

# WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council – 2014 Three-Year Work Plan Update

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## Background

The *WRIA 8 Chinook Salmon Conservation Plan* (WRIA 8 Plan) contains over 1,200 actions for salmon recovery, including habitat protection and restoration projects, programmatic actions (including land use, outreach and education, and monitoring), and H-integration priorities. The full suite of salmon recovery actions comprises the WRIA 8 Plan's Comprehensive List. The portion of the Comprehensive List intended to be the focus of the first ten years of implementation is known as the Ten-Year Start List.

All watersheds in Puget Sound are required to maintain a **Three-Year Work Plan** (Work Plan), which identifies near-term projects and programs needed to implement each watershed's recovery strategy. The Work Plan is comprised of a narrative and a list of priority recovery actions that are either expected to advance or be completed within three years.

## Three-Year Work Plan Update

The Puget Sound Partnership requests an annual update to the Three-Year Work Plan to assess recovery implementation and support regional policy and technical decision-making. To update the Work Plan's list of projects and programs, WRIA 8 solicits updates from project sponsors annually. Actions may be added to the list as they elevate in priority and as sponsors consider seeking grant funding. Actions may be removed from the Work Plan when completed or where changes in feasibility or other factors will delay implementation. Other updates include changes in status or modified project descriptions.

The WRIA 8 Technical Committee evaluates project list updates and recommends adjustments to the Work Plan in order to align the list of actions with the WRIA 8 Chinook salmon recovery strategy. In 2014, the WRIA 8 Implementation Committee also reviewed the Work Plan's programmatic activities and suggested updates to make the list reflective of current priorities.

## 2014 Three-Year Work Plan Recommendations

The WRIA 8 Technical Committee and Implementation Committee recommend the following changes to the Three-Year Work Plan, detailed in Attachments 1 – 3:

### Additions to the Three-Year Work Plan:

- Add three new projects to the Three-Year Work Plan, Start List, and Comprehensive List.
- Add two projects from the Comprehensive List to the Three-Year Work Plan and Start List.

### Project Updates:

- Remove seven completed projects from the Work Plan and update three additional projects to complete and remove from Work Plan.
- Remove four inactive projects from the Work Plan.
- Change the name and project description for one existing Work Plan project.

### Program Updates:

- Update six programs to active status and update four program descriptions.

**Attachment 1: 2014 Proposed Additions to the WRIA 8 Three-Year Work Plan Project List  
WRIA 8 Technical Committee Recommendations**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Location in Watershed</b>	<b>Technical Committee Recommendation</b>
Explore Modification of the Riverbend Levee	King County	Cedar River Reach 6 (Tier 1)	Add project C220 to Ten-Year Start List and Three-Year Work Plan
Bird Island Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Lake Washington Section 1 (Tier 1)	Create project C266A and add to Comprehensive List, Ten-Year Start List, and Three-Year Work Plan
Removal of Bank Armoring and Riparian Restoration at NE 95th Street	City of Redmond	Bear Creek Reach 6 (Tier 1)	Create project N215A and add to Comprehensive List, Ten-Year Start List, and Three-Year Work Plan
Swamp Creek Wetland Complex Restoration	Sno-King Watershed Council	Swamp Creek Reach 1 (Tier 3)	Create project N335A and add to Comprehensive List, Ten-Year Start List, and Three-Year Work Plan
Palm Creek Restoration	Adopt A Stream Foundation	North Creek Reach 4 (Tier 2)	Add project N374 to Ten-Year Start List and Three-Year Work Plan

**Attachment 2: 2014 Proposed Updates to the WRIA 8 Three-Year Work Plan Project List  
WRIA 8 Technical Committee Recommendations**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>WRIA 8 Plan #</b>	<b>Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Description of Proposed Update</b>
Cedar River Rainbow Bend Restoration	C235B	King County; Seattle Public Utilities	Update status to complete and remove from list
Explore Feasibility of Passing LWD over Landsburg Dam	C260	Seattle Public Utilities	Status is complete - remove from list
Sammamish State Park Restoration	I204	Washington State Parks	Status is complete - remove from list
Juniper Acres Restoration	I212	City of Issaquah	Status is complete - remove from list
Issaquah Integrated Fish Passage	I221	City of Issaquah; WDFW	Update status to complete and remove from list
Wildwood Acquisition	I222	City of Issaquah	Project is inactive - remove from list
Squak Valley Park Restoration	I226B	City of Issaquah	Status is complete - remove from list
Protect Headwaters of Cottage Lake Creek and Bear Creek	N277	Snohomish County	Update status to complete and remove from list
Restore Riparian Conditions along Cottage Lake Creek	N289; N290; N291	Mid-Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group	Project is inactive - remove from list
Swamp Creek Regional Park Wetland and Stream Restoration	N335	Sno-King Watershed Council	Change name to "Squire's Landing Park Wetland and Stream Restoration" and update project description
Sammamish River Tributary Mouth Feasibility and Restoration	N357	City of Redmond	Redmond does not anticipate initiating within next ten years - remove from list
Clearwater School Restoration	N378	Snohomish County	Status is complete - remove from list
McCollum Park Restoration	N395	Adopt A Stream Foundation	Project is inactive - remove from list
Little Bear Creek Reach 2 - Fish Passage at 132nd Ave	N401	Adopt A Stream Foundation	Status is complete - remove from list
Evans Creek Relocation Study	N432	City of Redmond	Status is complete - remove from list

**Attachment 3: 2014 Proposed Updates to the WRIA 8 Three-Year Work Plan Programmatic Priorities  
WRIA 8 Implementation Committee Recommendations**

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Description of Proposed Update</b>
Telling Salmon Recovery Story	Update status to active and update program description
Integration of Regulatory Flexibility to Benefit Salmon	Update status to active and update program description
Incentive Programs	Update status to active and update program description
Increase Best Management Practices (BMPs)	Update status to active and update program description
Support Existing Regulations that Benefit Salmon	Update status to active
Evaluating Cumulative Effectiveness of Actions	Update status to active