TACOMA TIDEFLATS SUBAREA PLAN

Tideflats Advisory Group

June 23, 2022





Agenda

PURPOSE of the meeting: Accept comments from TAG members on the proposed EIS alternatives and scope.

- Support TAG members in preparing for additional comment opportunities.
- Listen to and consider perspectives of individual members.



EIS Scoping

- City issued Determination of Significance and Scoping Notice
- Scoping Comment Period: June 21 August 5 (end of day)
- City Council Process: August to October/November
- Final Scope of Environmental Review: November/December
- Initiate Draft Plan and EIS Development
 - Additional opportunities to comment



How to Comment

- Draft Documents available online:
 - cityoftacoma.org/tideflatsplan
- Oral Testimony:
 - Tideflats Advisory Group Meeting June 23, 2022
 - Public Scoping Meeting July 13, 2022 @ 6:00 pm
- Written comments:
 - Online comment portal
 - Attn: Stephen Atkinson, Long Range Planning Division City of Tacoma, Planning and Development Services 747 Market Street, Room 349 Tacoma, WA 98402



Considerations for Comments

- EIS evaluates impacts from use and development activity.
- Alternatives include distinct land use and development assumptions.
 - Must include a reasonable range of alternatives, can incorporate different interests and perspectives
 - Must include alternative with lower environmental cost
 - Plan does not need to be based on an individual alternative but must be within the range studied
 - Analysis has not happened yet, the scope determines what will be analyzed
- Additional planning requirements based on GMA, SMA, VISION
- Additional studies and information can be considered in Plan



Format for Meeting

- Preliminary Alternatives Document
 - Guiding Principles
 - Element Comparison
 - Maps

Scope of Environmental Review

- Probable significant adverse impacts
- Proposed mitigation measures