

**NEWS RELEASE**  
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**MASON COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
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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: Mason County Historic Maritime Resources Survey and Inventory Request for Proposals

The Mason County Historic Preservation Commission is pleased to announce that proposals are being accepted from qualified candidates to conduct a Historic Maritime Resources Survey and Inventory.

Mason County recently received a grant from Washington State Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation to assist in the research and documentation of maritime related historic buildings, structures, objects and sites primarily associated with water transportation routes related to the movement of passengers, agricultural and forest products, mail and general cargo within the confines of Mason County waterways from the pre contact era to circa 1967.

Mason County has over 217 miles of marine shoreline and a rich maritime history filled with a colorful and important link to the development and the collective story the county. The survey project was developed to identify and document those resources before they disappear. The current phase of the project will be focusing on the North Bay area of the county and will include opportunities for public input and education. To learn more please visit the MCHPC website at <http://www.co.mason.wa.us/historic/index.php> or visit at the regular scheduled meeting on the second Thursday of each month.

For additional information for submission of proposals please visit the MCHPC website for details or contact Mr. Michael MacSems at 427-9670 ext. 571.