

**Beyond Armwaving and Anecdotes:  
Are your critical areas ordinances being implemented effectively?  
Southwest Region Critical Areas Monitoring & Adaptive Management Workshop**

**Date:** April 11, 2018

**Time:** 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM (registration will begin at 9:00 AM; workshop activities start at 9:30)

**Please note NEW Location:** Berger-ABAM, 210 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 300, Vancouver, WA 98660

**Definition of Critical Areas Monitoring:** In the context of this workshop, “critical areas monitoring” consists of tracking permit implementation and/or compliance with permit mitigation requirements.

**Definition of Adaptive Management:** In the context of this workshop, “adaptive management” consists of revising your permit processes based on an evaluation of permit implementation or compliance. For example, changes to application forms, training staff, administrative interpretation, or regulations.

**Purposes:** The purposes of these workshops are to...

- Introduce the concept of critical areas monitoring and adaptive management to better track permit implementation and compliance with permit mitigation requirements;
- Review the steps to monitor and adaptively manage critical areas ordinances;
- Provide best practices from local planners; and
- Demonstrate tools for how to monitor critical areas regulations.

Please note that this workshop will **not** focus on how to monitor the ecological impacts of critical areas regulations or the success of mitigation sites (“ecological validation monitoring”). See page 2 for the agenda.

**Questions to Consider Prior to the Workshop:** Prior to the workshop, please consider the following questions and consult your colleagues in your jurisdiction if needed:

- What does your jurisdiction do, if anything, to follow through on critical areas permit compliance (i.e., what are your “feedback loops” for permit implementation)?
- In your jurisdiction, are there approaches for monitoring critical areas that work well or don’t work well?
- What are priority compliance topics that would benefit from an improved feedback loop (e.g., riparian buffers, bulkheads, docks)?

**Certification Maintenance:** American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) [Certification Maintenance \(CM\)](#) credits have been requested for this workshop (4 CM credits requested). Please contact [Anne Fritzel](#) for more information about obtaining CM credits.

**Presentation Slides:** Please see the Department of Commerce’s project webpage for presentation slides: <https://goo.gl/znd6aF>.

## Agenda

Time	Agenda Topic
9:00 AM (30 min)	<b>A. Registration</b> Coffee and tea provided
9:30 AM (25 min)	<b>B. Welcome and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome &amp; Opening Remarks: Sarah Fox, American Planning Association Section President</li> <li>County/City/Agency Representatives Introductions: Matt Ojennus, Moderator, Commerce</li> <li>Workshop Overview: Sophie Glass, Facilitator, Triangle Associates</li> </ul>
9:55 AM (20 min)	<b>C. Overview of Critical Areas Monitoring and Adaptive Management</b> Overview of workshop goals, background, definitions, legal issues, and reasons to monitor and adaptively manage critical areas regulations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presenters: <a href="#">Heather Ballash</a> (WA Department of Commerce); <a href="#">Tim Gates</a> (WA Department of Ecology), &amp; <a href="#">Keith Folkerts</a> (WA Department of Fish and Wildlife)</li> </ul>
10:15 AM (20 min)	<b>D. Determining the Objectives of Critical Areas Monitoring and Adaptive Management</b> Break out activity to respond to the question: “What questions would you like to answer through critical areas monitoring and adaptive management?”
10:35 AM (15 min)	<b>E. How to Monitor Critical Areas</b> Review the steps jurisdictions could take to monitor and adaptively manage critical areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presenter: <a href="#">Heather Ballash</a> (WA Department of Commerce)</li> </ul>
10:50 AM	<b>F. 10-Minute Break</b>
11:00 AM (30 min)	<b>G. Clark County Presentation</b> Presentation on Clark County’s critical areas monitoring and adaptive management efforts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presenter: Gary Albrecht, Planner III</li> <li>Questions and answers</li> </ul>
11:30 AM (30 min)	<b>H. City of Camas Presentation</b> Presentation on the City of Camas’ critical areas monitoring and adaptive management efforts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presenter: Sarah Fox, Senior Planner</li> <li>Questions and answers</li> </ul>
12:00 PM (15 min)	<b>I. Sharing Your Existing Efforts</b> Break out activity for participants to understand the monitoring efforts taking place in other jurisdictions.
12:15 PM	<b>J. 60-Minute Lunch</b> (on your own)
1:15 PM (45 min)	<b>K. Case Studies, State Tools, and State Guidance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presenters: <a href="#">Tim Gates</a> (WA Department of Ecology), <a href="#">Donna Bunten</a> (WA Department of Ecology), and <a href="#">Keith Folkerts</a> (WA Department of Fish and Wildlife)</li> <li>Questions and answers</li> </ul>
2:00 PM (45 min)	<b>L. Peer Consultation</b> Serve as peer consultants to further develop critical areas monitoring and adaptive management efforts in your jurisdictions.
2:45 PM (15 min)	<b>M. Wrap up</b> Wrap up and request to fill out an online evaluation of the workshop: <a href="https://goo.gl/bq1rUR">https://goo.gl/bq1rUR</a>
3:00 PM	<b>N. Adjourn</b>

## Directions to Berger-ABAM

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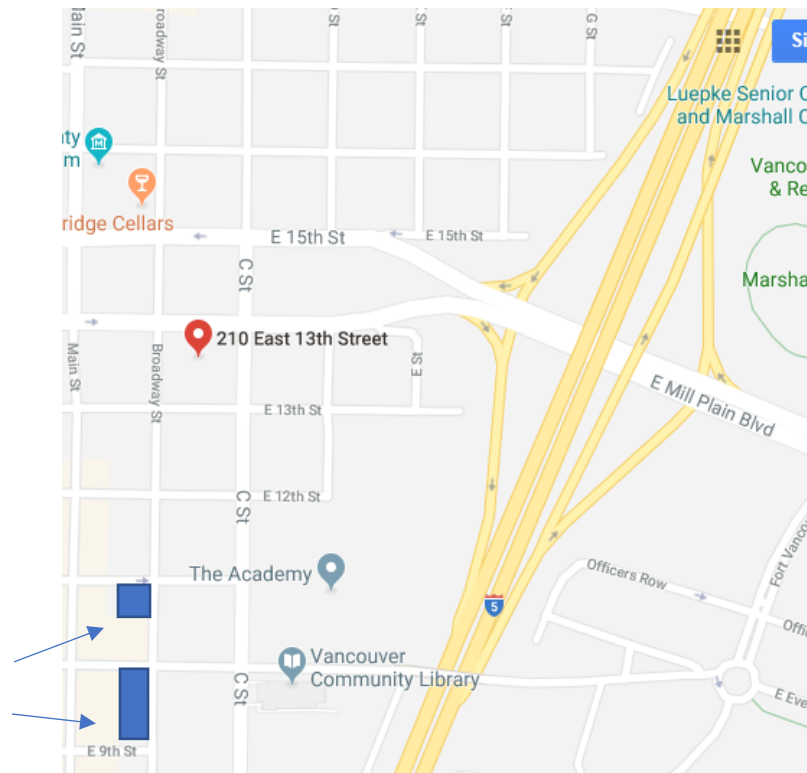
### Driving Directions

**From South on I5:** Take exit 1C for Mill Plain Blvd/WA-501 toward City Center/Port of Vancouver (.2 mi), keep right at the fork, follow signs for City Center and merge onto WA-501/E 15th Street (.1 mi), turn left onto "C" St. Turn right at the second cross street onto E 13<sup>th</sup> St. Destination will be on the right.

**From North on I5:** Take exit 1B toward City Center/Convention Center (.4 mi). Follow "C" St to E 13<sup>th</sup> St. Turn left on E 13<sup>th</sup> St. Destination will be on your right.

**From East via SR-14:** Merge onto WA-14 W, follow signs for City Center (.4 mi). Use the middle lane to take the exit toward City Center. Follow "C" Street to E 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn left on E 13<sup>th</sup> St. Destination will be on your right.

Municipal  
Parking lots



### Parking Info

The building has free upper level parking for visitors accessed by a ramp from E 13<sup>th</sup> Street. However, that parking may be full that morning due to another meeting in the building. There is 2 hour metered parking on the street. People may be able to move their cars to the upper parking level after 10:00 a.m. (Please do not park in the parking garage below the building as those are all reserved spaces.) There are also municipal lots on Broadway at E 11<sup>th</sup> Street, W Evergreen Blvd, and E 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

### Access to Berger-ABAM Offices

If you are walking in from the street, go up the ramps on 13<sup>th</sup> and walk around the building to the lobby entrance on the north side. The building cannot be accessed from E Mill Plain. Take the elevator to the third floor.

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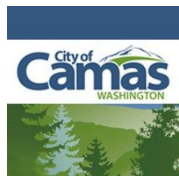
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