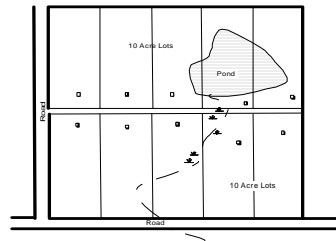




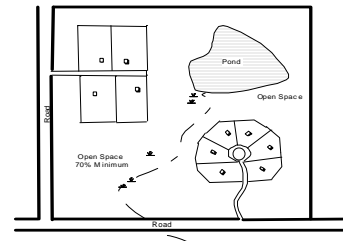
Public Invited to Workshops on Rural Cluster Development

In 2002 Spokane County adopted rural residential clustering provisions to provide an alternative to conventional large-lot zoning. Rural clustering encourages the grouping of smaller lots on areas of the site that are best suited for development, while retaining the remainder of the site as open space. The open space parcel can provide protection for wildlife habitat or in some cases can preserve viable agricultural use.

Changes to the cluster regulations are being considered based on input and concern from citizens. The Spokane County Department of Building and Planning will be hosting the following workshops on the proposed changes:



Traditional Rural Development



Rural Cluster Development

April 2, 2009 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	April 9, 2009 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	April 16, 2009 1:00 pm
Cheney Public Library 610 First Street Cheney, WA	Green Bluff Grange 9809 E. Green Bluff Road Colbert, WA 99005	Spokane County Public Works Building Commissioners Hearing Room 1026 W. Broadway Avenue Spokane, WA 99260

The workshops are intended to provide information on the proposal and solicit citizen input. Following the workshops, the Spokane County Planning Commission will schedule and hold a public hearing on the proposed changes and will forward a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. The County Commissioners may accept the Planning Commission's recommendation and adopt the changes or may choose to have an additional public hearing to consider the matter.

The proposed revisions are detailed in a planning report which is available on the Spokane County website at <http://www.spokanecounty.org/bp> or can be obtained by contacting the Building and Planning Department. For more information, please contact Steve Davenport, AICP, Senior Planner, Spokane County Department of Building and Planning at (509) 477-7221, sdavenport@spokanecounty.org.