



COMMENT PERIOD ON PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT

Following release of the **Public Review Draft** of the **2016 Comprehensive Plan** on November 6, King County hosted five community meetings. Approximately two hundred people attended and discussed the draft. The meeting agendas included open house time for attendees to talk to County staff, an interactive presentation where attendees asked questions and made comments, and time for discussion of issues other than the Comprehensive Plan.

The discussions at each of the meetings varied. Some focused primarily on the proposed policy amendments with a lot of dialogue about annexation, the environment, affordable housing, homelessness and social equity issues. Other meetings focused on the site-specific land use proposals, particularly those associated with proposed changes to the urban growth area.



Staff has posted the presentation on the Comprehensive Plan website, and will provide a summary of all of the meetings as well as a verbatim record of all written comments when the Executive Recommended Plan is transmitted to the County Council at the beginning of March 2016.

Additional Proposal: Removal of Cougar Mountain North PAA

On December 8, the City of Issaquah submitted a letter to King County requesting that the East Cougar Mountain area be removed from the City's Potential Annexation Area. The letter states that after review by the City in its most recent comprehensive plan update, as well as discussions with the City of Bellevue dating back until 2007, the City of Issaquah is not interested in annexation and would like the 776-acre area removed from the urban growth area boundary.

King County is working to schedule a public meeting in the local area, likely during the week of January 18 to 22, to solicit community input on this request before the Executive Recommended Plan is transmitted in March. The **date and location of the meeting** will be posted on the Comprehensive Plan website as soon as it is finalized.

Share Your Thoughts until January 6

The extended public comment period goes until **January 6**. After this, comments will be carefully reviewed and the Executive Recommended Plan transmitted to the Council on March 1, 2016.

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