



**▲ Helping First Responders**  
 Ecology delivered spill response equipment to about 40 places in the Puget Sound region and trained hundreds of first responders. Quick deployment of booms, absorbent materials and other equipment helped clean up more than 50 spills, saving more than \$1 million in cleanup costs and prevented harm to marine and shore life.

**● Cleaning Up Aquatic and Upland Toxic Sites**  
 Ecology cleaned up 732 contaminated sites and is in the process of cleaning up 423 more. There are 1,443 contaminated sites within ½ mile of Puget Sound. The department also is cleaning up sites within urban bay areas.

**● Ongoing Cleanups**  
*Bellingham Bay* – Ecology will continue to clean up 11 contaminated properties in and around the bay; Lower Duwamish Waterway – Clean up efforts include contaminated sediments in Slip 4 and at Terminal 117; Port of Tacoma – The Port will cap or dredge contaminated sediments at the mouth of Hylebos Waterway; Dungeness Spit National Wildlife Refuge – DNR removed more than 300 tons of toxic creosote logs; Northwest Straits Foundation is using \$4.6 million in federal funding to remove 3,000 derelict fishing nets in Puget Sound to restore 645 acres of marine habitat.

**● Reduce Stormwater Runoff into Puget Sound and Hood Canal**  
 Ten Puget Sound governments received grants to complete demonstration projects that protect or restore water quality to help meet stormwater management goals. The communities will use the grants for a variety of “low-impact” development projects.

**■ Helping Homeowners Repair or Replace Septic Systems**  
 There are about 472,000 septic tank systems in the Puget Sound region not connected to sewage treatment plants. Many are aging and in disrepair, allowing human waste to reach the Sound. Ecology is providing \$7.5 million to local governments to help homeowners fix or replace septic systems.

**■ Cleanup Projects at State Parks**  
 Washington Parks and Recreation Commission has completed pollution control projects at 14 state parks in Puget Sound and Hood Canal to help prevent water quality problems.

**● Marine Conservation Fund Cleanup and Restoration Projects**  
 U.S. Attorney for Western Washington and Ecology initiate work on 14 Puget Sound cleanup and restoration projects funded by a \$1.7 million settlement agreement regarding the Evergreen International Shipping Line criminal case.

Map highlights projects involving the Department of Ecology and State Parks. Other state and local projects also are in progress.

Soundwatch Boater Education Program

Dungeness River Estuarine Restoration

Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge Bulkhead Removal

Skagit Bay Nearshore Restoration

Northwest Straits Derelict Fishing Gear Removal

Bellingham Bay Jetty Removal

Fisher Slough Habitat Phase 2 Acquisition

Farming for Wildlife in the Skagit Delta

Island County Shoreline Restoration

Orca Network's Whale Sighting Network & Education Project

Owlsoot Restoration Project

Puget Sound Habitat Protection Pilot

Onshore-Offshore Marine Ecology & Conservation for Teachers

Everett

Seattle

Lower Duwamish Waterway

Shelton

Tacoma

Estuarine Restoration at Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge

Nisqually Estuary Restoration and Monitoring Phase 2