## Introduction

*(The following text will appear on the launch page for the survey, before the first question.)*

Thank you for participating in this visioning survey. Walla Walla County and the cities of Prescott, Waitsburg and Walla Walla have received a grant from the Department of Ecology to update their existing Shoreline Master Programs (SMP’s) as a coordinated regional effort. The County and cities adopted their original SMP’s in the 1970’s, and few updates have been made since that time.

Your input is valuable and will help the County and cities update their policies and regulations to guide the future of shoreline areas. The following survey questions are specifically about the shorelines of the following rivers, creeks and Bennington Lake (see map):

* Snake River
* Columbia River
* Walla Walla River
* Touchet River
* Mill Creek
* Yellowhawk Creek (between Cottonwood Creek and the Walla Walla River)
* Bennington Lake

Thank you!

## Survey Questions

1. **Which area of Walla Walla County are you a resident of?**

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| * City of Prescott | * Burbank |
| * City of Waitsburg | * Other areas in Walla Walla County |
| * City of Walla Walla | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

1. **Do you own property or live along any of the following rivers and streams in Walla Walla County and the Cities of Prescott, Waitsburg, and Walla Walla? (check all that apply)**

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| * Snake River * Columbia River | * Mill Creek – Within City of Walla Walla * Mill Creek – Outside City of Walla Walla |
| * Walla Walla River * Touchet River – Within City of Waitsburg * Touchet River – Outside City of Waitsburg * Yellowhawk Creek – From Cottonwood Creek to the Walla Walla River | * I do not live or own property in any of these areas. |

1. **In what ways do you enjoy the shorelines along the specified rivers, creeks, and Bennington Lake? (Mark all that apply).**

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| * Wildlife viewing/bird watching/nature observation * Hiking/walking/jogging/bicycling * Parks or recreation areas (including picnic and swimming area) * Hunting * Watercraft activities (fishing, boating, kayaking, wind surfing, sailing, etc.) * Streambank Fishing * Views and general enjoyment * Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

1. **How frequently do you use the specified rivers, creeks, and Bennington Lake for any of the above activities?**

* Every day
* At least weekly
* At least monthly
* Several times a year
* Once a year or less.

1. **What types of uses would you like to see more of along the specified rivers, creeks, and Bennington Lake? Please indicate how important these uses are to you below.**

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|  | Very Important | Moderately Important | Not Important | No Opinion |
| Natural areas for wildlife viewing, hunting, and environmental protection | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Trails for hiking, walking, and bicycling | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Parks and recreation areas | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Docks, boat ramps, and launching areas for watercraft | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Stream bank fishing access points | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Scenic viewpoints | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |

1. **What types of uses would you like to see more of along Mill Creek within the Walla Walla city limits? Please rate the level of priority for each type of use.**

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|  | High Priority | Medium Priority | Low Priority | No Opinion |
| Shoreline residences | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Restaurants and entertainment uses | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Commercial uses with public access to the shoreline | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Parks and open space | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |

1. **What types of uses would you like to see more of along the Touchet River within the Waitsburg city limits? Please rate the level of priority for each type of use.**

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|  | High Priority | Medium Priority | Low Priority | No Opinion |
| Shoreline residences | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Restaurants and entertainment uses | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Commercial uses with public access to the shoreline | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Parks and open space | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |

1. **Do you have any other suggestions for specific types of uses you would like to see on other shorelines in Walla Walla County and the Cities of Prescott, Waitsburg, and Walla Walla?**

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1. **How would you rate the amount of physical public access to the shorelines of the following?**

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|  | Too  Much | Adequate | Too  Little | No Opinion |
| Snake River – Burbank Area | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Snake River – Upper Area | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Columbia River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Walla Walla River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Touchet River – Within City of Waitsburg | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Touchet River – Outside Waitsburg | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Mill Creek – Within City of Walla Walla | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Mill Creek – Upstream of City of Walla Walla | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Mill Creek – Downstream from City of Walla Walla | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Yellowhawk Creek – From Cottonwood Creek to the Walla Walla River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Bennington Lake | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |

1. **Do any of the following shorelines have natural areas that you feel should be conserved or poor environmental conditions that should be corrected (erosion, invasive species, impaired water quality, etc.)? Please check all that apply.**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Conserve Natural Areas | Poor Environmental Conditions | No Opinion |
| Snake River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Columbia River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Walla Walla River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Touchet River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Mill Creek | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Yellowhawk Creek – From Cottonwood Creek to the Walla Walla River | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Bennington Lake | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |

1. **Are there specific shoreline locations that you feel should be conserved or that would benefit from correction of poor environmental conditions?**

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1. **Do you have any other suggestions that could help us as we update the shoreline regulations for Walla Walla County and the cities of Prescott, Waitsburg, and Walla Walla?**

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## “Thank You” Page

*(The following text will appear after respondents submit their survey.)*

Thank you again for participating in the visioning survey. Your input is important to this process, and we welcome your further involvement. Please consider attending one of the upcoming community visioning meetings in Touchet, Waitsburg, or Walla Walla. Times and locations for these meetings are available on the SMP Update website at: <http://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/departments/comms/ShorelineMasterProgramUpdate.shtml>