



Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

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Title *Field not completed.*

First Name Kathryn

Last Name Ketteridge

Today's Date 10/13/2019

Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? Yes

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

Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

1. Name of Board or Committee **Marine Resource Committee**

Marine Resource Committee Position: Relevant Scientific Experience

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

3. Which Council district do you live in? District 1

4. Are you a US citizen? Yes

5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? Yes

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

7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission? No

8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? Yes

If yes, please explain I work for Anchor QEA, which has in the past done some work for Whatcom County. I do not personally do any work for Whatcom County at this time.

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education I am a senior managing coastal engineer with Anchor QEA at present. I have about 20 years of experience in that field; working in academic, non-profit, and consulting environments. I have a B.S. in Civil Engineering and a M.E. and Ph.D. in Ocean Engineering. I am serving currently on the ASCE Sea Level Change Subcommittee and will be a primary author on the guidance document being developed by that group (geared towards resiliency design guidance for ports). I have been involved in marine focused research and projects on the Atlantic, Pacific, and Gulf Coasts, and have focused on the Puget Sound area for the last decade. I have been in Bellingham since 2008.

10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission I am passionate about conserving and restoring the marine environment. Based on 20 years of experience working in the coastal science/engineering field, I have a practical understanding of how our marine resources are used and valued by governmental entities, industry, tribes, and the general public (and many others). These uses and values are often contrary to each other, and it is challenging to find the right balance to ensure that these resources will be around when my children are my age. My kids are now older (two off to college, one in high school), and I have more time to focus on giving back to my community. I value and admire the work conducted by the MRC, and feel that my technical background could be of value to the group. Thank you for your consideration.

Signature of applicant: Kathy Ketteridge

Place Signed / Submitted Bellingham, WA