

## **9. UTILITIES- SEWER EXTENSION OUTSIDE UGA**

Clearly state in the Comprehensive Plan that sewer service will not be extended outside of the Urban Growth Area (UGA).

### **Summary of Comments**

One commenter suggests that the Plan state that sewer will not be extended outside the UGA.

### **Council Direction of August 12, 2014**

Council broadly asked staff to review Utilities chapter related public comments and consider whether any clarifications are needed, and they further specified that they did not want to consider revisions pertaining to the recently adopted Wastewater Management Plan.

### **Staff Analysis**

The City does not provide sewer service outside of the sewer service area. In Chapter 2 of the 2013 Wastewater Management Plan, the City sewer service area is defined as, *“The Wastewater Utility’s Sewer Service Area (see Figure 2.1) includes the 17.5 square miles of the City, its Urban Growth Area (UGA) (approximately eight square miles in unincorporated Thurston County), several areas in the Cities of Tumwater and Lacey for which service area agreements have been executed, and a small area outside its western UGA which received sewer service before the City’s UGA boundaries were established under the Growth Management Act”*.

As shown in the above definition, stating that sewer service cannot be extended outside the UGA is too narrow of a statement; however, Council could choose to add a new policy that is in alignment with the 2013 Wastewater Management Plan.

### **Text of Public Hearing Draft**

None, this would add a new policy.

### **Staff Proposed Clarification**

Council could choose to add the following new policy:

PU8.9: Provide City sewer service only to areas within Olympia’s sewer service area.

### **Alternative**

None proposed.