

Adams County VSP Work Group Formation and Upcoming Meetings Announcement

Adams County is beginning the process to develop the County's Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP). The VSP is a new approach approved and funded by the state legislature that can change the nature of current critical areas regulation within Adams County's agricultural areas by allowing critical areas to be watershed-based, using a collaborative stewardship planning process that relies on incentive-based practices for protecting critical areas, promoting viable agriculture, and encouraging cooperation among diverse stakeholders.

Adams County is forming a Work Group to help develop and oversee implementation of a VSP Work Plan that will promote both the viability of agriculture and voluntary stewardship actions. Work Group meetings are open to the public and will occur on the second Tuesday of each month from 11 am to 1 pm at the Adams County Building and Planning Office, located at 425 E Main Street, Othello WA 99344, in the Adams County Services Building. The first Work Group meeting will be held on:

Tuesday, September 13, 2016
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Adams County Building and Planning Office
425 E Main, Suite 200
Othello, WA 99344

For a complete list of meeting dates and additional information, visit the County's VSP website:
http://www.co.adams.wa.us/departments/building_and_planning/volunteer_stewardship_program.php

Additionally, Adams County is seeking additional volunteers to serve on the VSP Work Group. If you are interested in being part of the Adams County VSP Work Group please contact: **Loren Wiltse, Adams County Building and Planning Director**, lorenw@co.adams.wa.us, **(509) 488-9441**.