

LINKS TO INFORMATION ABOUT SALMON RECOVERY AND HABITAT RESTORATION

INFORMATION ABOUT SALMON AND TROUT

Salmon in Whatcom County <http://whatcomsalmon.wsu.edu/salmon-other.html>

Information about the life cycle and distribution of salmon and trout in Whatcom County

Salmon Information Center <http://www.salmoninfo.org/>

Salmon Smart <http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/outreach/salmon/salmonsmart/>

A guide to help people help salmon from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Salmon Facts <http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/outreach/fishing/salmon.htm>

An informational guide from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Salmon Identification <http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wlr/waterres/salmon/id.htm>

StreamNet <http://www.streamnet.org/>

Data and maps in support of the region's Fish and Wildlife Program and other efforts to manage and restore the region's aquatic resources.

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife <http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/habitat.htm>

Information about Salmon habitat

SALMON RECOVERY

Endangered Species Act Salmon Recovery Planning <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/Salmon-Recovery-Planning/Recovery-Strategy.cfm>

Information on the Endangered Species Act listing of salmon and the salmon recovery planning strategy of NOAA Fisheries.

Puget Sound Partnership <http://www.psp.wa.gov/>

In July 2007, the Puget Sound Partnership began work. The new state agency replaces the Puget Sound Action Team and the Shared Strategy for Puget Sound

Shared Strategy for Puget Sound <http://www.sharedsalmonstrategy.org/>

A collaborative effort to coordinate salmon recovery efforts around Puget Sound.

Puget Sound Recovery Plan <http://www.sharedsalmonstrategy.org/plan/index.htm>

Nooksack Watershed Salmon Recovery <http://whatcomsalmon.whatcomcounty.org/>

WRIA 1 Management Project <http://wria1project.wsu.edu/>

The City of Bellingham is a partner in the WRIA 1 Watershed Management Project which is developing plans for allocating water, protecting water quality, and restoring fish habitat throughout the WRIA (Water Resource Inventory Area).

Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association <http://www.n-sea.org/>

A community-based nonprofit organization dedicated to restoring sustainable wild salmon runs in Whatcom County.

Puget Sound Shoreline Stewardship Guidebook <http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wlr/watersheds/puget/puget-sound-guidebook.htm>

This guidebook is for you if live on or own beachfront property on Puget Sound and are you wondering how to protect your property while preserving its beauty and ecological value.

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT

NOAA Fisheries Office of Protected Species <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/laws/esa/>

Puget Sound Chinook Salmon <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/ESA-Salmon-Listings/Salmon-Populations/Chinook/CKPUG.cfm>

Information on the status of the Puget Sound Chinook ESU and links to listing documents

Puget Sound Steelhead Trout <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/ESA-Salmon-Listings/Salmon-Populations/Steelhead/STPUG.cfm>

Information on the status of the Puget Sound Steelhead Trout DPS and links to listing documents

Bull Trout Homepage <http://www.fws.gov/pacific/bulltrout/>

Information on the status of the bull trout and links to listing documents

NATIVE PLANTS/INVASIVE SPECIES

Whatcom Conservation District <http://www.whatcomcd.org/>

Provides technical assistance and conservation education to foster healthy relationships between the environment and people.

Washington Association of Conservation Districts Plant Materials Center <http://www.wacd.org/PMC/>

The mission of the WACD Plant Materials Center is to provide high quality conservation grade plants, shrubs and services that benefit natural resources.

Native Plant Identification Database <http://gardening.wsu.edu/nwnative/>

Northwest Native Plant Guide <http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wlr/pi/go-native/index.aspx>

Natural Yard Care Brochure <http://www.metrokc.gov/dnrp/swd/naturalyardcare/index.asp>

This page lays out five straightforward steps to making your piece of the planet a healthier place to live for both people and fish. A cooperative effort of King County, Seattle, and the Saving Water Partnership.

Backyard Habitat <http://www.nwf.org/backyard/>

Information from the national Wildlife Federation on gardening to benefit native wildlife

Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board <http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/>

Information on identification and control of invasive non-native plant species

WATER QUALITY

Washington Department of Ecology <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/wqhome.html>

Information on Ecology's Water Quality program

Clean Water Act 303(d) List http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/links/wq_assessments.html

Washington State's Water Quality Assessment lists the water quality status for a particular location in one of 5 categories recommended by EPA. Links to TMDLs including Whatcom Creek and lake Whatcom

EPA Water Quality Monitoring <http://www.epa.gov/owow/monitoring/>

Our nation's waters are monitored by state, federal, and local agencies, universities, dischargers, and volunteers. Water quality data are used to characterize waters, identify trends over time, identify emerging problems, determine whether pollution control programs are working, help direct pollution control efforts to where they are most needed, and respond to emergencies such as floods and spills.