

Critical Areas Ordinance Policy Matrix
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Chapter 3 Rural Areas and Natural Resource Lands						
R-306 A residential density of one home per 10 acres shall be applied in the Rural Area where: a. The lands are adjacent to or within one-quarter mile of designated ((Agricultural Production Districts, the Forest Production District or legally approved long-term mineral resource extraction sites)) <u>Natural Resource Lands</u> ; ((or)) b. The lands contain significant environmentally constrained areas as defined by county ((ordinance, policy or federal or)) , state, or federal law ((, or regionally significant resource areas or substantial critical habitat as determined by legislatively approved ((basin plans or) Watershed Resource Inventory Area Plans)); ((and)) or ((The predominant lot size is greater than or equal to 10 acres in size)) A residential density of one home per five acres would harm or diminish the surrounding area, burden infrastructure, increase development pressure, or be inconsistent with the development patterns promoted by the Comprehensive Plan.	Substantive change	To reflect proposed Comp Plan repeal of basin plans, where regionally and locally significant resource areas are designated. WRIA plans identify strategies and potential project sites, and make recommendations (in some cases), for levels of riparian protection. But the plans do not contain maps that could serve as the basis for a zoning density	No effect; this reflects current practice	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: commensurate proposed updates to K.C.C. Title 20 Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No new issues identified.
R-308 A residential density of one home per five acres shall be applied in the Rural Area where: a. <u>The lands are more than one-quarter mile away from designated Natural Resource Lands</u> ; b. <u>The lands ((is)) are physically suitable for development with minimal; environmentally sensitive features as defined by county, state, or federal law ((; regionally significant resource areas; or critical habitat as determined by legislatively ((adopted watershed based)) approved Watershed Resource Inventory Area plans)); and</u> ((b. Development can be supported by rural services; c. The land does not meet the criteria in this plan for lower density designations; and d. The predominant lot size is less than 10 acres.)) c. <u>This residential density would not harm or diminish the surrounding area, burden infrastructure, increase development pressure, and be inconsistent with the development patterns promoted by the Comprehensive Plan.</u>	Substantive change	To reflect proposed Comp Plan repeal of basin plans, where regionally and locally significant resource areas are designated. WRIA plans identify strategies and potential project sites, and make recommendations (in some cases), for levels of riparian protection. But the plans do not contain maps that could serve as the basis for a zoning density	No effect; this reflects current practice	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: commensurate proposed updates to K.C.C. Title 20 Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No new issues identified.
R-325 Golf facilities shall be permitted <u>as a conditional use in the RA-2.5 and RA-5 zones and when located outside of Rural Forest Focus Areas</u> ((, Regionally Significant Resource Areas and Locally Significant Resource Areas ((, as a conditional use, in the RA-2.5 and RA-5 zones)) .	Substantive change	To reflect proposed Comp Plan repeal of basin plans, where regionally and locally significant resource areas are designated.	No effect; this reflects current practice	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Programmatic Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No new issues identified.

¹ Black text reflects the transmitted version of the proposed 2024 King County Comprehensive Plan Update, which was sent to Council in December 2023. Underlined text is proposed text to be added. Text with ~~((strikethroughs))~~ is existing text that is proposed to be removed. Red text shows new proposed Best Available Science-driven and critical areas-related changes, including updates to the proposed 2024 KCCP Update changes. Text that is both underlined and stricken was originally proposed to be added in the 2024 KCCP Proposed Ordinance and is now proposed to be not added by the new critical areas changes.

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R-641dd King County should adopt regulations that do not require permits for vegetation management in areas outside of critical areas and their buffers if implementing approved best management practices for wildfire risk reduction or as included within an approved forest stewardship plan that includes wildfire best management practices.	New policy	Reflects need for regulatory changes that improve clearing and grading requirements to further support vegetation management for wildfire risk reduction	Residents can more easily implement wildfire risk reduction best management practices for vegetation management on their properties.	Wildfire Risk Reduction Strategy 30-Year Forest Plan Strategy 1-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: Proposed changes to K.C.C. Chapter 16.82 to remove permitting barriers for vegetation management for wildfire risk reduction Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. This policy could be streamlined.
TRANSMITTED VERSION R-671 King County regulations should ((use pilot or demonstration projects and multi-agency collaboration to develop a new suite of practices that will)) provide options to manage alluvial fans for landowners whose existing operations, residences, or infrastructure are affected by alluvial fan deposits. These should provide timely and cost-effective relief from debris and the associated changes to the watercourse along with protection of ((intact)) functional fish habitat and restoration of degraded fish habitat within these areas.	Substantive change	To reflect 1) that the alluvial fan demonstration projects have expired and 2) recommendations in the Alluvial Fan Demonstration Projects Report	Improved management of alluvial fans	2020-RPT0126	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.
CAO VERSION R-671 King County <u>regulations</u> should ((use pilot or demonstration projects and multi-agency collaboration to develop a new suite of practices that will)) provide <u>((options)) to manage alluvial fans regulatory pathways</u> for landowners ((whose existing operations, residences, or infrastructure are affected)) to protect existing residences and agricultural operations that are threatened by alluvial fan ((deposits)) hazards. These <u>pathways</u> should provide timely ((and cost-effective)) <u>emergency</u> relief from debris and ((the associated changes to the)) watercourse ((along with)) <u>changes, as well as long-term multi-benefit solutions that consider: reduction of alluvial fan hazard risks; protection of ((intact)) functional fish habitat; and restoration of degraded fish habitat within these areas.</u>	Substantive change	To support development of code based on BAS that protect specific types of existing (but not new) development, in keeping with the managed retreat approach.	Add associated implementing code updates that provide a pathway for protect existing residences and agricultural operations threatened by alluvial fan hazards.	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy could be moved to Chapter 5 with the other alluvial fan policies. This policy could be changed to "shall", directing the County to provide options, as this has been developed. This policy could be streamlined.
Chapter 5 Environment						
((E-107 Regulations to prevent unmitigated significant adverse environmental impacts should be based on the importance and sensitivity of the resource.))	Substantive change	No longer consistent with the requirement that development regulations cause no net loss of functions and values in WAC 365-196-830.	Together with regulations and County programs, actions supporting no net loss of ecological functions and values	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No new issues identified.
TRANSMITTED VERSION E-108 King County may exercise its substantive authority under the State Environmental Policy Act to condition or deny proposed actions ((in order)) to mitigate associated individual or cumulative impacts such as significant	Technical change	Grammar	n/a	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.

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<p>habitat modification or degradation that may actually kill, injure, or harm listed threatened or endangered species by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding, spawning, rearing, migrating, or sheltering.</p> <p>CAO VERSION E-108 King County may exercise its substantive authority under the State Environmental Policy Act to condition or deny proposed actions ((in order)) to mitigate associated individual or cumulative impacts, such as significant habitat modification or degradation, that may ((actually kill, injure, or harm)) significantly impact federally or state listed <u>endangered</u>, threatened ((or endangered)), <u>sensitive, or candidate</u> species or <u>King County Species of Local Importance and Habitats of Local Importance</u> by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding, spawning, rearing, migrating, or sheltering.</p>	Clarification of existing intent	Updated terms to be consistent with WAC 365-190-130.	n/a	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy could be re-written consolidate impacts together and streamline text.
<p>E-109 King County should promote efficient provision of utilities and public services by exempting minor activities from its critical areas regulations, if:</p> <p>a. ((t))The agency ((has an approved)) develops a best management practice plan <u>that is based on best available science, accounts for no net loss of ecological functions and values, and is approved by King County((-))</u>; and</p> <p>b. ((t))The plan ensures that proposed projects that may affect habitat of <u>federally or state listed endangered, threatened, sensitive, or candidate</u> species or <u>King County Species of Local Importance</u> be carried out in a manner that protects the resource or mitigates adverse impacts <u>to ensure no net loss of ecological functions and values.</u></p>	Clarification of existing intent.	Updated terms to be consistent with WAC 365-190-130.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Planned implementation of proposal: n/a</u> <u>Description of proposed regulations: n/a</u> <u>Anticipated resource need: n/a</u> <u>Anticipated timeline: n/a</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy could be re-written consolidate impacts together and streamline text.
<p>TRANSMITTED VERSION E-112a The protection of lands where development would pose hazards to health and safety, property, important ecological functions or environmental quality shall be achieved through acquisition, enhancement, incentive programs, and appropriate regulations. The following critical areas are particularly susceptible and shall be protected in King County:</p> <p>a. Floodways of 100-year floodplains;</p> <p>b. Slopes with a grade of 40((%)) percent or more or landslide hazards that cannot be mitigated;</p> <p>c. Wetlands and their protective buffers;</p> <p>d. Aquatic areas, including streams, lakes, marine shorelines and their protective buffers;</p> <p>e. Channel migration hazard areas;</p> <p>f. Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas;</p> <p>g. Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas; and</p> <p>h. Volcanic hazard areas.</p>	Technical change	Standardizes language	n/a	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.
<p>CAO VERSION E-112a The protection of lands where development would pose hazards to health and safety, property, important</p>	Clarification of existing intent.	Updated to align with GMA definition of critical areas, as the header for this section is about	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Planned implementation of proposal: n/a</u> <u>Description of proposed</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This list is consistent with the state's identified critical areas, with the exception of the state

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<p>ecological functions or environmental quality shall be achieved through acquisition, enhancement, incentive programs, and appropriate regulations. The following critical areas are particularly susceptible and shall be protected in King County, <u>including, but not limited to, through designation of specific critical area buffers:</u></p> <p>a. ((Floodways of 100-year floodplains; b. Slopes with a grade of 40((%)) percent or more or landslide hazards that cannot be mitigated; c. Wetlands and their protective buffers; d. Aquatic areas, including streams, lakes, marine shorelines and their protective buffers; e. Channel migration hazard areas; f. Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas; g. Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas; and h. Volcanic hazard areas)) <u>Critical aquifer recharge areas;</u> <u>b. Fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas;</u> <u>c. Flood hazard areas;</u> <u>d. Geologically hazardous areas; and</u> <u>e. Wetlands.</u></p>		<p>the GMA.</p> <p>Buffers are specifically called out as one of the key tools to address regulatory protection of the listed critical areas.</p>			<p><u>regulations: n/a</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Anticipated resource need: n/a</u> <u>Anticipated timeline: n/a</u> 	<p>using the term “frequently flooded area.” The term “flood hazard area” could be changed to “frequently flooded areas, regulated as flood hazard areas.”</p>
<p>TRANSMITTED VERSION ((E-215bb)) E-223 King County ((should)) shall develop and implement regulations that help mitigate and build ((resiliency)) <u>resilience</u> to the anticipated impacts of climate change, based on best available information. Such impacts <u>could</u> include sea level rise, changes in rainfall patterns and flood volumes and frequencies, changes in average and extreme temperatures and weather, impacts to forests including increased wildfires, droughts ((and pest infiltrations)), <u>disease, and insect attacks.</u> Methods could include mitigating greenhouse gas emissions, establishing sea level rise regulations, <u>managing existing and limiting new development in floodplains,</u> and/or strengthening forests ability to withstand impacts.</p>	Substantive change	<p>Strengthened to "shall" to reflect that we're already doing this and intend to continue to do so.</p> <p>Other clarifying edits to reflect that we cannot ensure mitigation for and building resiliency to all listed impacts, and that the listed impacts change over time.</p> <p>Added disease as a missing impact for forests (e.g., harmful funguses) and changed from "pest infiltrations" to "insect attacks" to be consistent with terminology used in forest management.</p> <p>Connections between development and flooding is added as an additional mitigating method of climate change impacts, consistent with existing regulations and a input from Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife.</p>	Improved resilience to climate change	Strategic Climate Action Plan Climate Preparedness section Focus Area 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Planned implementation of proposal:</u> Regulatory <u>Description of proposed regulations:</u> Recently adopted updates to the flood code in K.C.C. chapter 21A.24 and establishment and regulation of the Sea Level Rise Risk Area. <p>Proposed changes to K.C.C. Chapter 16.82 to remove permitting barriers for vegetation management for wildfire risk reduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Anticipated resource need: n/a</u> <u>Anticipated timeline: n/a</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policy strengthened from should to shall. As the County is already undertaking this work, no additional resource impacts are anticipated. - New regulations for wildfire risk areas included in proposed ordinance.
<p>CAO VERSION ((E-215bb)) E-223 King County ((should)) shall develop and implement regulations that help mitigate and build ((resiliency)) <u>resilience</u> to the anticipated impacts of climate change, based on best available information. Such impacts <u>could</u> include: sea level rise((:)); changes in rainfall patterns and flood volumes and frequencies((:));</p>	Clarification of existing intent.	Updated to acknowledge the connection between climate change-driven weather events and landslides and alluvial fans.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Planned implementation of proposal: n/a</u> <u>Description of proposed regulations: n/a</u> <u>Anticipated resource need: n/a</u> <u>Anticipated timeline: n/a</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: no issues identified.

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changes in average and extreme temperatures and weather((-)); <u>impacts to slope stability, including increasing and more intense landslides and alluvial fan hazards</u> ; impacts to forests, including increased wildfires((-)); droughts ((and pest infiltrations)); <u>disease</u> ; and insect attacks. Methods could include mitigating greenhouse gas emissions, establishing sea level rise regulations, <u>managing existing and limiting new development in floodplains</u> , and/or strengthening forests ability to withstand impacts.						
CAO VERSION ((E-215e)) E-229 King County should collaborate with the scientific community, state and federal agencies, and other jurisdictions to develop detailed, science-based estimates of the magnitude and timing of climate change, including impacts on air temperatures and heat waves, rainfall patterns and severe weather, forest health and wildfire, public health, ((river)) flooding, <u>landslides and debris flows, channel migration</u> , sea level rise, <u>biodiversity (including fish and wildlife)</u> , and ocean acidification ((in King County)).	Clarification of existing intent.	Updated to acknowledge the connection between climate change-driven weather events and landslides and alluvial fans.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No new issues identified.
((E-215bb)) E-230 King County shall assess the best available sea level rise projections ((two years)) prior to each ((eight)) 10-year update((-)) and shall ((incorporate the projections into)) <u>update relevant risk assessments and policies in the Comprehensive Plan</u> , where appropriate.	Clarification of existing intent	Clarifying to reflect existing intent, which is to update the policies, not just add the projections to the narrative. Added "relevant risk assessments" to make sure we are doing the necessary studies too. Also making more general to be prior to 10-year updates (reflecting new state update schedule), as the specific timelines may vary.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-402 In the Urban Growth Area, King County shall strive to maintain a quality environment that includes fish and wildlife habitats that support the greatest diversity of native species consistent with Growth Management Act-mandated population density objectives. In areas outside the Urban Growth Area, the ((e)) County should strive to maintain, <u>protect</u> , and recover ecological processes, native landscapes, ecosystems, and habitats that can support viable populations of native species. This should be accomplished through coordinated conservation planning and collaborative implementation.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Edits for clarity and grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. This policy covers urban and not-urban areas. Could be split into two policies so that the not-urban policy goal isn't buried.
E-411 King County should ((conduct an analysis to identify areas critical for functional habitat connectivity. This assessment should be coordinated with state and federal mapping efforts as appropriate)) <u>map habitat connectivity corridors and biodiversity areas to protect wildlife populations in a changing climate</u> . Areas identified by this analysis ((as being critical for functional habitat connectivity)) should be prioritized by King County, and in	Substantive change	Aligns with how King County approaches maps and protects wildlife networks/corridors; supports improved coordination of these efforts with partners; and requires consideration of changing climate.	Creates flexibility on how to deploy limited resources, consistent with planned work; supports regionally aligned and co-supportive	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Programmatic Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.

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collaboration with Indian tribes, the state, cities, and other landowners, for land conservation and restoration actions and programs.			actions on biodiversity, which can improve effectiveness; improved resiliency to climate change			
E-418 King County should assess the: a. ((f)) Relative scarcity and sensitivity of different land types, habitats, and resources, the role of these land types, habitats, and resources in supporting <u>federally or state listed endangered, threatened, sensitive, or candidate species and King County Species of Local Importance and Habitats of Local Importance</u> ; and b. ((the-1)) Level of threat to these land types, habitats, and resources in terms of habitat modifications that would likely reduce populations of ((sensitive)) these species.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Updated terms to be consistent with WAC 365-190-130.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: Not transmitted as part of the PO CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy could be streamlined.
TRANSMITTED VERSION E-423 New development, erosion control projects, and restoration of stream banks, lakes, shorelines, and wetlands should, where possible, incorporate native plant communities into the site plan, both through preservation of existing native plants and addition of new native plants. Introductions of non-native invasive plant, vertebrate, and invertebrate species should be avoided in terrestrial, freshwater, and marine environs.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Consolidates E-426 and E-506	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.
CAO VERSION (In legislative markup): E-423 New development, erosion control projects, and <u>critical area mitigation and restoration</u> should, where possible, incorporate native plant communities into the site plan, both through preservation of existing native plants and addition of new native plants. <u>Introductions of non-native invasive plant, vertebrate, and invertebrate species should be avoided.</u>	Policy Change.	Streamlined and clarified.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As proposed in the KCCP transmittal, the policy narrowed restoration to "stream banks, lakes, shorelines and wetlands," whereas the underlying language covered all new development. The CAO draft would broaden restoration include mitigation for all critical areas. This is consistent with other county policies and codes, which support native plants in critical area mitigation. This is a policy choice. This policy could be streamlined.
E-425 To protect or improve adjacent wetlands and aquatic habitats, ((stream and)) riparian area, wetland buffer, and setback requirements may be increased to protect King County ((s)) Species of Local Importance and their habitats, as appropriate. Whenever possible, density transfers, clustering, and buffer averaging should be allowed.	Clarification of existing policy intent.	Updated to reflect current terminology.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: Not transmitted as part of the PO CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy is almost identical to policy E-475 and could be consolidated. The policy separates out protection of "adjacent wetlands and aquatic habitats" from protection of "Species of Local Importance and their habitats". The policy could be streamlined.
E-429 King County should provide incentives, <u>such as providing technical assistance or access to appropriate plants</u> , for private landowners who are seeking to remove invasive plants and noxious weeds and replace them with native <u>and/or climate-smart plants</u> ((, such as providing technical	Substantive change.	Updated to reflect the current climate context. King County is producing a "Climate-smart Plants" reference list. This list will be a companion to existing	To improve resiliency in a changing climate.	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory and programmatic Description of proposed regulations: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The policy could be revised for clarity.

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assistance or access to appropriate native plants).		County native plant list resources. This list will expand the plants allowed for use in efforts like restoration projects.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	
<p>TRANSMITTED VERSION</p> <p>E-432 King County shall designate the following areas as Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas:</p> <p>a. Areas with which federal or state listed endangered, threatened or sensitive species have a primary association;</p> <p>b. Habitats of Local Importance and ((H))habitats for Species of Local Importance;</p> <p>c. Wildlife habitat networks designated by the ((e))County;</p> <p>d. Commercial and recreational shellfish areas;</p> <p>e. Kelp and eelgrass beds;</p> <p>f. Herring, smelt, and sand lance spawning areas;</p> <p>g. Riparian ((corridors)) areas; and</p> <p>h. State aquatic reserves.</p>	Technical change	To reflect terminology and edits for grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.
<p>CAO VERSION</p> <p>E-432 King County shall designate the following areas as Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas:</p> <p>a. Areas with which federal or state listed endangered, threatened ((e)), sensitive, <u>or candidate</u> species have a primary association;</p> <p>b. Habitats of Local Importance and ((H))habitats for Species of Local Importance, <u>including Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas</u>;</p> <p>c. Wildlife habitat networks designated by the ((e))County;</p> <p>d. <u>Aquatic areas</u>;</p> <p>e. Commercial and recreational shellfish areas;</p> <p>((e-)) f. Kelp and eelgrass beds;</p> <p>((f-)) g. Herring, smelt, and sand lance spawning areas;</p> <p>((g-)) h. Riparian ((corridors)) areas; and</p> <p>((h-)) i. State aquatic reserves.</p>	Clarification of existing intent	The original list in the policy is based on the WAC, and the critical areas the County specifically regulates encompass or are encompassed by the original list, but with different terminologies and/or structure; so incorporating terminology used in the WAC into this list makes it clearer how they fit into the WAC structure.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The WAC identifies what habitats should be considered for classification and designation. The state law has the following habitats that are not explicitly spelled out in this list: naturally occurring ponds under 20 acres and their submerged aquatic beds; waters of the state; lakes, ponds, streams, and rivers planted with game fish. Whether to align the County's list with those identified in state law is a policy choice. See E-433 below. This policy could be consolidated with E-433.
E-433 King County should map Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas. King County shall protect Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas through measures such as regulations, incentives, capital projects, or purchase(, as appropriate).	Clarification of existing policy intent	"As appropriate" is implied in the Comprehensive Plan definition of "should" and use of the term "such as"	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. This policy, along with E-432 and E-410 could be streamlined and consolidated to reduce duplication.
E-434 Habitats for species that have been identified as endangered, threatened, or sensitive by the state or federal government shall not be <u>degraded or reduced in size</u> and should be conserved.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Edits for clarity	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: Councilmembers may wish to strengthen this policy by stating that habitats "shall be protected" rather than "should be conserved". This would be consistent with Policy E-438.
<p>TRANSMITTED VERSION</p> <p>E 435 King County designates the following to be Species of Local Importance:</p> <p>a. Salmonids and other anadromous fish – Kokanee salmon, Sockeye/red salmon, Chum salmon, Coho/silver salmon, Pink</p>						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.

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<p>salmon, Coastal resident/searun cutthroat trout, Rainbow trout, Dolly Varden, and Pacific lamprey;</p> <p>b. Native Freshwater Mussels – Western pearlshell mussel, Oregon and western floater, and western ridge mussel;</p> <p>c. Shellfish – Dungeness crab, Pandalid shrimp, Geoduck clam, and Pacific oyster;</p> <p>d. Marine Fish – White sturgeon, Pacific herring, Longfin smelt, Surfsmelt, Lingcod, Pacific sand lance, English sole, and Rock sole;</p> <p>e. Birds – Western grebe, American bittern, Great blue heron, Brant, Harlequin duck, Wood duck, Hooded merganser, Barrow's goldeneye, Common goldeneye, Cinnamon teal, Tundra swan, Trumpeter swan, Surf scoter, White winged scoter, Black scoter, Osprey, Western screech owl, Sooty grouse, Band tailed pigeon, Belted kingfisher, Hairy woodpecker, Olive sided flycatcher, Western meadowlark, Cassin's finch, and Purple finch;</p> <p>f. Mammals – American marten, mink, Columbian black tailed deer, Elk in their historic range, mountain goat, Pika, roosting concentrations of Big brown bat and Myotis bats;</p> <p>g. Amphibians – Red legged frog;</p> <p>h. Reptiles – Western fence lizard;</p> <p>i. Rare Plants – bristly sedge; Canadian St. John's wort; clubmoss cassiope; Oregon goldenaster; toothed wood fern; Vancouver ground cone; and white top aster; and</p> <p>j. High quality ecological communities Douglas fir Pacific Madrone / Salal; Douglas fir Western Hemlock / Swordfern; Forested Sphagnum Bog PTN, Low Elevation Freshwater Wetland PTN, North Pacific Herbaceous Bald and Bluff, Red Alder Forest; Western Hemlock (Western Redcedar) / Bog Labrador tea / Sphagnum Spp.; Western Hemlock (Western Redcedar) / Devil's club / Swordfern; Western Hemlock (Western Redcedar) / Sphagnum Spp.; Western Hemlock / Swordfern – Foamflower; Western Redcedar Western Hemlock / Skunkcabbage; and Willow Spp. Shrubland [Provisional]).</p>						
<p>CAO VERSION</p> <p>E-435 King County designates the following to be Species of Local Importance:</p> <p>a. Salmonids and other anadromous fish – Kokanee salmon, Sockeye/red salmon, Chum salmon, Coho/silver salmon, Pink salmon, Coastal resident/searun cutthroat trout, Rainbow trout, Dolly Varden, <u>Western river lamprey</u>, and Pacific lamprey;</p> <p>b. Native Freshwater Mussels – Western pearlshell mussel, Oregon (and western) floater, and western ridge mussel;</p> <p>c. Shellfish – Dungeness crab, Pandalid shrimp, (Geoduck) <u>Butter</u> clam, <u>Littleneck clam</u>, and (Pacific) <u>Olympia</u> oyster;</p> <p>d. Marine Fish – White sturgeon((?)); Pacific herring((?)); Longfin smelt((?)); Surfsmelt((?)); Lingcod((?)); <u>Pacific cod</u>; Pacific sand lance((?)); <u>Yelloweye, Brown, Copper, Bocaccio, Canary, and Quillback Rockfish</u>; English sole((?)); and <u>Southern ((R))</u> rock sole;</p> <p>e. Birds – <u>Marbled Murrelet</u>, Western grebe, <u>Caspian Tern</u>,</p>	Substantive	Updated list of species to be based on current science and state guidelines.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO Draft: According to Policy E-410, habitat networks for all of these species must be mapped. According to the Executive, the habitat for these species (current or proposed) have not been mapped. Chinook salmon, steelhead trout, bull trout, pygmy whitefish and Olympic mudminnow were inadvertently left off the list and could be added.

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<p><u>Pigeon Guillemot, Pelagic Cormorant, American bittern, Great blue heron, Common Loon, Western High Arctic Brant, Harlequin duck, Bufflehead, Wood duck, Hooded merganser, Barrow's goldeneye, Common goldeneye, Cinnamon teal, Tundra swan, Trumpeter swan, Surf scoter, White-winged scoter, Black scoter, Bald Eagle, Golden Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Northern Goshawk, Osprey, Spotted Owl, Western screech-owl, Sooty grouse, Pacific coast (B) Band-tailed pigeon, Belted kingfisher, (Hairy woodpecker,) Olive-sided flycatcher, Western meadowlark, Cassin's finch, Oregon Vesper Sparrow, Red-eyed Vireo, Purple Martin, Vaux's Swift, (and) Purple finch, Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Black-backed Woodpecker, American three-toed woodpecker, Hairy woodpecker, Pileated woodpecker, and the following bird concentrations:</u></p> <p>1. <u>Waterfowl Concentrations (Anatidae excluding Canada Geese in urban areas); and</u></p> <p>2. <u>Western Washington nonbreeding concentrations of plovers (Charadriidae), sandpipers (Scolopacidae), and phalaropes (Phalaropodidae);</u></p> <p>f. <u>Mammals – American marten, (mink,) Wolverine, Fisher, Gray wolf, Cascade red fox, Douglas squirrel, Northern flying squirrel, Townsend's chipmunk, Hoary marmot, (Columbian black-tailed deer,) Roosevelt (E) elk ((in their historic range)), mountain goat, Pika, Townsend's big-eared bat, roosting concentrations of Big-brown bats, Pallid bats, (and) Myotis bats, Killer whale (Orca), Gray whale, Dall's and Harbor porpoise, Harbor seal, Stellar sea lions, and concentrations of California sea lions;</u></p> <p>g. <u>Amphibians – Red-legged frog, Larch Mountain salamander, Oregon spotted frog, and Western toad;</u></p> <p>h. <u>Reptiles – Western fence lizard and Northwestern pond turtle;</u></p> <p>i. <u>Rare Plants – ((bristly sedge; Canadian St. John's-wort; clubmoss cassiope; Oregon goldenaster; toothed wood fern; Vancouver ground-cone; and white-top-aster)) Tall bugbane, Triangular-lobed moonwort, Western moonwort, Stalked moonwort, Harvest brodiaea Alaska harebell, Few-flowered sedge, Long-styled sedge, Clubmoss mountain-heather, Golden paintbrush, Weak thistle, Spleenwort-leaved goldthread, Tree clubmoss, Spotted Joe-pye weed, Kamchatka fritillary, Swamp gentian, Oregon goldenweed, Large St. Johns'-wort, Pacific peavine, Water lobelia, Northern bog clubmoss, One-cone clubmoss, White meconella, Branched montia, Old field blue toadflax, Brewer's cliffbrake, Whitebark pine, Choriso's bog-orchid, Columbia white-topped aster, and Flat-leaved bladderwort; and</u></p> <p>j. <u>((High-quality ecological communities – Douglas fir – Pacific Madrone / Salal; Douglas fir – Western Hemlock / Swordfern; Forested Sphagnum Bog PTN, Low Elevation Freshwater Wetland</u></p>						

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<p>PTN, North Pacific Herbaceous Bald and Bluff, Red Alder Forest; Western Hemlock – (Western Redcedar) / Bog Labrador-tea / Sphagnum Spp.; Western Hemlock – (Western Redcedar) / Devil's club / Swordfern; Western Hemlock – (Western Redcedar) / Sphagnum Spp.; Western Hemlock / Swordfern – Foamflower; Western Redcedar – Western Hemlock / Skunkcabbage; and Willow Spp. Shrubland (Provisional))) Other invertebrates – Blue gray tailedropper, Hatch's click beetle, Beller's ground beetle, Pacific clubtail, Western bumblebee, Johnson's hairstreak, and Valley silverspot.</p>						
<p>CAO VERSION E-437 King County shall designate the following to be Habitats of Local Importance:</p> <p>a. Caves; b. Cliffs; c. ((Talus)) <u>Herbaceous balds</u>; d. Old-growth forest; e. ((Sphagnum-dominated peat bogs)) <u>Oregon white oak woodlands</u>; ((and)) f. Snag-rich areas; g. <u>Sphagnum-dominated peat bogs</u>; h. <u>Talus</u>; and i. <u>Westside prairie</u>.</p>	Substantive	Updated list of habitats to be based on current science and state guidelines.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No issues identified.
E-440 King County should regularly review the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's list of Priority Species and other scientific information on species of local importance, and evaluate whether any species should be added to or deleted from the lists in policies E-435 and E-437. Any additions or deletions ((should)) <u>may</u> be made through the annual update.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Updated to reflect that is a permissive allowance for changes that can be made during the annual Comprehensive Plan update, rather than just an encouragement to do it.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-442 King County should conserve and restore salmonid habitats by ensuring that land use and facility plans (transportation, water, sewer, electricity, gas) include riparian and stream habitat conservation measures developed by the ((e)) County, cities, Indian tribes, service providers, and state and federal agencies. Project review of development proposals within basins that contain hatcheries and other artificial propagation facilities that are managed to protect the abundance, productivity, genetic diversity, and spatial distribution of native salmon and provide harvest opportunities should consider significant adverse impacts to those facilities.	Technical change	To reflect current terminology and edits for grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
((E-470 King County shall use current manuals and guidance from state and federal governmental agencies and departments to identify, delineate, and categorize wetlands and to establish mitigation requirements for wetlands.	Clarification of existing policy intent	This is a state requirement and does not need to be a policy	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No additional issues identified.

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E-471 King County will apply the current scientifically accepted methodology for wetland mitigation based on technical criteria and field indicators. Where appropriate, King County should rely on publications and recommendations from state and federal agencies to ensure King County approved mitigation will be accepted by state and federal agencies with jurisdiction.	Clarification of existing policy intent	This is a state requirement and does not need to be a policy	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No additional issues identified.
E-472 King County shall communicate and coordinate with other jurisdictions and tribes to establish uniform countywide wetlands policies that provide protection of both regionally and locally highly rated wetlands.)	Substantive change	Not a King County role; the state does this. Additionally, King County customizes its Best Available Science to specifically apply to unincorporated areas in a manner that would not apply to cities	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes are proposed. This policy could remain and be reworked to focus on the County's role in participating in this process.
((E-474 Development adjacent to wetlands shall be sited such that wetland functions and values are protected, an adequate buffer around the wetlands is provided, and significant adverse impacts to wetlands are prevented.))	Clarification of existing intent	This is a state requirement and does not need to be a policy	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was not included in the KCCP transmittal. CAO draft: no issues identified.
E-475 To improve adjacent wetlands, <u>riparian areas</u> , and aquatic habitat, areas of native vegetation that connect wetland complexes should be protected. ((Whenever effective)) <u>Where appropriate</u> , incentive programs such as buffer averaging, density credit transfers, or appropriate non-regulatory mechanisms shall be used for this purpose.	Clarification of existing intent.	Updated to use current terminology and clearer language.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was not included in the KCCP transmittal. CAO draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This policy is almost identical to E-425 and could be consolidated.
E-476 King County should identify upland areas of native vegetation that connect wetlands to upland habitats and that connect upland habitats to each other. The ((e)) County should seek protection of these areas through acquisition, stewardship plans, and incentive programs such as the Public Benefit Rating System and the Transfer of Development Rights Program.	Technical change	Grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No additional changes are proposed. The first sentence of this policy could be struck, as this policy only covers identification (whereas other policies discuss protection of native vegetated areas and wetlands).
E-478 Public access to <u>King County-owned</u> wetlands for scientific, recreational, and traditional cultural use ((is desirable, providing that)) <u>should be encouraged if:</u> <u>a. ((p))</u> Public access trails are carefully sited ((:)); <u>b. Protection is provided for critical areas; federally and state listed endangered, threatened, sensitive, and candidate ((habitats and))</u> species <u>and their habitats; and King County Species of Local Importance and Habitats of Local Importance ((are protected,))</u> ; and <u>c. ((h))</u> Hydrologic continuity is maintained.	Clarification of existing intent.	Clarifying changes to: to speak to what is in County-role/authority; reorient to policy direction, rather than a statement; and use updated terms to be consistent with WAC 365-190-130.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was not included in the KCCP transmittal. CAO draft: No issues identified.
E-480 Enhancement or restoration of degraded wetlands may be allowed to maintain or improve wetland functions and values, provided that all wetland functions are evaluated in a wetland management plan, and adequate monitoring,	Technical change	For consistency of terms throughout the policy	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.

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code enforcement, and evaluation is provided and assured by responsible parties. <u>The enhancement or ((R))restoration ((or enhancement)) must result in a net improvement to the functions and values of the wetland system. Within available resources, King County should provide technical assistance to small property owners as an incentive to encourage the enhancement or restoration ((or enhancement)) of degraded wetlands.</u>					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Description of proposed regulations:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline:</u> n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAO draft: No additional changes are proposed. The policy could be strengthened to remove "maintain", as wetland functions and values should have a net improvement. This would align with the Executive's intent.
((E-482 A small Category IV wetland that is less than 2,500 square feet and that is not part of a wetland complex may be altered to move functions to another wetland as part of an approved mitigation plan that is consistent with E-483 and E-484.))	Substantive change	BAS is clear that small wetlands especially in urban areas are important. The research indicates that a broader approach to protecting wildlife such as mammals, birds and amphibians is needed, as buffers alone may not prevent the populations of many species from declining. Wetlands located in urban areas are generally less common and are more impacted by adjacent light and noise pollution, often contain non-native and invasive plant species, and lack intact vegetated corridors or habitat patches connecting adjacent habitat. Conserving wetland habitats, habitat patches, and vegetated corridors networks in urban areas and throughout the watershed is critical for certain species and provides refuge from drought and increasing temperatures due to climate change.	Category IV wetlands smaller than 2,500 square feet will now be protected consistent with BAS.	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal:</u> Regulatory • <u>Description of proposed regulations:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline:</u> n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was not included in the KCCP transmittal. • CAO draft: The Executive's BAS report indicates that the current practice is not in line with the best available science. Removing this policy would be consistent with the BAS report. This is a policy choice.
E-483 Wetland impacts should be avoided if possible, and minimized in all cases. Where impacts cannot be avoided, they should be mitigated on site if the proposed mitigation is ((feasible)) practical, ecologically appropriate, and likely to continue providing equivalent or better biological functions in perpetuity. Where on-site mitigation is not possible or appropriate, King County may approve off-site mitigation.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Related to 2016 Work Plan Action 5 – Implementation Needs The policy was amended in the 2016 Comprehensive Plan in a manner that conflicted with K.C.C. 21A.24.133. After additional review, it was determined the code language was the appropriate language. Policy is proposed to be updated accordingly	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal:</u> n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline:</u> n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes are proposed as part of the CAO update. No issues identified.
E-486 King County in partnership with other governmental entities and interested parties should encourage the development and use of wetland mitigation banks through which functioning wetlands or aquatic areas are enhanced, restored, or created prior to the impacting of	Technical change	Grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal:</u> n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations:</u> n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.

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existing wetlands or aquatic areas. The ((e))County shall encourage establishment of such banks by established government entities as well as by private, entrepreneurial enterprises.					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAO draft: Should/Should conflict within policy. The Executive notes that "should" meets the intent. Councilmembers may wish to determine whether a should or a shall is preferable.
[Page 5-71] In approving mitigation proposals, King County should consider the ecological context of the impacted wetland, as well as the wetland impact acreage, functions, and values. Mitigation sites should be located in areas in which the project will enhance ecological conditions of the watershed and should first replace or augment the functions and values that are most important to the optimum functioning of the wetland being created, restored, or enhanced. These functions and values may differ from those lost as a result of the impacting development project. Wetland mitigation proposals should result in no net loss, and if possible, in an increase in overall wetland functions and values within the watershed in which the impacted site is located.	Policy staff flag					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: No changes were proposed in the KCCP transmittal. • CAO draft: This is policy language contained in the background text. It could be removed or converted to a policy.
E-489 Wetland mitigation projects should avoid impacts to and prevent loss of farmable land within Agricultural Production Districts. Creation of wetland mitigation banks ((are)) shall not be allowed in the Agricultural Production Districts when the purpose is to compensate for wetland impacts from development outside the Agricultural Production Districts.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Reoriented from a statement to policy direction, consistent with existing intent	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes are proposed as part of the CAO update. No issues identified.
E-493 King County shall identify and map areas in unincorporated King County that are considered Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas and sole-source aquifers. The ((e))County shall periodically update this map with new information from adopted groundwater and wellhead protection studies and other relevant sources. King County should develop and maintain map layers of groundwater risk level when funding is available.	Technical change	Grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes are proposed as part of the CAO update. No issues identified.
TRANSMITTED VERSION E-498a The existing flood storage and conveyance functions and ecological values of floodplains, wetlands, and riparian ((corridors)) areas shall be protected, and should((, where possible,)) be restored and enhanced ((or restored)) through integrated actions that provide multiple benefits.	Substantive change	Emphasizes integrated/multiple benefit actions to align with the Countywide Planning Policies and King County flood program goals Other edits to reflect current terminology, align with definition of "should" (which includes "where possible"), and clarity	Additional improved outcomes when protecting, restoring and enhancing floodplains.	Countywide Planning Policy EN-9 Flood Hazard Management Plan Guiding Principle 1.3.2, Policies G-3, G-9, PROJ-6 Clean Water Healthy Habitat Strategic Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: Capital Projects and Programmatic • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: No • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes.
CAO VERSION E-498a The existing flood storage and conveyance functions and ecological values of floodplains, wetlands, and riparian ((corridors)) areas shall be protected, and should((, where possible,)) be restored and enhanced ((or restored)) through integrated actions that provide multiple benefits, <u>such as preservation of open space and adjacent low-density development.</u>	Clarification of existing intent.	Provides additional context for clarity and updated to be consistent with existing practice.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAO draft: No issues identified.

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E-499 ((Rivers and streams are inherently dangerous.)) King County should coordinate across ((e)) County departments and with other agencies and organizations to promote public awareness of the dynamics and dangers of river and stream systems and the need for personal responsibility when living near or recreating in or on rivers and streams.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Removed statement that is not policy direction.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
<p>TRANSMITTED VERSION E-499b River and stream channels, stream outlets, headwater areas, riparian corridors, and areas where dynamic ecological processes are present should be preserved, protected and enhanced for their hydraulic, hydrologic, ecologic and aesthetic functions, including their functions in providing large wood to salmonid-bearing streams. ((Management of)) <u>Actions taken along river and stream channels should ((consider other beneficial uses of these water bodies, including recreation)) provide multiple benefits, resiliency to climate change, and ensure flood risk reduction actions benefit all communities, especially frontline communities, consistent with equity and racial and social justice goals and the policies of the King County Flood Hazard Management Plan or successor plans.</u></p> <p>CAO VERSION E-499b River and stream channels, stream outlets, headwater areas, riparian ((corridors)) <u>areas</u>, and areas where dynamic ecological processes are present should be preserved, protected, and enhanced for their hydraulic, hydrologic, ecologic, and aesthetic functions, including their functions in providing large wood to salmonid bearing streams. ((Management of)) <u>Actions taken along river and stream channels should ((consider other beneficial uses of these water bodies, including recreation)) provide multiple benefits, resiliency to climate change, and ensure flood risk reduction actions benefit all communities, especially frontline communities, consistent with equity and racial and social justice goals and the policies of the King County Flood Hazard Management Plan or successor plans.</u></p>	<p>Substantive change</p> <p>Clarification of existing policy.</p>	<p>Emphasizes integrated/multiple benefit actions to align with the Countywide Planning Policies, King County flood program and equity goals</p> <p>Updated to use current terminology.</p>	<p>Additional improved outcomes when protecting, restoring and enhancing floodplains, especially for priority populations</p> <p>n/a</p>	<p>Countywide Planning Policy EN-9</p> <p>Flood Hazard Management Plan Guiding Principle 1.3.2, Policies G-3, G-9, PROJ-6</p> <p>Clean Water Healthy Habitat Strategic Plan</p> <p>Equity and Social Justice Strategic Plan</p> <p>n/a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Capital Projects and Programmatic Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: No Anticipated timeline: Ongoing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No issues identified.
<p>TRANSMITTED VERSION E-499f King County should improve the management of alluvial fans by developing and clarifying definitions of alluvial fans, mapping the locations of existing alluvial fans, and developing appropriate management strategies. Strategies should protect intact habitat ((and)) restore degraded habitat, <u>and</u> reduce threats to public safety((, and accommodate)) in the context of existing land uses. <u>Best Available Science and ((F)) findings from Alluvial Fan Management Pilot Projects Reports should inform management strategies for alluvial fans, including potential regulatory changes.</u></p> <p>CAO VERSION (In legislative markup) E-499f King County should improve the management of alluvial</p>	<p>Substantive change</p> <p>Substantive change</p>	<p>To reflect current context (pilot projects have been completed) and support alluvial fan management actions informed by current science and recent County alluvial fan analysis and recommendations</p> <p>Other edits for clarity</p> <p>Clarifies that mapping existing alluvial fans does not include</p>	<p>Future actions and code changes that support more effective management of alluvial fans</p> <p>n/a</p>	<p>Alluvial Fan Demonstration Projects Report (2020-RPT0126)</p> <p>n/a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Programmatic Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: - This policy could be clarified.

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<p>fans by ((developing and clarifying definitions of alluvial fans.)) mapping the locations of existing alluvial fans((;)) and areas at risk of alluvial fan hazards and developing appropriate management strategies, such as development standards and mitigation requirements. Strategies should:</p> <p>a. Address potential conflicting interests between landowners and natural alluvial fan activities;</p> <p>b. Consider climate change;</p> <p>c. ((p))Protect intact habitat ((and));</p> <p>d. ((r))Restore degraded habitat((;)) and</p> <p>e. ((f))Reduce threats to public safety((; and accommodate)) in the context of existing land uses. ((Findings from Alluvial Fan Management Pilot Projects should inform management strategies for alluvial fans.))</p>		<p>mapping all areas at risk from alluvial fan hazards. Debris flows can occur along steep creeks and drainages that do not have a formed alluvial fan or have had an alluvial fan removed due to erosion.</p> <p>Added subsections to reflect current climate context and to support a regulatory framework that balances natural processes and human safety.</p> <p>Removed actions completed by the 2024 update.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	
E-499i King County should work with landowners, other jurisdictions, the state Department of Health, sewer districts, and the Puget Sound Partnership to proactively address failing septic systems with a priority in ((environmentally)) environmental health sensitive areas, ((including)) critical areas and their buffers, and constrained shoreline environments.	Substantive	Clarifying edits to reflect existing intent	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: not transmitted as part of the PO. CAO draft: It is unclear what "environmental health sensitive areas" are. Executive staff indicated that the term refers to areas in state guidance on septic systems. This could be clarified.
E-499ii King County should support ((s)) the coexistence of beavers and people in rural King County. ((King County should prepare a beaver management strategy to guide a program on issues such as where and how beavers and humans can co-exist with or without engineered solutions and where beavers should be excluded or removed.))	Clarification of existing intent.	Reoriented to policy direction rather than a statement.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: No new issues identified.
E-499l King County should seek to support Water Resource Inventory Area salmon recovery plan goals of maintaining intact natural landscapes through:	Substantive change	Updated to align with proposed repeal of rural stewardship plans in the code.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: Rural Stewardship Plans is proposed to be removed in this policy to reflect a planned repeal of these plans in code. A corresponding code change is required to effectuate the repeal. No issues identified.
((E 499p King County shall, in cooperation with the cities, ensure a no net loss of housing capacity that preserves the ability to accommodate adopted growth targets, while pursuing compliance with Endangered Species Act requirements. To achieve this goal, densities shall be increased on buildable lands, consistent with H 110.))	Clarification of existing intent.	Consolidated into I-301 in Chapter 12, which more accurately reflects current terminology, context, and practice.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: Not transmitted as part of the PO. CAO draft: Housing capacity and compliance with the Endangered Species Act are covered in other policies. This policy is duplicative. No issues identified.

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E-499qq King County shall implement a comprehensive local floodplain management program that, <u>consistent with the King County Flood Hazard Management Plan or successor plans</u> ; protects lives((,)); minimizes damage and disruption to infrastructure and critical facilities((,)); preserves and restores natural floodplain functions((,)); uses integrated approaches to provide multiple benefits; <u>is resilient to climate change; supports floodplain management actions that benefit frontline communities; and ensures that new development does not put people in harm's way or cause adverse flooding impacts elsewhere((, consistent with the King County Flood Hazard Management Plan)).</u>	Substantive change	Emphasizes integrated/multiple benefit actions to align with the Countywide Planning Policies, King County flood program and equity goals Other edits for clarity and timelessness	Additional improved outcomes when protecting, restoring and enhancing floodplains, especially for priority populations	Countywide Planning Policy EN-9 Flood Hazard Management Plan Guiding Principle 1.3.2, Policies G-3, G-9, PROJ-6 Clean Water Healthy Habitat Strategic Plan Equity and Social Justice Strategic Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Capital Projects and Programmatic Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: No Anticipated timeline: Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-499qqq King County shall continue to exceed the federal minimum standards stipulated by the National Flood Insurance Program for unincorporated areas to better protect public safety, reduce the risk of flood and channel migration hazards to existing public and private property, and prevent new at-risk development.	Clarification of existing policy intent	To align with current regulations	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-499r King County's floodplain land use and floodplain management activities shall be carried out in accordance with policies, programs and projects detailed in the King County Flood Hazard Management Plan, or successor plans.	Clarification of existing policy intent	For timelessness	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
((E-501 Grading and construction activities shall implement erosion control best management practices and other development controls as necessary to reduce sediment and pollution discharge from construction sites to minimal levels.))	Clarification of existing policy intent	This is a requirement and doesn't need to be a policy; see K.C.C. 21A.22.070 and 9.04.050.A.5	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-503 Slopes with a grade of 40((%)) percent or more shall not be developed unless the risks and adverse impacts associated with such development can be reduced to a non-significant level. ((No disturbance zones shall be designated where basin plans identify the need to prevent erosion damages in areas that are extremely sensitive to erosion impacts. Properly designed stormwater tightlines may be allowed within designated no disturbance zones.))	Substantive Change	Basin plans are proposed for repeal in the ordinance adopting the 2024 Comprehensive Plan, as they are primarily from the 1990s and do not reflect current conditions or regulatory requirements.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-504 King County should protect native plant communities by encouraging management and control of nonnative invasive plants, including aquatic plants. Environmentally sound methods of vegetation control should be used to control noxious weeds.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Consolidated in E-427	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.

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E-506 The use of native plants should be encouraged in landscaping requirements and erosion control projects, and in the restoration of stream banks, lakes, shorelines, and wetlands.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Consolidated in E-423	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-507 In response to watershed-based salmon conservation Water Resource Inventory Area plans and as part of King County's continued basin planning and stewardship programs, King County may adopt vegetation retention goals for specific drainage basins. These goals should be consistent with R-334, as applicable. The county should adopt incentives and regulations to attain these goals, and the county should monitor their effectiveness.)	Substantive Change	Not current practice, nor in regulations.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. This is a policy choice. The Council could instead require adoption of such goals (at a broad level, rather than at the basin level).
E-507a King County should work with partner jurisdictions to ((maintain a)) periodically review and update the map and inventory of known and potential landslide hazard areas in unincorporated King County ((that is based upon the best available information)) consistent with best available science and current data. This information ((will)) shall be used to inform future planning and guide development regulations.	Clarification of existing policy intent	To reflect current context and practice (this inventory has been created, and should update it from time to time when resources allow; but there are no resources currently). Other edits for clarity and to reflect that "will" is predictive but "shall" is directive; policies should be directive, not statements of what is anticipated to happen.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. This is an action, not a policy direction or goal. Could be deleted or reworded to address a policy goal.
E-507b King County should make landslide hazards information readily available to the public ((in order)) to improve the general understanding of landslides and their associated hazards. This may include making information available on a public website and providing outreach and assistance to current and prospective property owners and developers.	Technical change	Grammar	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-509 In areas with severe seismic hazards, special building design and construction measures should be used to minimize the risk of structural damage, fire and injury to occupants and to prevent post-seismic collapse.	Clarification of existing policy intent	This is a requirement in the building code; policy is not needed	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need</u>: n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-511 King County ((will)) shall encourage efforts by public and private property owners and the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation, and Enforcement to return lands to their highest productive use by safely minimizing or eliminating coal mine hazards.	Clarification of existing policy intent	Other edits for clarity and to reflect that "will" is predictive but "shall" is directive; policies should be directive, not statements of what is anticipated to happen.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal</u>: n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations</u>: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No additional changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.

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((E-514 King County shall require all landowners proposing new development in coal mine hazard areas to document the potential hazard on the title of the parcel or parcels being developed. This notice may include reference to any available technical studies or detailed hazard delineations.))	Clarification of existing policy intent	Addressed in K.C.C. 21A.24.170.A, and required for all critical areas; policy specific to coal mines is not needed	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. CAO draft: No changes were proposed in the CAO. No issues identified.
E-708 King County should implement a <u>monitoring and adaptive management</u> framework ((for)) <u>to:</u> a. <u>Evaluate the effectiveness ((monitoring of its critical areas)) of County regulations, policies, and programs in achieving no net loss of critical areas functions and values;</u> and b. ((use monitoring data to i)) <u>Inform ((the)) future ((review and updates of its critical areas policies and regulations)) regulatory updates.</u>	Clarification of existing intent.	Updated to match current terminology and recommendations in BAS report.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: Not transmitted as part of the PO. CAO draft: The BAS report appears to require this monitoring and adaptive management framework. This policy could be strengthened to "shall." When asked about if there is a plan to implement this framework, Executive staff indicated that they plan to monitor riparian areas and wetlands, but do not have sufficient funding to stand up a complete program at this time.
Chapter 6 Shorelines						
((S-607 King County should provide options for property-specific technical assistance and tailored applications of shoreline management regulations through Rural Stewardship Plans for single ((family)) detached residential uses in the upland areas of the Rural, Conservancy and Natural Shoreline Environments. Rural Stewardship Plans must be consistent with the goals of the Shoreline Management Act and King County Shoreline Protection and Restoration Plan, and ensure no net loss of shoreline ecological processes and functions.))	Substantive change	To align with proposed repeal of rural stewardship plans in the code.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: Regulatory Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO draft: Rural Stewardship Plans is proposed to be removed in this policy to reflect a planned repeal of these plans in code. A corresponding code change is required to effectuate the repeal. No issues identified.
Chapter 12 Implementation, Amendments and Evaluation						
I-301 King County shall: a. <u>Monitor ((and benchmark)), measure, assess, and report on</u> the progress of the ((Countywide Planning Policies and King County)) Comprehensive Plan toward achieving ((their)) <u>its</u> objectives, inclusive of those relating to <u>growth targets, the environment, development patterns, housing needs, the economy, transportation, ((and)) the provision of public services, and health and social equity outcomes of residents((-)); and</u> b. <u>Use results of such monitoring, measurement, assessment, and reporting to ((encourage)) identify implementation actions and inform policy revisions, as appropriate, to achieve the planning objectives found within the Growth Management Act, Countywide Planning Policies, and ((King County)) Comprehensive Plan;</u> c. <u>Use the most current critical areas data available in measurement, assessment, and reporting to promote environmental protection, while maintaining developable capacity to accommodate growth targets and housing needs.</u>	Clarification of existing intent.	To consolidate intent from E-499p and I-505 regarding impact of environmental regulations on housing capacity, while reflecting current terminology, context, and practice.	n/a	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned implementation of proposal: n/a Description of proposed regulations: n/a Anticipated resource need: n/a Anticipated timeline: n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmittal: No changes were made to this policy in the striker. CAO draft: This policy addresses monitoring and measuring progress on housing and growth capacity. Subsection c. is taken from another policy and involves using data for environmental protection. These topics, although related, are not strongly connected in this policy. Sub c. could be deleted or reframed to focus identifying how measuring environmentally constrained land is used in growth targets.

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<p>CAO VERSION (In legislative markup) ((1-505—King County shall develop, as a part of the buildable lands analysis, a zoning yield and housing production monitoring program to determine whether housing capacity is being lost in the context of compliance with the Endangered Species Act, and shall propose revisions to the Countywide Planning Policies to implement such a program.))</p>	<p>Clarification of existing intent.</p>	<p>Consolidated into I-301, which more accurately reflects current terminology, context, and practice.</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Planned implementation of proposal:</u> n/a • <u>Description of proposed regulations:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated resource need:</u> n/a • <u>Anticipated timeline:</u> n/a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transmittal: This policy was held from Chapter Review Matrix in anticipation of additional CAO changes. • CAO draft: No issues identified.