

# Beach Restoration Funding Opportunity

## Puget Sound Marine and Nearshore Grant Program

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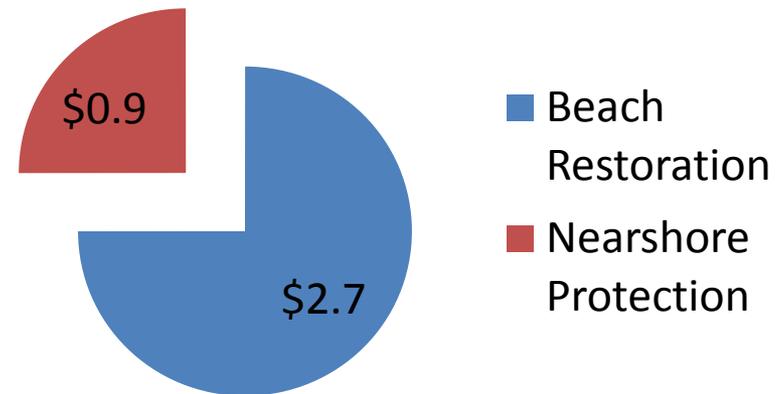


Narrows Park, Photo by Hugh Shipman, Wash. Dept. of Ecology

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*Puget Sound Marine and Nearshore Grant Program* seeks to award \$2.7M for Puget Sound Beach Restoration in 2012/13

**Round 3 Allocations  
(millions)**



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## Long Term Goals:

- People are aware of the benefits and possibilities of restoring shoreline habitat
  - landowners (public and private) implement shoreline restoration projects on their lands
- Ecological processes are protected or restored
  - increased use by species in Puget Sound

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*We are seeking projects:*

- ✓ Restore physical processes and ecological functions
  - remove armoring or other shoreline modifications
- ✓ Publicly accessible, have high visitation, and offer opportunities for public education
- ✓ Demonstrate safe and effective approaches to beach restoration
- ✓ Preferably in the construction phase within one year
- ✓ Likely to retain intended benefits over the long-term



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## *Restoring Beach Functions*



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### What?

- ✓ Sediment delivery & transport
- ✓ Marine riparian & intertidal vegetation

### Why?

- ✓ Forage fish, salmon, shellfish, and shorebirds all use these habitats
- ✓ People also benefit from beaches
  - Opportunities for recreation, including fishing, exploring, and walking
- ✓ Natural beaches have high aesthetic value

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## *Public Outreach & Education*

### Key Messages

- ✓ What do healthy Puget Sound beaches look like?
- ✓ What do they do?
- ✓ What actions can landowners take to improve beach health and function?

### Grant Program Targets

- ✓ Public visibility
- ✓ High visitation
- ✓ Geographic Distribution
- ✓ Diversity of sites/treatments



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*Puget Sound Marine and Nearshore Grant Program* to collaborate with *Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program (ESRP)* for initial allocation of beach restoration funding

- ✓ Will distribute *up to \$2.7M* concurrent w/ ESRP in Fall/Winter 2012
- ✓ PS Marine and Nearshore Grant Program *may conduct additional RFP in 2013* if available funds remain
- ✓ *Strongly encourage* all potentially interested parties to submit ESRP pre-proposal this Fall

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## Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program (ESRP) 2012-13 Grant Program Timeline

TASK	DATE	DESCRIPTION
RFP published	Aug 17	Request for proposals to ESRP mailing list and posted on website
Workshops	Sept 12/13	One in person and at least one recorded web-ex workshop
Pre-proposals due	Sept 21	Expected length 2-3 pages
Invite to submit full	Oct 15	A ranked list of projects eligible to submit full proposals released
Presentations	Nov 5-9	Presentations by sponsors to technical evaluation team (Seattle/Edmonds area)
Final proposals due	Nov 28	Proposals submitted via HWS/Nearshore Data Site and PRISM
Draft investment plan	Dec 30	Ranked project list and funding recommendations published
Endorsement by LC	TBD	Funding recommendations presented to PSP Leadership Council at first meeting in 2013
Funding notification	TBD	Funding notification dependent upon final 2013-15 state budget. Funds available July 1, 2013

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Visit the ESRP website for RFP Updates & Details

<http://www.pugetsoundnearshore.org/esrp.html>

Learn More About the Puget Sound Marine and  
Nearshore Grant Program Investment Strategy:

[http://wdfw.wa.gov/grants/ps\\_marine\\_nearshore/](http://wdfw.wa.gov/grants/ps_marine_nearshore/)

Access Technical Documents to Assist Nearshore  
Protection and Restoration Efforts:

[www.pugetsoundnearshore.org](http://www.pugetsoundnearshore.org)