

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Reestablishment of Skagit County Lake Management District No. 4
For Clear and Beaver Lakes

Date of Hearing: Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Place of Hearing: Commissioners’ Hearing Room
1800 Continental Place, Suite 100
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Purpose of Hearing: To consider oral and written comments regarding the proposed special assessment roll, rates, and charges, for the newly reformed Skagit County Lake Management District No. 4 (LMD 4), Clear and Beaver Lakes. The Board of Skagit County Commissioners shall act as a board of equalization to correct, revise, raise, lower, modify, or approve the special assessment roll by adoption of a subsequent resolution.

You may attend the Public Hearing in person or remotely through Zoom from your computer, tablet or smartphone with this link: <https://bit.ly/SkagitBoCCMtg> or calling: 1 (253) 215-8782, Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980 Passcode: 143573. Property owners and/or other interested persons need not be present to comment. If you are unable to attend, written comments should be sent to the Clerk of the Board of Skagit County Commissioners, 1800 Continental Place, Suite 100, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, or can be provided by sending an email to commissioners@co.skagit.wa.us or by calling the Commissioner’s office at (360) 416-1300.

The Ordinance (#O20260006) creating LMD 4 for Clear and Beaver Lakes was adopted by the Skagit County Board of Commissioners on June 15, 2026, following a majority vote of property owners in favor of creating the special assessment district to manage the aquatic vegetation in Clear and Beaver Lakes.

The primary nature of lake management activities proposed to be financed includes:

- Management of aquatic plants in Clear and Beaver lakes to meet recreational and aesthetic needs, fishery and wildlife requirements, and a aquatic ecosystem concerns.
- Employment of the best techniques based on environmental safety, effectiveness, and cost.
- Monitoring of aquatic vegetation and water quality as necessary, and as specified by aquatic herbicide permit conditions.
- Surveying and production of maps depicting areas infested with invasive or nuisance aquatic weeds (such as Brazilian Elodea and Eurasian milfoil).
- Implementation of a prevention program focused on community education.
- County staff time involved in the administration of the above activities.
- Any and all other lake improvement and/or maintenance activities as authorized by RCW 36.61.020.

The strategy and methods used to accomplish these objectives are detailed in the Integrated Aquatic Plant Management Plan (IAPMP). Implementation of the plan will be in conformance with applicable Skagit County policies. Any additional lake management activities, if determined necessary by the County during the duration of the proposed LMD, are allowed, as otherwise provided by RCW 36.61.020.

The proposed special assessments will be imposed annually for the ten (10) year duration of the District which shall expire December 31, 2036. The total proposed special assessment revenue collected for the ten (10) year duration will not exceed \$402,957.93. Revenue bonds are not proposed to be issued. The estimated annual assessments are as follows:

ANNUAL ASSESSMENT PROJECTIONS

Type	# of units	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036
Residential& undeveloped	38	325.00	341.25	358.31	376.23	395.04	414.79	435.53	457.31	480.17	504.18
Public Recreation	1	729.00	765.45	803.72	843.91	886.10	930.41	976.93	1,025.78	1,077.07	1,130.92
Open Space & Agricultural	6	729.00	765.45	803.72	843.91	886.10	930.41	976.93	1,025.78	1,077.07	1,130.92
Commercial	1	1,620.00	1,701.00	1,786.05	1,875.35	1,969.12	2,067.58	2,170.95	2,279.50	2,393.48	2,513.15
Public Boat Launch (WDFW)	2	6,482.00	6,806.10	7,146.41	7,503.73	7,878.91	8,272.86	8,686.50	9,120.82	9,576.87	10,055.71
Annual Revenue Totals		32,037.00	33,638.85	35,320.79	37,086.83	38,941.17	40,888.23	42,932.64	45,079.28	47,333.24	49,699.90

Objections: Objections to the proposed special assessment roll, rates, and charges, must be in writing, include clear grounds for objections, and must be filed prior to the public hearing; and failure to so object shall be deemed to waive an objection, pursuant to RCW 36.61.140. Written objections or comments shall be sent to the Clerk of the Board of Skagit County Commissioners, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273. The proposed special assessment roll is available for public perusal during normal business hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please contact Evan Emrick at evane@co.skagit.wa.us for more information.

Outcome: This proposal may be approved, modified, and approved, or rejected by the Board of Skagit County Commissioners.

Questions: Any questions can be directed to Evan Emrick, Noxious Weed Coordinator, Lake Management District Coordinator, Public Works Natural Resources Division, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273; (360) 707- 1502, or ‘evane@co.skagit.wa.us’.

Skagit County ensures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the provision of benefits and services resulting from the federally assisted programs and activities. For questions regarding Skagit County’ s Title VI Program, you may contact the Public Works Department’ s Title VI Liaison, Michael See, at (360) 416- 1400.

Dated this 17th day of August 2026.

BOARD OF SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BY: /s/ Linda Hammons, Clerk of the Board

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