

NEWS RELEASE

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**MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SUN

RE: Public Review for Hazardous Waste Plan

Under RCW 70.95, Counties have the responsibility to develop a Hazardous Waste Plan. This Plan identifies the specific topic of household hazardous waste, and was last updated in 1991. Historically, this document has been a stand-alone Plan, separate from the Solid Waste Management Plan. As a result of the Solid Waste Plan being amended, now is an opportunity to both approve the Hazardous Waste Plan and incorporate it to the Solid Waste Plan as a chapter, and as part of the amendment process.

In order to approve and adopt this Plan, a public review process allows 120 days for the proposal to be considered by citizens of Mason County, as well as the Department of Ecology. A Public Hearing following this 120 day period will be held as an open forum to discuss the proposed amendment.

This proposed Plan will be available online through the County website, as well as at the area libraries. Comments and questions should be directed to David Baker, Solid Waste Manager for Mason County at 427-7771, 275-4467 x771 from the Belfair area or davidb@co.mason.wa.us. People are also welcome to attend the meetings of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, which occur in Building 1 at 6 PM on the second Thursday of each month. Information about the Committee can be found on the County website under Advisory Committees.

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