

# INITIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Skagit County plans on using Title III funds from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to fund the implementation of a county-wide Community Wildfire Protection Plan and the Firewise Communities/USA program.

The goals of these programs are to engage with property owners in Skagit County to improve forest health, reduce hazardous fuels, enhance public safety, and increase public awareness of wildfire risks.

These goals will be achieved through an inter-local agreement with Skagit County Conservation District to hire staff to engage with property owners.

Comments concerning the proposed use of these funds will be accepted from the affected public; local, state, and federal agencies; and other interested parties. Comments should be made in writing, sent to the point of contact listed below, and post-marked within forty-five days of publication of this notice.

Additional information about the use of Title III funds can be obtained from the contact below.

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