TACOMA’S EAST THEA FOSS WATERWAY

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Planning Context: Shoreline Management Act

- Water-Oriented Uses
- Public Access
- Environmental Protection
Planning Context
Foss Waterway Vision
Contested Spaces

- Boundary changes
- Existing versus planned uses
- Transportation
Our Process

- Public workshops – test hypotheses
- East Foss Working Group
- Implementer’s Group
- Waterfront Lands Analysis
- Shoreline Inventory
Water Depths and Uses

[Map showing water depths and uses with various color codes for different depth categories.]
Foss Waterway Vision
Contested Spaces

- Gentrification concerns
- Public access
- Nuisance
Outcomes

Pulling Apart the Master Plan

- Uses
- Public Access
- Design Guidelines
Outcomes

Development Regulations

- Protecting water-dependent uses
  - Public Access – Flexibility for industrial uses
  - Views – Give priority to uses over views
  - Building Code – Noise, orientation
  - Transportation – East D Street as a barrier
  - Rezone NE Foss Waterfront – To Port Industrial
Overcoming the Past

- Acknowledgement
- Representation
- Finding value
- Avoiding the tyranny of ‘vision’