



Jefferson County Marine Resources Committee Vacancies (Sept 2019)

The Jefferson County Marine Resources Committee (MRC) currently has openings for the following volunteer positions on the MRC:

- **District 1 Representative & Alternate** (See map below)
- **District 3 Rep**
- **Environmental Interests & Alternate**
- **Commercial or Economic Interests (Alternate)**
- **Marine Science Practitioner**

The MRC advises the Board of Commissioners on issues related to the marine resources of East Jefferson County and sponsors projects that reflect local priorities. Applicants should have demonstrated interest, experience and/or affiliation with marine and shoreline-related activities, organizations or businesses. The following are of particular interest: familiarity with water quality issues, communication skills, maritime trades or marine-related businesses, restoration/conservation practitioner experience and educational interests.

Volunteers serve four-year terms. MRC members are expected to attend monthly evening meetings. Alternates for each position participate in all MRC meetings, discussions and activities and vote on issues when the Representative for that position is absent.

For more information about the MRC, visit <https://www.jeffersonmrc.org>. Applicants must submit a letter of interest and an MRC Application Form. Positions are open until filled. For more information or to download an Application, go to our website or **contact Cheryl Lowe** (email cheryl.lowe@wsu.edu or call 360-379-5610 x 230.) The selection committee will begin reviewing applications for the above positions on **Sept. 30, 2019**.

Who We Are and What We Do



The MRC is a project-based, citizen advisory group appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. Committee members represent the diverse interests of the community, including the three Commissioner Districts, environmental Interests, recreational Interests, marine science Interests, commercial Interests, and local government agencies.

The MRC is part of the Northwest Straits Initiative (www.nwstraits.org). The Jefferson MRC's focus area

includes the marine waters and nearly 200 miles of shoreline from Brinnon to Gardiner. The group addresses issues related to marine life, habitats and water quality by providing advice to the BOCC and through science-based actions, stewardship projects and public outreach. MRC members decide which local projects are funded each year. Current areas of interest include stormwater & rain gardens, native oyster restoration, kelp, forage fish, eelgrass and nearshore restoration.

Members must commit to attending monthly meetings, participate in project work groups, review and respond to emerging issues, maintain email correspondence between meetings and respect diverse views. No experience is required, but previous involvement with civic process and marine natural resources is greatly appreciated.

Still not sure? Consider attending one of our monthly meetings to find out more about our group! See our website for meeting details. Thanks again for your interest.

