



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF HEARING before the Board of County Commissioners, in the matter of the proposed 2024 annual amendments to the Benton County Comprehensive Plan; pursuant to Washington State Planning Law RCW 36.70A.130.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that public comment will be taken on the following proposed amendments to the Benton County Comprehensive Plan before the Board of County Commissioners on May 14, 2024, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, Benton County Administration Building, 7122 W. Okanogan Place, Building E, 3rd Floor, Suite E-303 Kennewick, WA. At this hearing, the Board of County Commissioners may approve, or disapprove the amendments.

**CPA 2024-001** - A proposal by Benton County to amend two (2) sections of the Benton County Comprehensive Plan related to the Open Space Conservation Land Use Designation. The application proposes to amend Section 3.3.5 and table 3.4.

**CPA 2024-002** - A proposal by Spink Engineering on behalf of the City of Benton City to amend the land use designation of two (2) parcels in the Benton County Comprehensive Plan. The application proposes to amend the current land use designation of Rural Industrial for both parcels to a land use designation of Public for parcel 1-1396-401-1991-002 and a designation of Rural Remote for parcel 1-1394-401-1991-001.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments have been reviewed under the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act and Determinations of Non-Significance (DNS) were issued on February 21, 2024 for both CPA 2024-001 and CPA 2024-002. Accordingly, Environmental Impact Statements were not required for these proposals. Any comments regarding these determinations and the environmental impacts of the proposals can be made at the Board of County Commissioners hearing or in writing to the Benton County Planning Division by 3 p.m. on Monday May 13, 2024.

To continue to provide citizens access to public meetings, Benton County in addition to in person attendance, will also be providing telephonic and video access for the public to view and provide testimony at public meetings. To find information on virtual attendance options, including streaming video, WebEx video conferencing and telephone, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/BENCOHRG>

Comments regarding the proposed amendments or SEPA determinations of the proposals may also be submitted in writing to the Benton County Planning Division; 102206 E Wiser Parkway, Kennewick WA 99338 or via email to [planning.department@co.benton.wa.us](mailto:planning.department@co.benton.wa.us) by 3 p.m. Monday, May 13, 2024. No individual with a disability shall be denied the benefit of participating in such meetings. If you wish to use auxiliary aids or require assistance to comment at a public meeting, please contact the Benton County Planning Division at least ten days prior to the meeting date to make arrangements for special needs.

Information concerning the applications can be obtained at the Benton County Planning Division, by calling 736-3086 (Tri-Cities) or 786-5612 (Prosser) or by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/pubnotice>  
Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

Jerome Delvin, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

Michelle Mercer, Manager  
Planning Division

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