



### **Cascade Natural Gas is Interested in Shelter Bay**

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, representatives of Shelter Bay Community (SBC), the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community (SITC), and Cascade Natural Gas (CNG) met to discuss the possibility of extending natural gas service into Shelter Bay and adjoining parts of the Swinomish Village.

According to CNG and independent information sources, the benefit to having natural gas service is that it could offer substantial savings in energy costs for Members and even increase the value of their homes, but these potential benefits would likely come at some cost. CNG is willing to provide funding up to \$3,275/home for main line and service line installation. Whether this will be enough funding to cover all installation costs to participating homes depends largely on the number of homes willing to sign up for service and their locations. The only way to determine the feasibility and cost of the project is to conduct a survey of all homes in Shelter Bay.

**To ascertain the Community's interest in this potential utility option, you can complete the survey directly, by clicking [HERE](#). We strongly encourage that you complete the survey online, which helps streamline the data processing and ensures that your responses are recorded accurately and securely.**

**Completed Surveys must be submitted by **April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019**.** Once the responses are compiled, Shelter Bay will forward results to Cascade Natural Gas and share the information with the Membership. It is the intention of CNG and SITC to begin construction this year and to have natural gas service by the beginning of the 2019 heating season.