

Merrill, Hannah

From: Center for Community Design [carol@centerforcommunitydesign.org]
Sent: Monday, March 14, 2011 2:58 PM
To: Merrill, Hannah
Cc: Carol Gentry; Richard Kielbon
Subject: Clallam Co. SMP Focus Group Follow-up

Hannah,

Should we have directed this to Steve and Cathy first?

Thanks,
Mike

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From: Merrill, Hannah [mailto:HMerrill@co.clallam.wa.us]
Sent: Monday, March 14, 2011 1:27 PM
To: Michael Gentry
Cc: Gray, Steve; Lear, Cathy
Subject: RE: Clallam Co. SMP Focus Group Follow-up

Thank you for your thoughts Michael.

I am forwarding you message on to our Planning Manager regarding how Ctr of Community Design might assist.

-Hannah

From: Michael Gentry [mailto:michael@gentryarchitecture.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 6:49 PM
To: Merrill, Hannah
Cc: 'Carol Gentry'; 'Richard'; 'STUART J. BONNEY AIA'
Subject: RE: Clallam Co. SMP Focus Group Follow-up

Merrill,

I would be really interested in knowing what portion of the population actually has even an elementary understanding of what's going on with this planning process, the decisions being made and how those will effect the common citizen. There's no doubt this is a very thorough and elemental approach to trying to include as many people as possible but one needs a lot of time and analytical concentration just to begin to understand the relationships of all this data, maps, strategies, etc.

Public process and community understanding of these issues is going to need to evolve into more "hands on" techniques and approaches to sharing all this information. When I look at the graphics and presentation of this material I can only imagine how difficult it is the most people to comprehend what it really means.

The Center for Community Design is available to share some of the discoveries we have made and approaches being taken in other fields that may be of help to you. Have you considered

asking other community resources like ours to assist you in this regard? I would be glad to talk to you about it if you are interested.

Thanks,

Michael T. Gentry AIA LEED AP
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