

Draft Comprehensive Plan Policies Addressing Sea Level Rise

Natural Environment Chapter:

GN5 The City has used best available information to devise and implement a sea level rise strategy.

PN5.1 Evaluate all options, including retreat, to deal with the impacts of sea level rise in Olympia.

PN5.2 Consider different scenarios for varying amounts of sea level rise, and the accompanying adaptation and response options for each scenario.

PN5.3 Perform a cost-benefit analysis for each adaptation strategy. Consider the physical, environmental and social factors as well as costs in the analysis.

PN5.4 Evaluate different financing options for adaptation strategies.


PN5.5 Use the best available science and the experiences of other municipalities in formulating future plans for sea level rise.

PN5.6 Engage the community in a discussion of the different mitigation scenarios and adaptation strategies and response and cost.

Utilities Chapter:

GU11 The City has used best available information to devise and implement a sea level rise strategy.

PU11.1 Develop plans and cost estimates for protection and adaptation strategies to sea-level rise that include regulatory, engineering and natural solutions.

PU11.2 Coordinate with other key stakeholders, such as downtown businesses, [LOTT Clean Water Alliance](#) , the Port of Olympia, environmental groups, downtown residents, and other public interest groups.

PU11.3 Incorporate flexibility and resiliency into public and private infrastructure in areas predicted to be affected.

PU11.4 Maintain public control of downtown shorelines that may be needed to serve flood management functions.

PU11.5 Engage the community in a discussion of the different mitigation scenarios, adaptation strategies, and costs