

NEWS RELEASE
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MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
411 NORTH 5TH ST
SHELTON, WA 98584

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: Hood Canal Coordinating Council Citizen Advisory Group

The Hood Canal Coordinating Council (HCCC) is seeking members to serve on their local Citizen Advisory Group (CAG) tasked with evaluating and guiding salmon recovery proposals within the Hood Canal and the eastern Strait of Juan de Fuca region as part of the HCCC Lead Entity Program for Salmon Recovery. The Citizens Advisory Group reviews salmon habitat restoration and protection project proposals according to social, cultural and economic values as they apply to salmon recovery. Successful candidates are interested citizens who understand salmon recovery issues, have knowledge of area watersheds, the ability to respect diverse viewpoints, work collaboratively with area tribes, state and local governments, and bring a "big picture" approach.

This is a volunteer position with an expected participation in monthly meetings, attendance at presentation and evaluation meetings March 30 and 31 and attend three consecutive days of site visits in May, tentatively scheduled for May 31. The term will be up to three years.

The Citizens Advisory Group is made up of no more than 15 seats comprised of:

- 1) Up to two representatives of landowners and citizens from each HCCC member government respective jurisdictions;
- 2) Up to two representatives of the North Olympic Peninsula Lead Entity (NOPE);
- 3) Any remaining open seats are to be recommended by HCCC staff working with recovery partners to meet the representative requirements in RCW 077.085.

More information about the HCCC Lead Entity Program can be found at:
[Http://hccc.wa.gov/Salmon+Recovery/LeadEntity/default.aspx](http://hccc.wa.gov/Salmon+Recovery/LeadEntity/default.aspx)

Application forms may be obtained from the Commissioners Office, 427-9670 or 275-44567, ext. 419 or visit our website at www.co.mason.wa.us. Applications will be accepted until Friday, March 13 and should be submitted to the Mason County Commissioners, 411 N. 5th, Shelton, WA 98584.


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Chair


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