

**Pacific Coast Joint Venture
What's New for Washington Partners
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Announcements

WDFW seeks review of revisions to Priority Habitat and Species List
http://wdfw.wa.gov/hab/phs/phs_review/index.htm

Comments due June 11

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Priority Habitat and Species (PHS) List is a catalog of species and habitats identified as priorities for management and conservation. The list directly affects what the agency maps in the PHS database, and new changes to the list will result in some changes to data that are released to cities and counties.

New WDFW planner to assist Puget Sound cities and counties

http://wdfw.wa.gov/hab/fw_planner/fw_planner_may_2008.pdf

Katie Knight knighkmk@dfw.wa.gov (360.902.2618) is the new WDFW conservation planner for Puget Sound. She will provide planning and policy assistance to local governments as they develop land use plans and regulations consistent with the Growth Management Act and Shoreline Management Act.

Special notice for wetland delineation in western Washington

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/delineation.html>

Use of the Interim Regional Supplement is now required for conducting wetland delineations for Clean Water Act purposes in western mountains, valleys, and coast region of Washington. Effective June 27, the Supplement data forms and indicators must be used for any data collection for wetland delineations submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. More info: Kristina Tong kristina.g.tong@nws02.usace.army.mil.

Puget Sound Partnership needs photos depicting Sound's 'silent crisis'

http://www.psp.wa.gov/pressreleases/052208_photos.html

The Partnership is accepting on an ongoing basis digital photos that illustrate Puget Sound's problems. Images will be used as part of a public awareness program.

Grants

Coastal & Estuarine Land Conservation Program

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/stewardship/celcp_09grant.html

Deadline: June 19, 2008

CELCP is a national, competitive program that provides matching grants for public land acquisition projects that preserve lands with significant ecology and conservation values.

Workshops and events

Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Adult Education Courses

<http://www.padillabay.gov/calendarofevents.asp>

The following courses are taught by wildlife biologists and naturalists:

- Great Blue Herons of the Salish Sea: June 7, 2008
- Solstice with the Birds: June 20 or 21, 2008
- A Shorebird Primer: July 12, 2008
- Pigeon Guillemot Nesting in Skagit County: August 14, 2008

Facing the Climate Change Challenge: Locally and Globally

<http://www.ptmsc.org/>

Dr. Richard Gammon, UW Professor of Chemistry and Oceanography
Thursday, June 12, 7 pm, Port Townsend Marine Science Center

Dr. Gammon will discuss the latest climate findings from 2007/2008, a review of recent international climate reports and predictions of changes expected in this region, especially in agriculture and sea level, focusing on possible responses at the individual, state, federal and international levels.

2008 Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program Nearshore Restoration Workshops

<http://www.pugetsoundnearshore.org/index.htm>

Puget Sound Nearshore Partnership

Workshops will cover nearshore restoration planning, 2008 ESRP Request for Proposals, adaptive management objectives, request for technical peer reviewers.

June 23, Anacortes

June 25, Tukwila

June 30, Everett

July 8, Olympia

July 14, Port Angeles

July 15, Silverdale