conservancy	5%		
	Natural	5%		
	Aquatic	N/A		
Wetland Buffers or Vegetation Conservation Areas	Clearing or grading within the vegetation designation shall be prohibited except where permit.			
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Areas	Riparian Fish and Wildlife habitat is found conservation of these resources are highl shoreline vegetation and limitations to deareas. Riparian habitat areas should be respecifically authorized by Okanogan Cour	y dependent on the existence of evelopment activity within these critical etained in their natural condition unless		

Shoreline Stabilization

The diagrams below illustrate shoreline stabilization methods that can be used to protect existing homes. New stabilization and hard stabilization that is relocated or expanded will require a habitat management and mitigation plan in accordance with 14.15.430(B) and 14.15.430(C).

Figure 5: Shoreline Stabilization

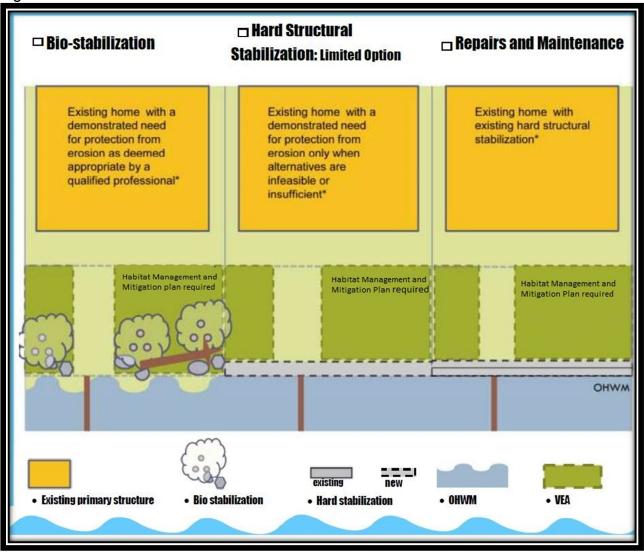
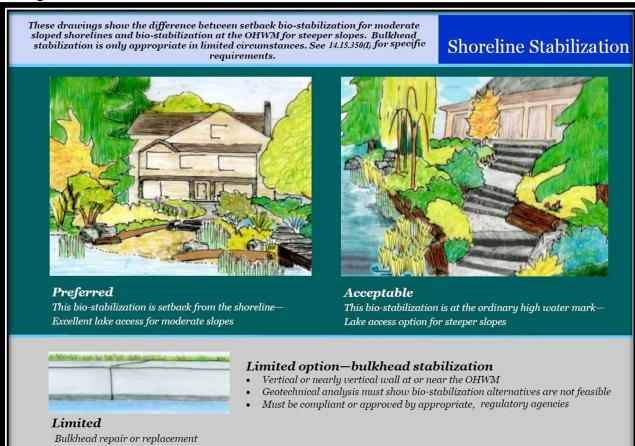


Figure 6: Shoreline Stabilization



Shoreline Permit Process

When is a Shoreline Permit Required?

All proposed uses, activities, or development occurring within shoreline jurisdiction must meet the requirements of federal, state, and local laws and the County's SMP, whether or not a shoreline permit or other form of authorization is required. Permits help the County track development and uses in the shoreline to make sure the program requirements are being met. The following list comprises the types of shoreline permits: Shoreline Substantial Development Permit; Shoreline Conditional Use Permit; Shoreline Variance Permit; and Shoreline Authorization/Exemption.

Typical Activities Requiring a Shoreline Permit

A Shoreline Substantial Development Permit is typically required for a project that proposes to undertake a substantial development within the shoreline jurisdiction. A substantial development is any development of which the total cost or fair market value exceeds \$6,416 or as adjusted by the State Office of Financial Management, or any development which materially interferes with the normal public use of the water or shorelines of the state.

A Conditional Use Permit is needed if a proposed use is listed as a conditional use in Table 14.15.360 or if the SMP does not address the use. Conditional Use Permits may be required for uses such as dredging, in-water fill and excavation, and boat launches in Natural and Conservancy environment designations

A Variance Permit is used to allow a project to deviate from an SMP's dimensional standards (e.g., setback, height, or impervious surface coverage requirements). A variance proposal must meet variance criteria found in state rule and be consistent with other environment and use requirements. See 14.15.125 for variance criteria.

Exemptions

Certain types of developments are exempt from substantial development permit requirements, per 14.15.510. Except for existing agricultural activities, all proposed uses, activities, or development occurring within shoreline jurisdiction that are exempt from substantial development permits must still comply with the SMP and all development standards (i.e., setbacks and other regulations in the County's SMP).

Except for emergency developments pursuant to WAC 173-27-040(2)(d), all requests for an exemption from a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit shall be made to the Okanogan County Planning Department. Letters of exemption shall be issued by the Shoreline Administrative Official when an exemption applies or when a letter of exemption is required by the provisions of WAC 173-27-050.

The types of activities that are exempt include, but are not limited to:

- Total cost or fair market value does not exceed \$6,416.00, or updated OFM limit
- Normal maintenance or repair of existing structures
- Owner-occupied, single-family residences and appurtenant structures

- Construction and practices normal or necessary for farming, irrigation, drainage, and ranching activities, including service roads and utilities (see Agriculture section)
- Emergency construction to protect property from the elements
- Building bulkheads to protect existing single-family residences and appurtenant structures (See Shoreline Stabilization section)
- Habitat improvements, toxic waste cleanup, weed control, or watershed restoration
- Dock construction designed for pleasure craft that is valued at less than \$10,000 and meets other conditions (See Dock section)
- Operation, maintenance, repair, or construction of canals, waterways, and other facilities as part of an irrigation system
- Site exploration and investigation activities
- Building navigation aids, marking property lines

Shoreline Permit Application Requirements

In order to review and act on your proposal, your application must include the following information:

- 1. The name, address and phone number of the applicant/proponent, applicant's representative, agent on behalf of the owner, and /or property owner if different from the applicant/proponent.
- 2. The applicant/proponent should be the owner of the property or an authorized agent. A landowner/agent consent form will be required with the application.
- 3. The property address and identification of the section, township and range to the nearest quarter, quarter section or latitude and longitude to the nearest minute. All applications for projects located in open water areas away from land shall provide a longitude and latitude location.
- 4. Identification of the name of the shoreline (water body) that the site of the proposal is associated with and the shoreline designation.
- 5. A general description of the property as now exists including its use, physical and ecological characteristics, existing improvements and existing structures.
- 6. A general description of the vicinity of the proposed project including identification of the adjacent uses, structures and improvements, intensity of development and physical characteristics.
- 7. The boundary of the parcel(s) of land upon which the development is proposed. A survey may be required where substantial questions exist regarding the location of property lines or other important features.
- 8. The ordinary high water mark of all water bodies located adjacent to or within the boundary of the project. This may be an approximate location provided, that for any development where a determination of consistency with the applicable regulations requires a precise location of the ordinary high water mark the mark shall be located precisely and the biological and hydrological basis for the location as indicated on the plans shall be included in the development plan.

- Where the ordinary high water mark is neither adjacent to or within the boundary of the project, the plan shall indicate the distance and direction to the nearest ordinary high water mark of a shoreline.
- 9. Existing and proposed land contours. The contours shall be at intervals sufficient to accurately determine the existing character of the property and the extent of proposed change to the land that is necessary for the development. Areas within the boundary that will not be altered by the development may be indicated as such and contours approximated for that area.
- 10. Existing Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation areas as designated in 14.15.110 together with any supporting information consistent with the reporting requirements of 14.15.430(C).
- 11. A general indication of the character of vegetation found on the site
- 12. The dimensions and locations of all existing and proposed structures and improvements including but not limited to; buildings, paved or graveled areas, roads, utilities, septic tanks and drain fields, material stockpiles or surcharge, and storm water management facilities.
- 13. A delineation of all wetland areas that will be altered or used as a part of the development.
- 14. Where applicable, landscaping plans for the project. Where applicable, plans for development of areas on or off the site as mitigation for impacts associated with the proposed project shall be included and contain information consistent with the requirements of this section.
- 15. Quantity, source and composition of any fill material that is placed on the site whether temporary or permanent.
- 16. Quantity, composition and destination of any excavated or dredged material.
- 17. A vicinity map showing the relationship of the property and proposed development or use to roads, utilities, existing developments and uses on adjacent properties.
- 18. Where applicable, a depiction of the impacts to views from existing residential uses and public areas.
- 19. Where applicable, habitat management report and mitigation plans in accordance sections 14.15.430(B) and 14.15.430(C).
- 20. On all variance applications the plans shall clearly indicate where development could occur without approval of a variance, the physical features and circumstances on the property that provide a basis for the request, and the location of adjacent structures and uses.
- 21. A site plan identifying existing conditions consisting of photographs, text, maps and elevation drawings, drawn to an appropriate scale to clearly depict all required information that shall include: Operation and maintenance plan(s) as required pursuant to other applicable sections of this program.

Example Site Plan Drawing

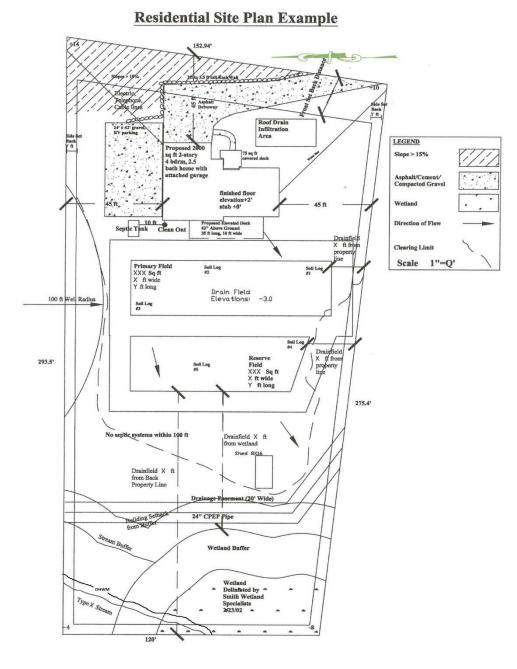


Figure 2: Residential Site Plan Example.

Additional specific information may be required depending on the nature of the proposal and the presence of sensitive ecological features or issues related to compliance with other County requirements and the provisions of this SMP.

Shoreline Permit Review Steps

- 1. Pre-application review where applicable
- 2. Plan review
- 3. Determination of completeness
- 4. Notice of application (SEPA if applicable)
- 5. Application review
- 6. Notice of final decision

How Long Does a Shoreline Permit Take?

Shoreline permits are generally processed within 120 days. Additional time for the Washington State Department of Ecology review process and appeal period are required as summarized in Figure X.

Ecology - Review/Appeal Period Substantial Development Permit Appeal Period: 21 days Appeal period ends 21 days from the Local Review date that Ecology receives the local government's decision. Permit Within 120 days Conditional Use Permit or Variance Review: Within 30 days Appeal Period: 21 days Ecology shall review permit within Appeal period ends 21 days from 30 days of the date of submittal by the the date that Ecology's decision is County pursuant to WAC 173-27-110. transmitted to the local government.

Shoreline Permit Review Timeline

Other Permits Required

A project or development may require additional permits such as:

- Washington State Department of Ecology Water Quality Certification
- Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Hydraulic Project Approval
- Lease from Washington State Department of Natural Resources
- Federal U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit for work in navigable waters of the United States

Appendix A

Use and Activity Table

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Aquatic ^(b)	Natural	Conservan	Rural	Urban Conservan	Shoreline Residential
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X	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
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Uses and Activities	Aquatic ^(b)	Natural	Conservancy	Rural	Urban Conservancy	Shoreline Residential
Floats	S	A	A	A	A	A
Mining						
Surface Mining Other Mining	S S	X X	SCUP SCUP	SCUP SCUP	X X	X X
Mineral Prospecting and Placer Mining	A	A	A	A	A	A
Outdoor Advertising, Sig	ns and					
Billboards						
Commercial Signs Public Highway, Safety,	X	X	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Directional and Informational Signs	SCUP	A	A	A	A	A
Residential						
Exempt single family dwellings ¹	X	SCUP	A	A	A	A
Non-exempt single family dwellings (e.g. seasonal or	X	SCUP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
year round rentals) Multi-family	X	SCUP	SCUP	A	SDP	A
Utilities	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~	~~~
Primary	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Accessory	A	A	A	A	A	A
Industry	COLID	COLID	CDD	CDD	CDD	CDD
Water-dependent	SCUP	SCUP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Water-related Non-water Oriented	X X	X X	SDP SCUP	SDP SCUP	SDP SCUP	SDP SCUP
Shoreline Modifications	Λ	Λ	3001	SCUI	SCUI	SCUI
Dikes/levees	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP
Breakwaters, groins and jetties	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP
Dredging and Material Disposal ²	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP	SCUP
Filling ³	SCUP	SCUP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP

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¹ RCW 90.58.030(3)(e)(vi) Construction on shorelands by an owner, lessee, or contract purchaser of a single family residence <u>for his own use or for the use of his or her family</u>, which residence does not exceed a height of thirty-five feet above average grade level and which meets all requirements of the state agency or Okanogan County, other than requirements imposed pursuant to this chapter

² All dredging shall be the minimum required to support an existing permitted or proposed allowed use and shall be subject to a conditional use permit.

Uses and Activities	Aquatic ^(b)	Natural	Conservancy	Rural	Urban Conservancy	Shoreline Residential
Clearing and Grading ⁴	X	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Bulkheads and revetments	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Shoreline Stabilization						
Hardening, Structural approaches	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Bioengineering approaches	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Shoreline Restoration and Enhancement ⁵	S	A	A	A	A	A
Transportation						
Railroads	S	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Roads	S	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP	SDP
Archaeological, Cultural,	, Educat	ional,				
Historic and Scientific Re	esources					
Archaeological Areas,						
Scientific, Educational and	A	A	A	A	A	A
Historic Sites						
Recreation						
High Intensity	S	SCUP	SDP	A	A	A
Low Intensity / Passive	S	SDP	A	A	A	A

A=Allowed but will require exemption or Substantial Development Permit depending on fair market value and/or intensity of use or activity, or designation specific requirements. SDP= Shoreline Substantial Development Permit. SCUP= Shoreline Conditional Use Permit. X= Prohibited. S= Same as in adjacent shoreline designation landward of the OHWM (applicable to Aquatic designation only).

³ All fill is ONLY ALOWED TO the minimum amount NECESSARY for existing permitted or proposed allowed uses which may require a SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT permit.

⁴ Clearing and grading that is not part of an allowed and permitted shoreline use shall require a conditional use permit except on properties physically separated from the shoreline by another property or public right of way.

⁵ Restoration and enhancement projects may require a Substantial Development Permit.

Okanogan County Native Plants List

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Useful websites:

Okanogan Conservation District - http://okanogancd.org/plants.html

Methow Valley Native Plant assemblies - http://www.okanogan1.com/ecology/plantgeog.htm'

Okanogan County Washington State University Extension Office - http://okanogan.wsu.edu/mg/

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Native Landscape Structure Plants Okanogan County

Conifer Chrubs(CC)	Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Туре
Conifer Shrubs(CS)	Juniperus communis Taxus brevifolia	Mountain juniper Western yew	Cupressaceae Taxaceae	cs cs
	Tsuga mertensiana	Mountain hemlock	Pinaceae	CS
Decidous Shrubs (DS)				
	Amelanchier alnifolia	Serviceberry	Rosaceae	DS
	Amelanchier utahensis	Utah serviceberry	Rosaceae	DS
	Ceanothus sanguineus	Redstem ceanothus	Rhamnaceae	DS
	Ceanothus velutinus	Snowbrush	Rhamnaceae	DS
	Celtis reticulata	Hackberry	Ulmaceae	DS
	Cornus canadensis	Bunchberry	Comaceae	DS
	Cornus nuttallii	Pacific dogwood	Comaceae	DS
	Cornus stolonifera	Red-osier dogwood	Comaceae	DS
	Crataegus chrysocarpa	Fireberry hawthorn	Rosaceae	DS
	Crataegus columbiana	Columbia hawthorn	Rosaceae	DS
	Crataegus douglasii	Black hawthorn	Rosaceae	DS
	Crataegus okennonii	Hawthorn	Rosaceae	DS
	Elaeagnus commutata	Silverberry	Elaeagnaceae	DS
	Kalmia microphylla	Alpine laurel	Ericaceae	DS
	Lonicera involucrata	Black twinberry	Caprifoliaceae	DS
	Lonicera utahensis	Utah honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae	DS
	Philadelphus lewisii	Mock-orange	Hydrangeaceae	DS
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Phyllodoce empetriformis	Red mountain heather	Ericaceae	DS
Phyllodoce glanduliflora	Yellow heather	Ericaceae	DS
Phyllodoce intermedia	Hybrid mountain heather	Ericaceae	DS
Physocarpus malvaceus	Mallow ninebark	Rosaceae	DS
Prunus emarginata	Bitter cherry	Rosaceae	DS
Prunus virginiana	Chokecherry	Rosaceae	DS
Rhamnus alnifolia	Alder buckthorn	Rhamnaceae	DS
Rhododendron albiflorum	White rhododendron	Ericaceae	DS
Rhus glabra	Sumac	Anacardiaceae	DS
Ribes cereum	Wax currant	Grossulariaceae	DS
Ribes howellii	Maple-leaf currant	Grossulariaceae	DS
Ribes lacustre	Prickly current	Grossulariaceae	DS
Ribes oxyacanthoides	Northern gooseberry	Grossulariaceae	DS
Ribes viscosissimum	Sticky current	Grossulariaceae	DS
Ribes watsonianum	Watson gooseberry	Grossulariaceae	DS
Rosa gymnocarpa	Baldhip rose	Rosaceae	DS
Shepherdia canadensis	Buffalo berry	Elaeagnaceae	DS
Spiraea betulifolia	Birch-leafed spirea	Rosaceae	DS
Spiraea densiflora	Rosy spirea	Rosaceae	DS
Spiraea douglasii	Hardhack	Rosaceae	DS
Spiraea pyramidata	Pyramid spiraea	Rosaceae	DS
Symphoricarpos albus	Common snowberry	Caprifoliaceae	DS
Symphoricarpos occidentalis	Western snowberry	Caprifoliaceae	DS
Symphoricarpos oreophilus	Mountain snowberry	Caprifoliaceae	DS

Evergreen Shrubs (ES)

Artemesia arbuscula	Low sagebrush	Asteraceae	ES
Artemesia biennis	Biennial wormwood	Asteraceae	ES
Artemesia campestris	Northern wormwood	Asteraceae	ES
Artemesia rigida	Stiff sagebrush	Asteraceae	ES
Artemesia tripartita	Three-tip sagebrush	Asteraceae	ES
Berberis aquifolium	Tall Oregongrape	Berberidaceae	ES
Berberis nervosa	Cascade Oregongrape	Berberidaceae	ES
Cassiope mertensiana	White mountain heather	Ericaceae	ES
	Four-angled mountain		
Cassiope tetragona	heather	Ericaceae	ES
Pachistima myrsinites	Mountain box	Celastraceae	ES
Vaccinium deliciosum	Cascade huckleberry	Ericaceae	ES
Vaccinium membranaceum	Mountain huckleberry	Ericaceae	ES
Vaccinium myrtilloides	Velvet-leaf huckleberry	Ericaceae	ES
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	Viburnum edule	Highbush cranberry	Caprifoliaceae	ES
Conifer Trees(CT)				
	Abies amabilis	Pacific silver fir	Pinaceae	CT
	Abies grandis	Grand fir	Pinaceae	CT
	Abies lasiocarpa	Sub-alpine fir	Pinaceae	CT
	Juniperus scopulorum	Rocky Mountain juniper	Cupressaceae	СТ
	Larix lyallii	Subalpine larch	Pinaceae	CT
	Larix occidentalis	Western larch	Pinaceae	CT
	Picea engalmannii	Engelmann spruce	Pinaceae	CT
	Picea glauca	White spruce	Pinaceae	CT
	Pinus albicaulis	White-bark pine	Pinaceae	CT
	Pinus contorta	Lodgepole pine	Pinaceae	CT
	Pinus monticola	Western white pine	Pinaceae	CT
	Pinus ponderosa	Ponderosa pine	Pinaceae	CT
	Pseudotsuga menziesii	Douglas fir	Pinaceae	CT
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	Thuja plicata	Western red cedar	Cupressaceae	Н
Decidous Trees (DT)				
	Acer glabrum	Douglas maple	Aceraceae	DT
	Acer macrophyllum	Big-leaf maple	Aceraceae	DT
	Alnus incana	Mountain alder	Betulaceae	DT
	Alnus sinuata	Sitka alder	Betulaceae	DT
	Betula glandulosa	Bog birch	Betulaceae	DT
	Betula occidentalis	Water birch	Betulaceae	DT
	Betula papyrifera	Paper birch	Betulaceae	DT
	Populus tremuloides	Quaking aspen	Salicaceae	DT
	Populus trichocarpa	Black cottonwood	Salicaceae	DT
	Sorbus scopulina	Cascade mountain-ash	Rosaceae	DT
	Sorbus sitchensis	Sitka mountain-ash	Rosaceae	DT
Ground Covers(GC)				
,	Arctostaphylos nevadensis	Kinnikinnik	Ericaceae	GC
	Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Bearberry	Ericaceae	GC
	Berberis repens	Creeping Oregongrape	Berberidaceae	GC
	Gaultheria humifusa	Alpine wintergreen	Ericaceae	GC
	Sedum divergens	Spreading stonecrop	Crassulaceae	GC
	Sedum lanceolatum	Lance-leaved stonecrop	Crassulaceae	GC
	Sedum roseum	King's crown	Crassulaceae	GC
	Sedum stenopetalum	Worm-leaf stonecrop	Crassulaceae	GC
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Native Landscape Detail Plants Okanogan County				
Annuals(A)	Scientific Name	Common Name	Family	Туре
, ,	Erysimum arenicola	Mountain wallflower	Brassicaceae	Α
	Nemophila breviflora	Great Basin nemophila	Hydrophyllaceae	Α
Bulbs (BU)				
	Anemone drummondii	Drummond's anemone	Ranunculaceae	BU
	Anemone multifida	Cliff anemone	Ranunculaceae	BU
	Anemone occidentalis	Mountain pasqueflower	Ranunculaceae	BU
	Anemone parviflora	Northern anemone	Ranunculaceae	BU
	Erythronium grandiflorum	Glacier lily	Liliaceae	BU
	Fritillaria lanceolata	Chocolate lily	Liliaceae	BU
	Fritillaria pudica	Yellow bell	Liliaceae	BU
	Lilium columbianum	Tiger lily	Liliaceae	BU
Edible Plant	s (ED)			
	Rubus acaulis	Nagoonberry	Rosaceae	ED
	Rubus idaeus	Red raspberry	Rosaceae	ED
	Rubus lasiococcus	Dwarf bramble	Rosaceae	ED
	Rubus leucodermis	Blackcap	Rosaceae	ED
	Rubus parviflorus	Thimbleberry	Rosaceae	ED
	Rubus pedatus	Strawberry bramble	Rosaceae	ED
	Rubus spectabilis	Salmonberry	Rosaceae	ED
Ground Cov	ers (GC)			
	Fragaria vesca	Wild strawberry	Rosaceae	GC
	Fragaria virginiana	Woods strawberry	Rosaceae	GC
	Galium aparine	Cleavers	Rubiaceae	GC
	Galium bifolium	Low mountain bedstraw	Rubiaceae	GC
	Galium boreale	Northern bedstraw	Rubiaceae	GC
	Galium serpenticum	Intermountain bedstraw	Rubiaceae	GC
	Galium trifidum	Small bedstraw	Rubiaceae	GC

Creeping snowberry

Dwarf bilberry

Low bilberry

Symphoricarpos mollis

Vaccinium caespitosum

Vaccinium myrtillus

Caprifoliaceae

Ericaceae

Ericaceae

GC

GC

GC

Galium triflorum Physostegia parviflora Veronica cusickii	Fragrant bedstraw Purple dragon-head Cusick's speedwell	Rubiaceae Lamiaceae Scrophulariaceae	GC GC
Veronica peregrina	Purslane speedwell	Scrophulariaceae	GC
Veronica scuttelata	Marsh speedwell	Scrophulariaceae	GC
Veronica serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaf speedwell	Scrophulariaceae	GC
Veronica wormskjoldii	Alpine speedwell	Scrophulariaceae	GC
Perennials (P)			
Abronia umbellata	Pink sandverbena	Nyctaginaceae	P
Antennaria alpina	Alpine pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria anaphaloides	Tall pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria dimorpha	Low pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria flagellaris	Stolonous pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria lanata	Woolly pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria luzuloides	Woodrush pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria microphylla	Rosy pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria neglecta	Field pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria parvifolia	Nuttall's pussytoes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria pulcherrima	Showy pussytoes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria racemosa	Raceme pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Antennaria umbrinella	Umber pussy-toes	Asteraceae	P
Aquilegia flavescens	Golden columbine	Ranunculaceae	P
Aquilegia formosa	Red columbine	Ranunculaceae	P
Arabis divaricarpa	Spreadingpod rockcress	Brassicaceae	P
Arabis drummondii	Drummond's rockcress	Brassicaceae	P
Arabis hirsuta	Hairy rockcress	Brassicaceae	P
Arabis holboellii	Holboell's rockcress	Brassicaceae	P
Arabis lemmonii	Lemmon's rockcress	Brassicaceae	P
Arabis lyallii	Lyall's rockcress	Brassicaceae	P
Arabis microphylla	Small-leaf rockcress	Brassicaceae	Р
Arabis nuttallii	Nuttall's rockcress	Brassicaceae	P

Sicklepod rockcress

Franklin's sandwort

Serpentine stichwort

Bluntleaf sandwort

Big-leaf sandwort

Thread-leaved sandwort

Dense-flowered sandwort

Hoary rockcress

Arabis puberula

Arabis sparsiflora

Arenaria capillaris Arenaria congesta

Arenaria franklinii

Arenaria laricifolia

Arenaria lateriflora Arenaria macrophylla Р

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Arenaria obtusiloba	Arctic sandwort	Caryophyllaceae	P
Arenaria rubella	Reddish sandwort	Caryophyllaceae	Ρ
Artemesia douglasiana	Douglas' sagewort	Asteraceae	Ρ
Artemesia lindleyana	Columbia River mugwort	Asteraceae	P
Artemesia ludoviciana	Western mugwort	Asteraceae	P
Artemesia michauxiana	Michaux mugwort	Asteraceae	P
Artemesia norvegica	Mountain sagewort	Asteraceae	P
Artemesia tilesii	Aleutian mugwort	Asteraceae	Ρ
Balsamorhiza sagittata	Arrow-leaf balsamroot	Asteraceae	P
Calypso bulbosa	Fairy slipper	Orchidaceae	Ρ
Campanula rotundifolia	Common harebell	Campanulaceae	Р
Castilleja cervina	Deer paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	P
Castilleja cusickii	Cusick's paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	P
Castilleja elmeri	Elmer's paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	P
Castilleja exilis	Alkali paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	Р
Castilleja hispida	Harsh paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	Р
Castilleja miniata	Scarlet paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	Р
Castilleja parviflora albida	Small-flowered paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
Castilleja parviflora oreopola	Magenta paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	P
Castilleja rhexifolia	Rhexia-leafed paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
Castilleja thompsonii	Thompson's paintbrush	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
Chrysopsis villosa	Hairy golden-aster	Asteraceae	Ρ
Coreopsis atkinsoniana	Columbia tickseed	Asteraceae	P
Eriogonum compositum	Northern buckwheat	Polygonaceae	Ρ
Eriogonum elatum	Tall buckwheat	Polygonaceae	P
Eriogonum heracleoides	Parsnip-flowered buckwheat	Polygonaceae	P
Eriogonum niveum	Snow buckwheat	Polygonaceae	Ρ
Eriogonum ovalifolium	Oval-leaf buckwheat	Polygonaceae	P
Eriogonum pyrolifolium	Alpine buckwheat	Polygonaceae	Ρ
Eriogonum strictum	Strict buckwheat	Polygonaceae	Р
Eriogonum thymoides	Thyme-leaf buckwheat	Polygonaceae	Р
Eriogonum umbellatum	Sulfur buckwheat	Polygonaceae	P
Gaillardia aristata	Blanket-flower	Asteraceae	Ρ
Geranium bicknellii	Bicknell's geranium	Geraniaceae	Ρ
Geranium carolinianum	Wild geranium	Geraniaceae	Ρ
Geranium viscosissimum	Sticky geranium	Geraniaceae	Ρ
Linum perenne	Wild blue-flax	Linaceae	Ρ
Oenothera andina	Tiny evening-primrose	Onagraceae	Р
Oenothera contorta	Bentpod evening-primrose	Onagraceae	Р
Oenothera hilgardii	Hilgard's evening-primrose	Onagraceae	Р
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	Oenothera hookeri	Hooker's evening-primrose White-stemmed evening	Onagraceae	P
	Oenothera pallida	primrose	Onagraceae	Р
	Penstemon davidsonii	Davidson's penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon deustus	Hot-rock penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Р
	Penstemon diphyllus	Two-leaf penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon fruticosus	Shrubby penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon gairdneri	Gairdner's penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	P
	Penstemon glandulosus	Glandular penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Р
	Penstemon payettensis	Payette penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Р
	Penstemon procerus	Small-flowered penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon pruinosus	Chelan penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Р
	Penstemon richardsonii	Richardson's penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Р
	Penstemon rydbergii	Rydberg's penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	P
	Penstemon serrulatus	Cascade penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon speciosus	Showy penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon venustus	Blue mountain penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Ρ
	Penstemon washingtonensis	Washington penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	Р
	Salvia dorrii	Gray ball sage	Lamiaceae	Ρ
	Viola glabella	Stream violet	Violaceae	Ρ
	Viola macloskeyi	Small white violet	Violaceae	Р
	Viola nephrophylla	Northern bog violet	Violaceae	Р
	Viola nuttallii	Yellow prairie violet	Violaceae	Ρ
	Viola orbiculata	Round-leaved violet	Violaceae	Р
	Viola palustris	Marsh violet	Violaceae	Ρ
	Viola purpurea	Goosefoot violet	Violaceae	Ρ
	Viola selkirkii	Selkirk's violet	Violaceae	Ρ
	Viola sempervirens	Evergreen violet	Violaceae	Ρ
Vines (V)				
	Clematis columbiana	Columbia virgin's bower	Ranunculaceae	V
	Clematis lingusticifolia	Virgin's bower	Ranunculaceae	٧
	Lathyrus ochroleucus	Cream-flowered peavine	Fabaceae	V

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