

**LEWIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
SHORELINE VARIANCE PERMIT**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION: August 7, 2024

PUBLIC 30-DAY COMMENT PERIOD: Lewis County received an application on June 27, 2024, for the following project(s) and you are invited to comment on the proposed project. Written comments may be submitted on this application by **September 6, 2024 by 5:00 pm**. Written Comments should be submitted to the Community Development Department at the address listed below.

FILE NO(S): SHD24-0002 & SHE24-0020

TAX PARCEL NO.: 011030034000

PROJECT: A variance to reduce the 150-foot shoreline buffer of Big Creek to construct a single-family residence with associated utilities and new gravel driveway. The variance request is to reduce the 150-foot shoreline buffer to 36 feet for the residence and 81 feet for the septic drainfield. A No Net Loss of Ecological Function Report and Mitigation Plan has been prepared for the reduced setback from Big Creek.

The documents can be viewed online by using the following link:

<https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/community-development/current-planning-applications/>

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located in Section 36, Township 15N, Range 06E within the shoreline jurisdiction of Big Creek. Lewis County's 2021 Shoreline Master Program designates this area of Big Creek as Shoreline Residential Environment.

PROJECT APPLICANT:

Mark Welsh
Big Foot Cabins LLC
4820 235th St E
Spanaway, WA 98397

Any person may submit written comments on the proposal or call for additional information. Written comments should be mailed, delivered or email prior to the comment deadline to:

Lewis County Community Development
Attn. Preston Pinkston, Planner
125 NW Chehalis Ave
Chehalis, WA 98532
(360) 740-1389
preston.pinkston@lewiscountywa.gov

PUBLIC HEARING: An open record hearing will be scheduled before the Lewis County Hearing Examiner after comments have been reviewed and after the conclusion of the public 30-day shoreline notice of application comment period. The shoreline hearing will be scheduled in a virtual only format through the Zoom meeting platform due to the on-going pandemic. The scheduled public hearing date is also dependent on the applications ahead of this one, which are currently under review.

A Notice of Public Hearing for this shoreline application will be issued after the comment period is complete and at least 30 days prior to any scheduled Public Hearing date. The notice will establish the date, time and Zoom log-in information of this virtual public hearing. Persons on the notice of application mailing list will be sent a public hearing notice, as will any other persons that provide written comments during the public 30-day notice of application comment period.

SEPA: Lewis County is Lead Agency for this proposal and it is exempt for SEPA review under WAC 197-11-800(1)(b)(i) and LCC 17.110.090(1)(a).