

## Proposed changes to the SMP

### Non-conforming residential structures

- Per legislative rule, local jurisdictions are allowed to classify legally established residential structures and appurtenant structures as conforming even if they do not meet dimensional or bulk standards

### Updated exemption rules

- Updated cost thresholds for substantial development and dock replacement

### Vegetation Conservation

- Added regulation to implement existing policy which discourages new lawns within shoreline buffers and further clarified when native planting within buffers is required

### Water Quality

- Added regulation to implement existing policy which discourages pesticide, herbicide, and fertilizer usage on lawns within shoreline buffers

### Codification

- The existing SMP regulations are proposed for codification as Chapter 16.05 CMC Shoreline Policies

### Shoreline Policies

- Moved relevant shoreline policies to the Shoreline Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan



Other changes to the SMP can be viewed on the City's Shoreline Master Program website:

<http://www.covingtonwa.gov/SMP/index.php>