



Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title *Field not completed.*

First Name avery

Last Name maverick

Today's Date 1/9/2024

Street Address

██████████

City Bellingham

Zip 98229

Do you live in Whatcom County? Yes

Do you have a different mailing address? *Field not completed.*

Primary Telephone

██████████

Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

Email Address

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Step 2

1. Name of Advisory Group Marine Resource Committee

Marine Resource Committee Relevant Scientific Experience
Position:

2. Do you meet the residency, Yes
employment, and/or affiliation
requirements of the position
for which you're applying?

3. Which Council district do you District 2
live in?

4. Have you ever been a No
member of this Advisory Group

5. Do you or your spouse have No
a financial interest in or are you
an employee or officer of any
business or agency that does
business with Whatcom
County?

6. Have you declared candidacy No
(as defined by RCW
42.17A.055) for a paid elected
office in any jurisdiction within
the county?

You may attach a resume or [Maverick Resume_01_09_24_WCMRC.pdf](#)
detailed summary of
experience, qualifications, &
interest in response to the
following questions

7. Please describe your I am a coastal geologist at Natural Systems Design + Coastal Geologic Services here
occupation (or former in Bellingham. I received my masters degree in coastal geology from Western
occupation if retired), Washington University while working with my advisor Dr. Eric Grossman of the United
qualifications, professional States Geologic Survey studying coastal bluff erosion, sediment transport, and wave
runup in Puget Sound. I also have a bachelors degree in geology from University of
Oregon. I am a licensed geologist in the Washington State and am also UAV licensed

and/or community activities,
and education

operator and an approved biologist by WDFW.

Through my work as a coastal geologist I have completed several sea level rise vulnerability assessments, including one for all of Puget Sound, and also assisted in the Whatcom County Compound Flood Vulnerability Assessment. I have worked on many nearshore restoration projects, such as bulkhead removals, as well as some local projects including Little Squalicum Estuary, Boulevard Park Beach, Salish Landing, Birch Bay Berm, and Way Point Park. Additionally, I work with the Northwest Straits Foundation to conduct Shore Friendly site assessments all across Puget Sound including dozens in Whatcom County.

8. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this Advisory Group.

I am passionate about protecting and managing shorelines and would like to join the advisory group to be more apart of the marine protection and restoration locally in Whatcom County. I feel that I would be able to provide informed feedback and recommendations on policies and plans that may impact marine resources through my experience working with government agencies, non-profits, and directly with homeowners in Puget Sound and specifically in Whatcom County. There are a lot of complex marine issues in Whatcom County and I would like be apart of working on finding feasible, sustainable, and creative solutions. If the scientific vacancy is unavailable, I hope to listen in on the monthly meetings regardless.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Lisa Kaufman - Director of Programs with the Northwest Straits Foundation, [REDACTED] - [REDACTED]
Eric Grossman - PhD, Research Geologist with USGS, [REDACTED]
Jim Johannessen - Coastal Geologist, owner of Coastal Geologic Services, [REDACTED] - [REDACTED]

Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

Signature of applicant:

Avery Maverick

Place Signed / Submitted

Bellingham, WA