

Alliance for a Healthy South Sound LIO Council Meeting

JUNE 23, 2026

In the chat, please share
your name, affiliation, and
summer plans that you're
looking forward to!

Agenda

Time	Session	Speakers
10:00am	Welcome & Get Settled	Haley Morris
10:05am	Puget Sound Partnership Strategic Funding Team Resources	Melissa Ciesielski & Michelle Deckard, Puget Sound Partnership
10:50am	AHSS LIO Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multi-LIO Shoreline Armoring & Permitting Assessment• AHSS Floodplains & Estuaries Action Plan	Haley Morris, Elizabeth McManus, & Kristen Durance
11:15am	Round Robin	All
11:25am	Wrap-up & Next Steps	Haley Morris
11:30 - Adjourn and Enjoy the Day!		



LIO Updates

- Multi-LIO Shoreline
Armoring & Permitting Assessment
- AHSS Floodplains & Estuaries
Action Plan

Shoreline Armoring & Permitting Assessment

- **Contractor:** Herrera Environmental Consultants will be the technical lead
- **Methodology Development:** Herrera will develop the analytical methodology
 - The new [Ecology shoreline condition dataset](#) (2024) will be used to determine current shoreline status. Herrera has also included some budget to do field verification, as needed, if the ECY data is unclear.
- **Project Updates:** We will share updates as we get them. There will be a final presentation of results and conclusions at the end of the project in June 2027 (meeting format TBD).
- **Technical Workgroup (TW):** A work group of shoreline technical experts is being formed with representation from LIO Coordinators, a pre-selected list of LIO partners, and relevant state agencies (WDFW, ECY). They will advise Herrera on methodology development, challenges, and interpretation of results/conclusions.

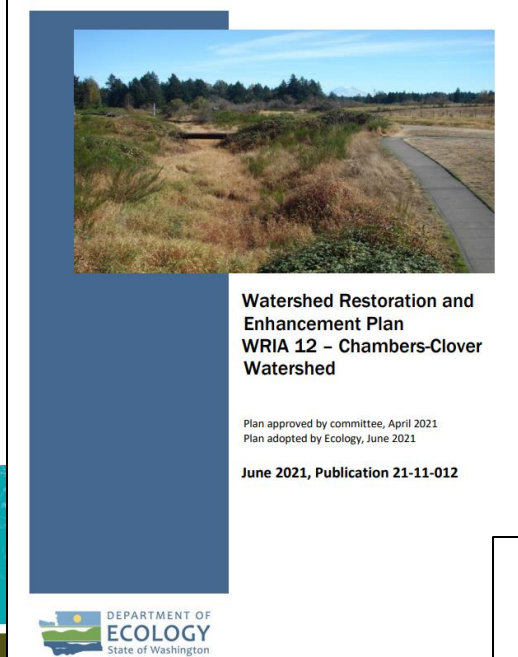
LIO Collective Action Plan

Floodplains and Estuaries

LIO ACTION PLANS

- Describe the work that needs to happen locally to advance the Puget Sound Action Agenda
- Describes what is needed (funding, capacity, new policies, etc.) to advance that work

Examples of Plans we Drew Barriers/Opportunities/Projects From:

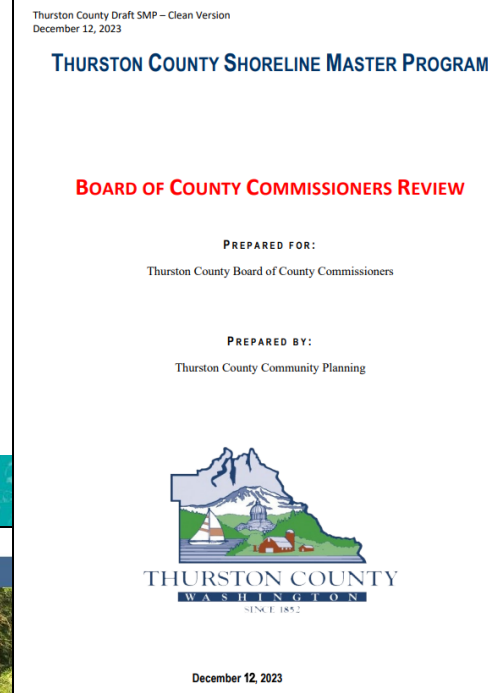


Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Plan
WRIA 12 – Chambers-Clover Watershed

Plan approved by committee, April 2021
Plan adopted by Ecology, June 2021

June 2021, Publication 21-11-012

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Thurston County Draft SMP – Clean Version
December 12, 2023

THURSTON COUNTY SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REVIEW

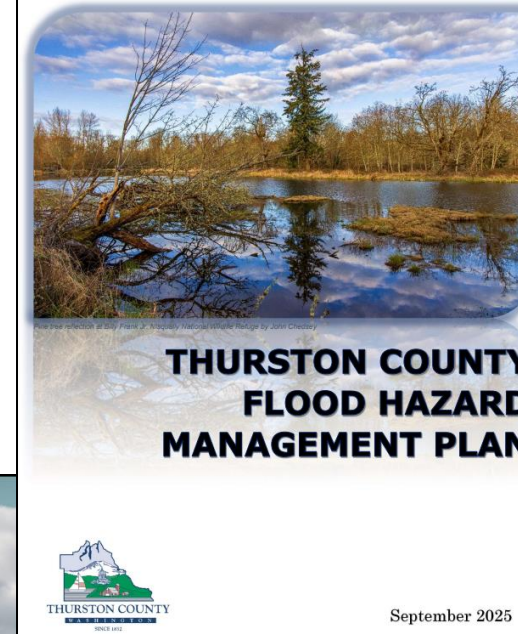
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**THURSTON COUNTY
FLOOD HAZARD
MANAGEMENT PLAN**



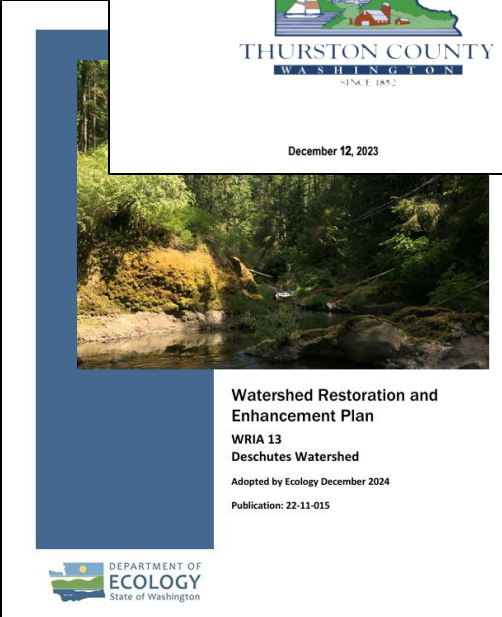
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**WRIA 14
Salmon Habitat
Restoration &
Protection Update**

February 2025

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Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Plan
WRIA 13
Deschutes Watershed

Adopted by Ecology December 2024
Publication: 22-11-015

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Pierce County 2023
Comprehensive Flood Hazard
Management Plan

July 26, 2023



AHSS LIO Action Plans

Past: On-Site Septic Action Plan Pilot

- Received \$183k which was allocated to Thurston and Mason Counties to improve water quality in shellfish growing areas by ensuring proper functioning of on-site septic systems.

Healthy Shorelines Action Plan

- Received \$150k of funding to support a shoreline visioning project for South Sound to compare priorities represented in shoreline mapping tools to growth and development plans

Current: Floodplains and Estuaries Action Plan

- A draft Action Plan is under development. Ideas shared today or following the meeting will be also be incorporated if they are not already included!

Future: Stormwater Action Plan

- We will likely start scoping for this Action Plan in fall, 2026.

Floodplains & Estuaries Action Plan: Timeline



Action Agenda Strategies for Floodplains & Estuaries

1

Increase and accelerate implementation of habitat acquisition and restoration projects as prioritized in watershed salmon recovery plans.

2

Incorporate the economic risks and costs of development into land use planning in floodplain and estuary habitats.

3

Maintain and expand a regional framework to build public and political support, develop partnerships, secure funding, simplifying permits, and monitoring progress to improve outcomes for fish populations, reduce flooding, and support agricultural viability (farm, fish, flood).

4

Prioritize, design, and implement reach-scale restoration and protection projects within a river basin, watershed, and/or estuary.

5

Expand floodplain and estuary habitat protection through regulations and incentives.

What about specific projects?

- We address specific projects in strategy number one where we say all projects from salmon recovery plans should be implemented
- If you have a planning effort for part of a watershed where you are bringing people together to come up with an integrated strategy that could be a reach scale project and added to strategy number four

Discussion Questions:

- What regional work, if any, would you like to reinforce or support?
- What local barriers, opportunities, and projects are missing from the draft Action Plan?



Round Robin Announcements



Thank you for
being here!

THE NEXT AHSS COUNCIL
MEETING IS ON SEPTEMBER
17, 2026!