PUGET SOUND PARTNERSHIP

Accelerating the effort to recover and sustain Puget Sound

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In 2007 the Washington State Legislature created the Puget Sound Partnership with these 6 goals:

1. Healthy human population
2. Vibrant quality of life
3. Thriving species and food web
4. Protected and restored habitat
5. Abundant water quantity
6. Healthy water quality
VISION
Vibrant, enduring natural systems and communities

MISSION
Accelerate the collective effort to recover and sustain the Puget Sound
The Partnership serves as:

- **The backbone organization** for Puget Sound recovery, providing the infrastructure needed for diverse partners to develop and adaptively manage a common vision over time
- A non-regulatory agency
- The regional salmon recovery organization
- Part of the National Estuary Program
1. CHART THE COURSE
2. MANAGE SHARED MEASURES
3. SUPPORT PARTNERS
WE CHART THE COURSE:

The 2018-2022 Action Agenda for Puget Sound

- Collaboratively developed every 4 years with hundreds of partners
- Presents the big picture
- Identifies recovery priorities
- Includes 600+ near term actions
- Fulfills NEP responsibility
WE MANAGE SHARED MEASURES:

The Puget Sound Vital Signs are measures of ecosystem health and progress toward Puget Sound recovery goals.
WE MANAGE SHARED MEASURES:

State of the Sound

• Published every two years, next version coming out in November 1, 2019
• Presents ecosystem and human well-being status
• Includes a call to action
WE SUPPORT and ENGAGE PARTNERS:

• Mobilize funding
• Address policy issues
• Educate key decision-makers
• Communicate strategically
HOW DO WE DO IT?

- Collaborative governance
- Strong local structures
- Influence decision-making at multiple scales
- Incorporating partner efforts
Ways to Engage

- Puget Sound Vital Signs revision workshop: Thursday, October 10th
  10:15 –2:45 in Kingston
- Engage in our 2022-2026 Action Agenda development
- Participate in an Implementation Strategies work group or technical group
- Participate in or coordinate with your local representative to your subregion’s LIO
  (S Central LIO, Sno-Stilly LIO, W Sound Ecosystem Recovery Partners, or
  Puyallup/White River LIO)
  - Local ecosystem recovery plans
  - Near Term Action implementation
  - Near Term Action development
Questions?

Thank you!

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