



## Executive Summary

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**Department:** Community Development  
**Issue Title:** Kitsap County Buildable Lands Update  
**Meeting Date:** January 27, 2021  
**Time Required:** 60 minutes  
**Attendees:** Jeff Rimack, Angie Silva, Dave Ward, Liz Williams

### **Action Requested at This Meeting:**

No action requested – DCD will provide a status update on the Buildable Lands Program

### **Background**

Kitsap County, in coordination with local cities, is updating its Buildable Lands Program pursuant to the requirements set forth in the State's Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A.215 and WAC 365-196-315. The Growth Management Act requires Kitsap County and its cities to issue a Buildable Lands Report once every eight years. This is one of the first steps counties and cities take prior to updating their Comprehensive Plans, which for Kitsap County is due in June 2024. The purpose and scope of the Buildable Lands Program and subsequent report is to:

- look back at development trends between 2013 and 2019 to review consistency with local policies and plans;
- look forward and evaluate if there is sufficient land supply to accommodate planned population and employment growth, and
- identify reasonable measures, if necessary, to address any inconsistencies that may be identified by the review and evaluation.

In addition to the requirements in state law, Kitsap's Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) require local jurisdictions to use an agreed-upon methodology for the forward-looking Land Capacity Analysis (LCA) to determine if there is adequate land supply. At this briefing, DCD will provide an update on the preliminary LCA framework jurisdictions are considering for this process. This framework takes into consideration new statutory requirements passed by the state legislature in 2017 (SB 5254). For example, counties and cities are now required to evaluate and identify lands subject to infrastructure gaps including but not limited to transportation, water, sewer, and stormwater. (RCW 36.70A.215 (3)(b)(i)).

DCD will also provide an overview of recent and upcoming outreach efforts since the Board's last briefing on December 16, 2020:

- January 4, 2021 – Quarterly Tribal Coordination--*Completed*
- January 5, 2021 – Manchester Citizen Advisory Committee--*Completed*
- January 7, 2021 – Kitsap Building Association Developers Council--*Completed*
- January 7, 2021 – Suquamish Citizen Advisory Committee--*Completed*
- January 12, 2021 – Kitsap Economic Development Alliance--*Completed*
- January 12, 2021 – City of Port Orchard Coordination--*Completed*
- January 19, 2021 – City of Bremerton Coordination--*Completed*
- January 22, 2021 – City of Port Orchard Coordination—*Completed*
- January 26, 2021 – Department Advisory Group--*Completed*
- January 26, 2021 – City of Bremerton Coordination—*Completed*
- January 27, 2021 – Board of County Commissioners Briefing
- January 28, 2021 – City of Poulsbo Coordination
- January 29, 2021 – Kitsap Building Association Small Work Group Discussion
- February 2, 2021 – Planning Commission Briefing
- February 9, 2021 – All City/County Jurisdiction Coordination Meeting #3