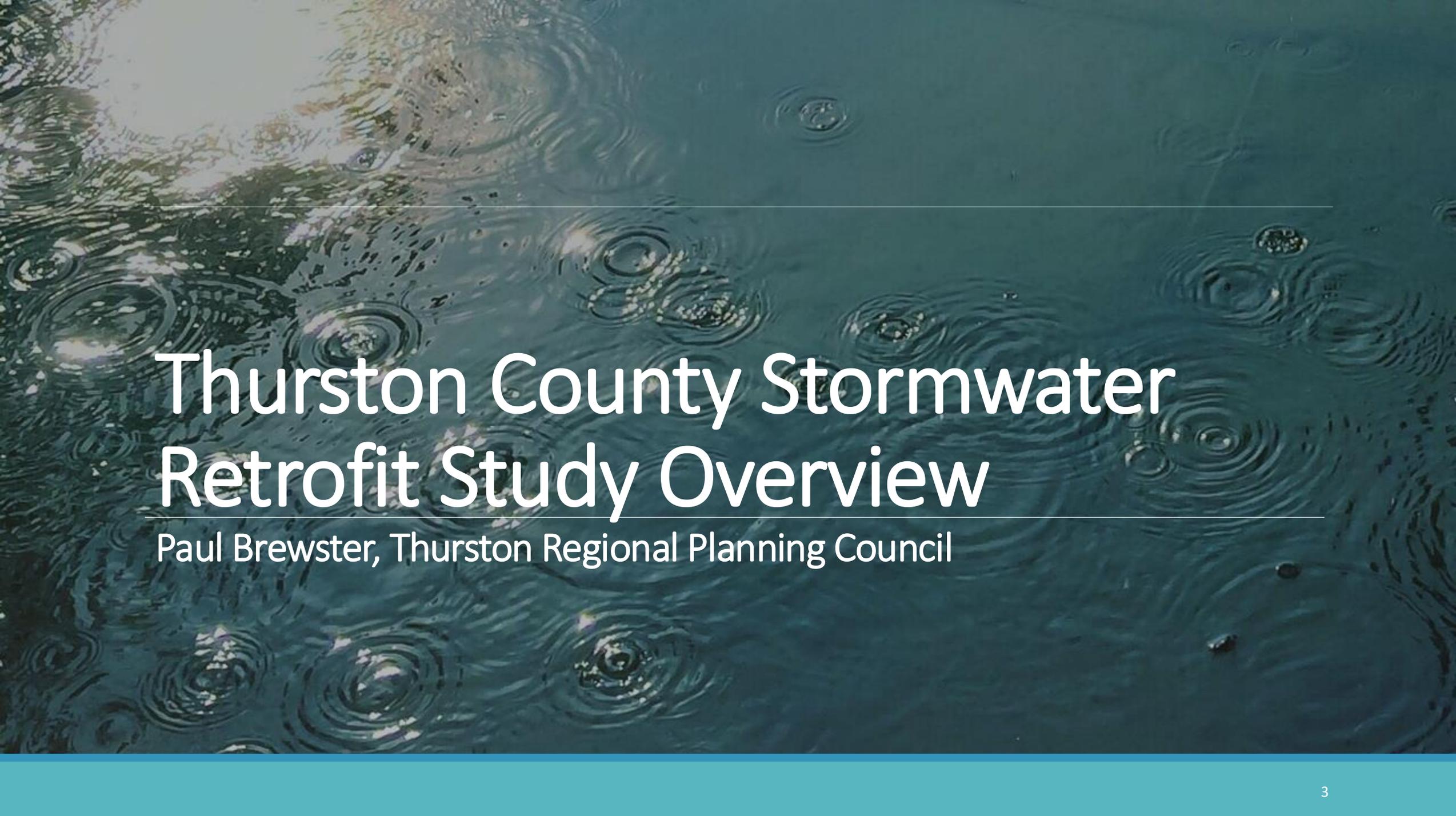


Alliance for a Healthy South Sound LIO Council Meeting

JUNE 26, 2025

Agenda

Time	Session	Speakers
10:00am	Welcome & Get Settled	Elizabeth McManus
10:05am	Thurston County Stormwater Retrofit Study Overview	Paul Brewster
10:35am	Impacts of Stormwater Runoff on Salmon	Nathan Ivy
11:05am	Healthy Shoreline Action Plan Next Steps	Elizabeth McManus
11:25am	AHSS LIO Updates	Elizabeth McManus
11:45am	Round Robin	All
11:55am	Wrap-up & Next Steps	Elizabeth McManus
12:00 - Adjourn and Enjoy the Day!		



Thurston County Stormwater Retrofit Study Overview

Paul Brewster, Thurston Regional Planning Council



Impacts of Stormwater Runoff on Salmon

Nathan Ivy, Washington State University Extension

LIO ACTION PLAN

HEALTHY SHORELINES

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Healthy Shoreline Action Plans – Next Steps

Now: Compile specific and measurable shoreline projects from AHSS partners

July: Determine which projects should be prioritized for an Action Plan

August/September: Develop the Action Plan

Fall: Receive funding to support the identified project

What will Action Plans include

- Clear connection between the local work and the Action Agenda Strategies and Actions, and work needed to enable the local actions
- Clear project/action descriptions (who would like to do what where to achieve what outcome)
 - Distinguish between local and regional actors
- Estimated cost for local work (rough estimates are fine)
- Staff/capacity needs for local work (rough estimates are fine)

Action Plans do not need to be perfect –
adaptively managing them will be an iterative process

Strategies

- **Regulatory Strategy:** Increase and improve shoreline regulation implementation, compliance, enforcement, and communication.
- **Incentives Strategy:** Expand and improve incentives and education for residential property owners to motivate voluntary actions for healthy, climate resilient shorelines.
- **Long-Term Strategic Planning Strategy:** Improve long-term strategic planning to reduce shoreline armoring and increase public access and related human wellbeing benefits.
- **Design Strategy:** Increase and improve coastal process-based design and technical training.
- **Restoration:** Protect and restore prioritized shoreline areas.

Healthy Shoreline Discussion

- What the most important Healthy Shoreline actions to include? Why?
 - DRAFT AA Strategies on the left for reference
- Are there also actions that should be implemented at the state or Puget Sound level?
- Have barriers to these actions been identified; how might these be overcome? (This creates additional actions.)
- Which organizations (local actors) are critical to engage in Action Plan development for shorelines?



AHSS LIO Updates

- South Sound Science Center Updates and Next Steps
- Ecosystem Coordination Board (ECB) Local Forum on November 6, 2025
 - Brainstorm potential topics

Science Questions Identified by the Science Symposium Planning Committee

- Regarding nearshore and shorelines, what modifications related to shoreline armoring are happening? Are the existing land use regulations making an impact on shoreline armoring? If so, which ones are most impactful?
- What is the extent of salmon predation impacts happening in the South Sound?
- What is the carrying capacity of the South Sound? How many salmon of what types could the food chain currently support?
- What are the impacts of plastic on critical marine habitats? Which agencies hold this information and what can be done about it?
- What is the interaction between land use planning and policy and natural resource recovery and restoration? Where are land use regulations and policies aligned with Puget Sound recovery and restoration and where could there be improvements? Is there a difference between imagined impact of “on the books” land use regulations and actual impacts based on implementation?
- What is the extent of knowledge about green corridors in the South Sound? At what rate are green corridors being fragmented? How does fragmented land ownership impact the preservation and functionality of green corridors that are not yet fragmented?
- How can regional groundwater models support the development of local and more refined groundwater models?

South Sound Science Center - Next Steps

- Discuss this concept with Lead Entities to identify key science and research needs and science funding gaps
- Develop a South Sound Science Center Committee to help refine the objectives and build structure.
 - Suggestion to use the existing S4 Steering Committee
- Look at funding options.

ECB 's Role

- Assist with public education and recruit involvement and collaboration to achieve Puget Sound recovery
- Seek funding to implement the Action Agenda
- Build and deploy broad-based support for the Action Agenda
- Provide input on key policy decisions and legislative priorities
- Problem-solve around Action Agenda priorities, emerging issues, and implementation roadblocks
- Help to focus local integration efforts and implementation support
- Provide cross caucus reporting and dialogue on priority issues

ECB Local Forum Discussion on Potential Topics

- What are some successes in South Sound that should be highlighted?
- What is an issue or two where Puget Sound scale actions (e.g., policy work, other support) can help leverage the local work?
- Which current local recovery efforts could use implementation support, improved coordination, and additional funding?



Round Robin Announcements



Thank you for
being here!

THE NEXT AHSS LIO
COUNCIL MEETING IS ON
SEPTEMBER 18, 2025!