**Q&A: Shoreline Master Program Review**

1. Can team members attend the Planning Commission and City Council meetings virtually?

A: We anticipate a mix of in-person and hybrid meetings will be required.

1. Does the public engagement process live with the Shoreline Master Program or the Waterwalk & Sea Level Rise Project process?

A: The SMP. The SMP periodic review requires a public participation program consistent with Ecology Guidelines and SMA procedural rules. Part of that process will involve soliciting input on a range of Sea Level Rise adaptation strategies, including the Port of Port Townsend’s Waterwalk & Sea Level Rise Project, to inform the preparation of related revisions to be considered for the SMP amendment (e.g. Chapter 5 Shoreline Environments, Chapter 7 Public Access, Chapter 9.7 Shoreline Stabilization & Flood Protection Works, etc.).

1. Looking for additional clarity regarding the public engagement component: what is the intent of the public engagement? Is there a plan for how to engage the Port of Port Townsend with the City of Port Townsend? There is also a difference in how far the Waterwalk extends for the City (up to Point Hudson) – would that be considered/managed in the SMP scope separately from the Waterwalk project?

A: As noted above, the public participation program is for the SMP periodic review as a whole, including focused input for specific amendment topics. The Port’s Waterwalk & Sea Level Rise Project is a potential project on the horizon that we need to anticipate as part of this amendment. Our goal is to ensure the community feels welcome to express views on the Port’s proposal as well as other appropriate adaptation strategies. For the purposes of this scope of work we are differentiating the more limited “Port’s Waterwalk & Sea Level Rise Project” project area (from the bluff at west end of the Boat Haven to the bluff near the intersection of Water Street and East Sims Way by the WSDOT ferry dock) from the more extensive City “waterwalk” referenced in the shoreline master program (which spans the entire south shore from Boat Haven to Point Hudson). We envision the city hosting a public meeting(s) seeking input on the City’s overall waterwalk area with a focus on adaptation strategies for the Port’s smaller project area. Port staff have agreed that they and their consultants will partner with us on the focused meeting(s) – presenting preliminary project designs and fielding questions.