

**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application  
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## Board and Commission Application

### Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

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#### Public Statement

*THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission 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.*

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Title Mr.

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First Name Stevan

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Last Name Harrell

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Today's Date 11/17/2022

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Street Address [REDACTED]

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City [REDACTED]

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Zip [REDACTED]

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

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

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Primary Telephone [REDACTED]

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Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

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Email Address [REDACTED]

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### Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee Climate Impact Advisory Committee

Climate Impact Advisory Committee Position:	I have previous work or educational experience in climate change.
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?	Yes
If yes, please list dates:	December 2020-Present
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?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, &	<i>Field not completed.</i>

interest in response to the following questions

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9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

Retired Professor of Environmental and Forest Sciences, UW Seattle. 5-year Bellingham Resident. Activities listed below under "why I am interested."

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10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission

I have been active in local climate action since 2019, when I interviewed a large number of people in agriculture and related industries for the Climate Impacts Advisory Committee's Community Research Project. I was appointed to the committee in December 2020, and am eager to continue my work for a full term. Work I have done for or in conjunction with the Committee includes:

Writing or co-writing three chapters of the Climate Action Plan adopted by the Council in 2021

Writing articles on climate change-related topics for Cascadia Daily, Salish Current, Lynden Tribune, Whatcom Watch, and Northern Light.

Maintaining an unofficial Twitter account at @climatewhatcom, where I post a variety of information related to climate change.

Conducting a research project on design of a potential public-facing climate data dashboard for the County website

Organizing and participating in a webinar on Heat Pumps for the City of Bellingham's All in for Climate Action Week.

Working with a group of local high school students to develop materials to motivate young people to work toward climate resilience.

Representing CIAC on the interview committee for the Special Initiatives Director in the Executive's Office

Participating in the interviews for the two finalists for the position of Climate Action Manager in the Public Works Department.

Serving as informal liaison between the CIAC and the Food Systems Committee

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References (please include daytime telephone number):

Ellyn Murphy, Chair, CIAC 509 554-6203

Henry Bierlink, Chair, Agricultural Water Board and WA State Raspberry Commission 360-354-1337

John Steensma, Dairy Farmer 360 739-2869

Lisa Wilson, Lummi Nation Natural Resources and Lummi Indian Business Council member 360 312-2298

Charlie Maliszewski, former RE Sources board chair 360 305-2781

Sharon Shewmake, Representative and Senator Elect, 42nd district 850 591-0202

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Signature of applicant:

Stevan Harrell

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Place Signed /  
Submitted

Bellingham, WA

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