Bellingham's Waterfront Redevelopment Project Public Involvement Phases

2002-2012 Moving from high-level visioning to review and comment on specific plans

	2002-2004 Waterfront Futures Group High-Level Visioning	2005-2010 Waterfront Advisory Group Draft Master Plan Adoption of Final EIS Refinement of Vision	2011-2013 Subarea Plan Refinement & Adoption Planning Commission, City Council, Port Commission	2011-2013 Related Legal Agreements Adoption by City Council, Port Commission
Public Participation Goal	**Collaborate** To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.	**Involve** To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.	**Consult** To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or major decisions.	**Inform** To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.
Promise to the Public	We will look to you for advice and innovation in formatting solutions and incorporate your advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.	We work with you to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will keep you informed.
	✓WFG held 41 public meetings and had 26 guest forums and special events.	**✓WAG held 51 public meetings .** **✓Port and City hosted 23 community workshops.** **✓Project updates at 93 Port Commission meetings & 51 City Council meetings.** **✓Port had 215 additional stakeholder meetings.** **✓8 EIS meeting & public hearings**	**Proposed Before Plan Submittal** **❑ Joint Commission/Council Meeting Update** **❑ Community Open House Update** **Required After Plan Submittal** **❑ Planning Commission Public Meetings & Public Hearings** **❑ City Council Meetings & Public Hearings** **❑ Port Commission Meetings & Public Hearings**	**❑ Joint Commission/Council Meeting Update** **❑ City Council Meetings** **❑ Port Commission Meetings**

GOAL: City Council & Port Commission Adoption of a Subarea Plan & Related Agreements