What GPP 9 is and ... is not

- Part of 2016 Comprehensive Plan Amendments
- New Tribal Chapter in General Policy Plan
- Policy Framework for Tribal Collaboration
- Narrative Only; No Map Changes Proposed
- No Impact to Property Rights
- No Changes to Development Regulations
- No Changes in Jurisdiction
- Implements 2013 Memorandum of Understanding
Presentation Overview

- Summary of April 26, 2016, Briefing
- Structure of the General Policy Plan (GPP)
- Current Policies re: Tribes
- Proposed Tribal Element
- Summary of Project Communication
Briefing (Part 1) Summary

Tribes in Snohomish County

- Stillaguamish Tribe
- Tulalip Indian Reservation
- Sauk-Suiattle Tribe
- Snohomish County Tribal Groups
Tulalip Indian Reservation
Allotment
Different Laws

- Snohomish County –subject to state law
  - Subject to:
    - Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA)
    - Puget Sound Regional Council - Regional Growth Strategy (RGS)

- Tulalip Tribes -not subject to state law
  - Plans and regulates under:
    - Tulalip Tribes Constitution
    - Tribal Law and Ordinances
2013 Memorandum of Understanding

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TULALIP TRIBES AND SNOHOMISH COUNTY ESTABLISHING PROCESS FOR COORDINATED LONG-RANGE PLANNING & INFORMATION SHARING
The Comprehensive Plan

Components:
1. Capital Facilities Plan
2. Transportation Element
3. Parks & Recreation Plan
4. General Policy Plan
The General Policy Plan (GPP)

Chapters
- Population & Employment
- Land Use (Urban/Rural/Resource)
- Housing
- Transportation
- Capital Facilities
- Utilities
- Economic Development
- Natural Environment
- Interjurisdictional Coordination
Current GPP Policies re: Tribes

- Sustainable Lands Strategy Initiative
- Cultural & Archaeological Resource Protection
- Tulalip Reservation Future Land Use Map Designations
Proposal Structure

- Introductory Narrative
- Goals for All Tribes
- Tribal Group Descriptions
- Land Use on the Tulalip Indian Reservation

Tribal Element

Three federally-recognized Indian Tribes, the Sauk-Suiattle Tribe, the Stillaguamish Tribe, and the Tulalip Tribes, occupy areas of present-day Snohomish County. These Tribes and their ancestors are a land and water-based people, part of a larger group of aboriginal Tribes and First Nations known as the Coast Salish peoples, who live around the Salish Sea in what is now Washington State and the Canadian Province of British Columbia. The Coast Salish Tribes and First Nations have lived here since time immemorial, enjoying a landscape rich in natural resources. Coast Salish lifeways are tied to the natural environment of the Pacific Northwest, especially the Salish Sea.

Today the Sauk-Suiattle, Stillaguamish, and the Tulalip Tribes are sovereign nations recognized by the United States government. Each Tribe has its own government with its own governing chart or constitution and set of general laws. These Tribes reserved lands in what is now Snohomish County as Indian reservation homelands. The Tribes have important historic and cultural sites both on and off their reservations. Each Tribe continues to exercise off-reservation rights reserved under treaty with the United States, including the right to fish in usual and accustomed fishing grounds and the right to hunt and gather on open and unclaimed lands.

Snohomish County acknowledges the historic and present-day connection between tribal people and the land base, and recognizes each Tribe’s sovereignty. Snohomish County is committed to partnering with the Tribes to protect and preserve Tribal cultural and treaty resources, the natural environment, and sacred cultural areas.

The relationship between these Tribes and Snohomish County is especially important when activities of county government, particularly land use regulation, have implications for one or more Tribes. This chapter is an important foundation to ensure an enduring relationship between the county and the Tribes based on mutual respect, open communication, and transparency.

Snohomish County recognizes that a strong government-to-government relationship with the Tribes is essential to address issues of mutual concern and to move forward in an atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation to meet the challenges of the 21st century. Snohomish County is committed to supporting tribal efforts to build ever more resilient and connected communities.
Culture

- Goal TE 1: Recognize and support Tribal cultures
- Goal TE 2: Collaborate with Tribes to avoid or minimize adverse impacts to Tribal archaeological and cultural resources

Photo: Tulalip Tribes
Communication & Coordination

- Goal TE 3: The County shall engage in regular and meaningful consultation with Tribal officials in policy decisions that have Tribal implications.

- Goal TE 4: Coordinate with Tribes to establish a framework for cooperative discussion and consultation on issues of mutual concern.
Goal TE 5: Continue to develop and implement cooperative land use planning with the Tulalip Tribes for lands within the exterior boundaries of the Tulalip Indian Reservation.
Project Communication

- MOU Workgroup: Tulalip & County Staff every two weeks
- County & Tribal Leadership: Quarterly Updates
- General Briefings:
  - Snohomish County Tomorrow Planning Advisory Committee
  - Snohomish County Department Heads
- Reservation Residents: Open House March 9, 2016