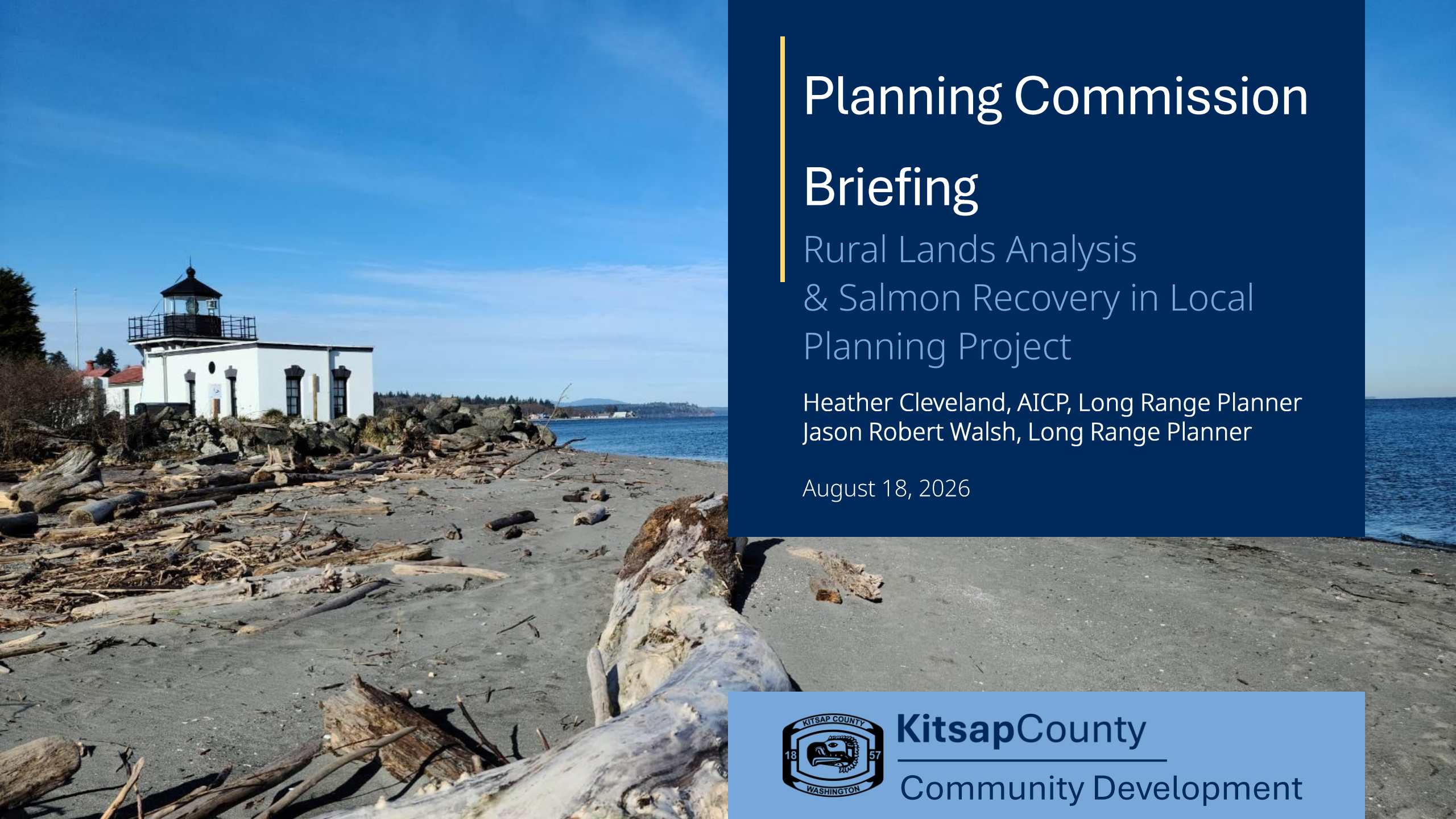




Planning Commission Briefing

Rural Lands Analysis
& Salmon Recovery in Local
Planning Project

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August 18, 2026



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Community Development

Agenda

Project Purpose

Approach

- Iterative
- Engagement

Next Steps

Project Purpose

- Review of existing rural and resource lands policies and plans
- Review of existing salmon recovery plans
- Analyze rural land use patterns, distributions, and salmon recovery priorities
- Develop policy and program recommendations for rural Kitsap County

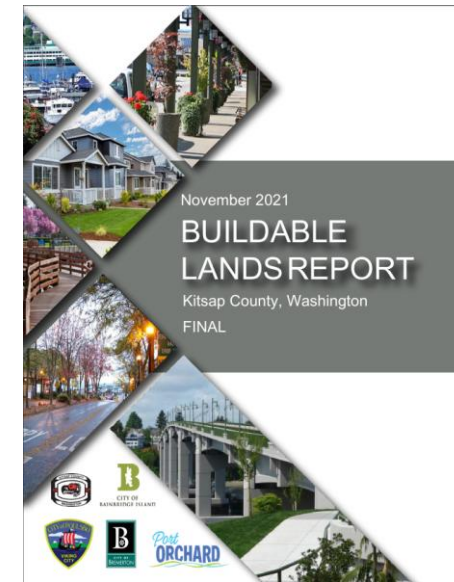
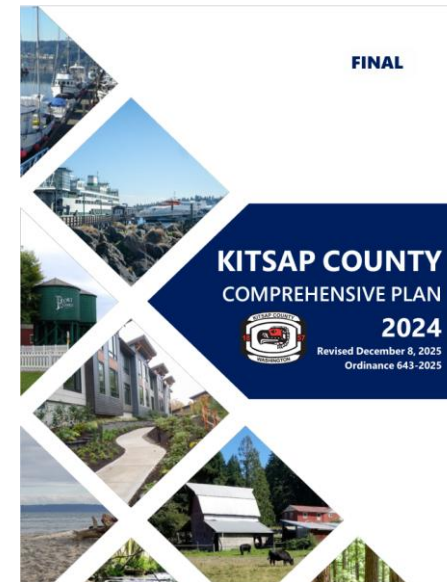
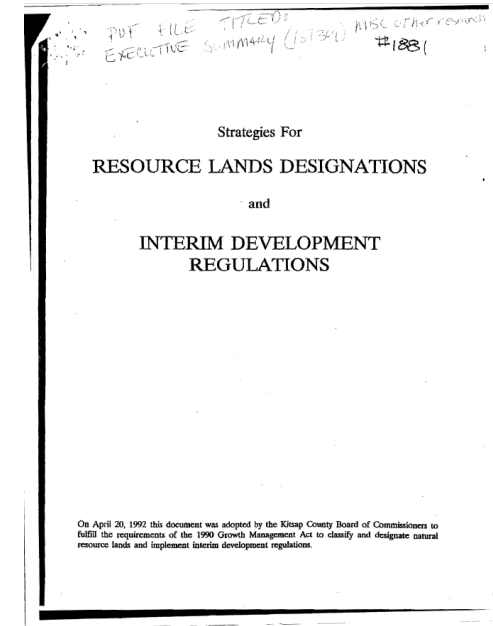


Existing Plans

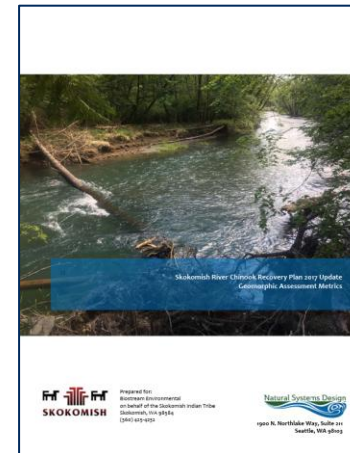
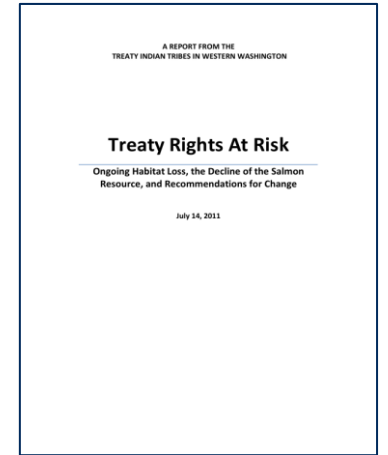
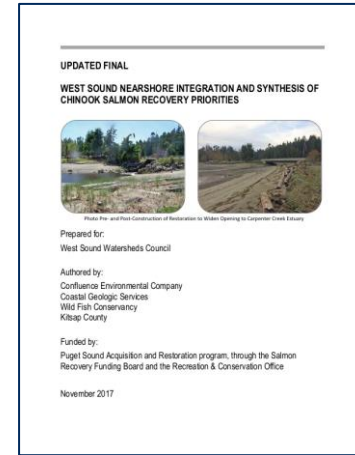
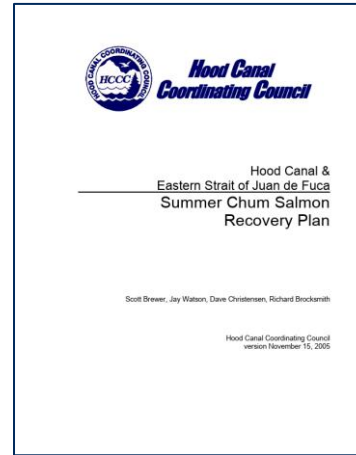
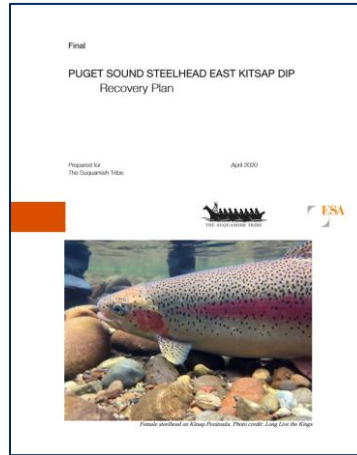
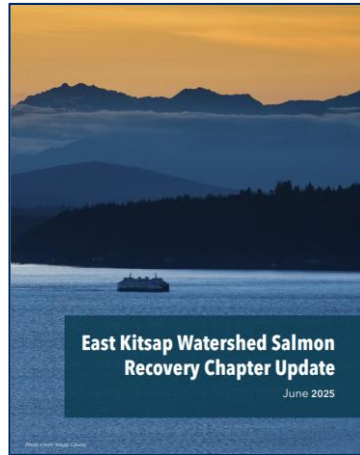
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Salmon Recovery Plans



Analysis Framework

Existing Conditions

- Salmon Recovery
- Working Lands
- Development patterns and infrastructure

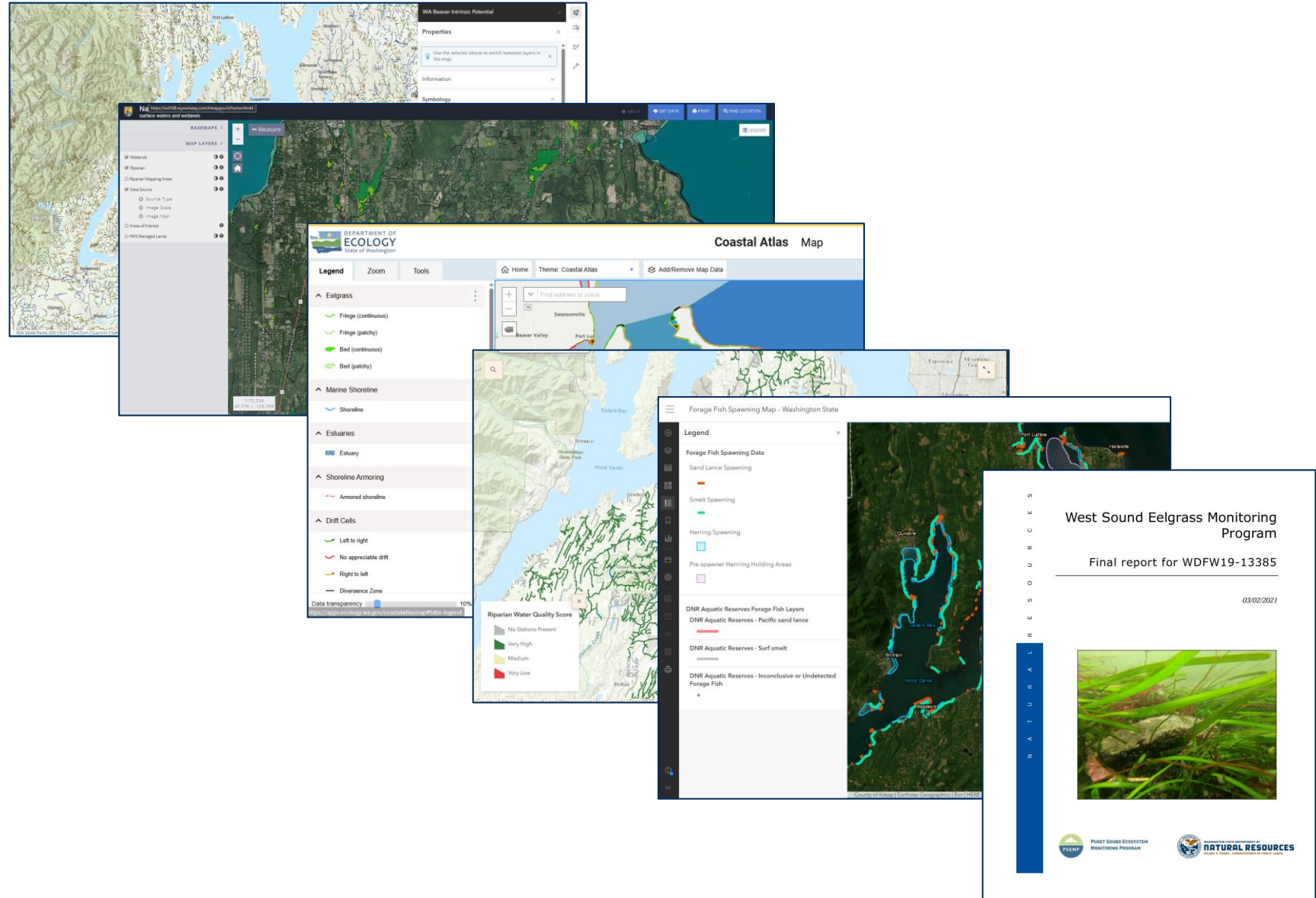
Future

- Protected lands and conservation areas
- Long term viability
- Development capacity and undeveloped lands

Scenarios

- Do nothing, do everything, something in between
- Prioritize

Data



Equity Filter

By Dalia Barber

Understand Gaps & Opportunities

- Goal
- Baseline conditions
- Public engagement and targeted collaboration with tribal nations
- Benefits, burdens, and unintended consequences
- Advance opportunity and mitigate harm
- Evaluate, monitor, and ensure accountability



Policies and Programs

Deliverable from WWU Planning Intern, Dalia Barber

Comprehensive List of Tools & Strategies

Comparative Analysis with Other Counties



Approach

- Iterative
- Engaging

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Community Engagement Plan

Phase

- Phase 2: Feedback and Discussion Team, Committee, and Working Group

- Salmon Recovery Team
- Technical Advisory Committee
- Agriculture Advisory Council
- Forestry Working Group
- Partner Meetings



Salmon Recovery Team

- Evaluated plan and data inventory
- Recommended plan, data sets, contacts
- Continuing guidance on approach to analysis
- Review findings and recommendations



Agricultural Advisory Council and Working Groups

Working Lands Overlay

Voluntary Stewardship Program

Prioritizing Protection

- TDR/PDR
- Conservation Futures Tax
- Land Trust



Forestry Working Group

Facilitators

- Kevin Ceder, Stewardship Forester, Parks Department
- Heather Cleveland, Long Range Planner, Community Development Department

Meetings

- July, September, January – 2027, April – 2027

Name	Company/Organization
Mark Mauren	Ueland Tree Farm (current GPC project)
Aaron Clark	Clark Tree Farm Trust
Damian Reid	Alpine Evergreen
Adrian Wolfe	Great Peninsula Conservancy
Bryan Inglin	WA Dept of Natural Resources
Debbie Kay	Suquamish Tribe
Marla Powers	Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
Niki Aikman	
Bruce Weiskotten	Skokomish Tribe
Beverly Parsons	Kitsap Environmental Coalition
John Willett	Co-founder of former Parks Forest Management Committee
Jon Rose	Raydient-Subsidiary of Raynier (formerly Pope Resources)
David Overton	E.E. Overton – Forest Products
Sean Walsh	City of Bremerton

Forestry Working Group

Initial Meeting and Survey

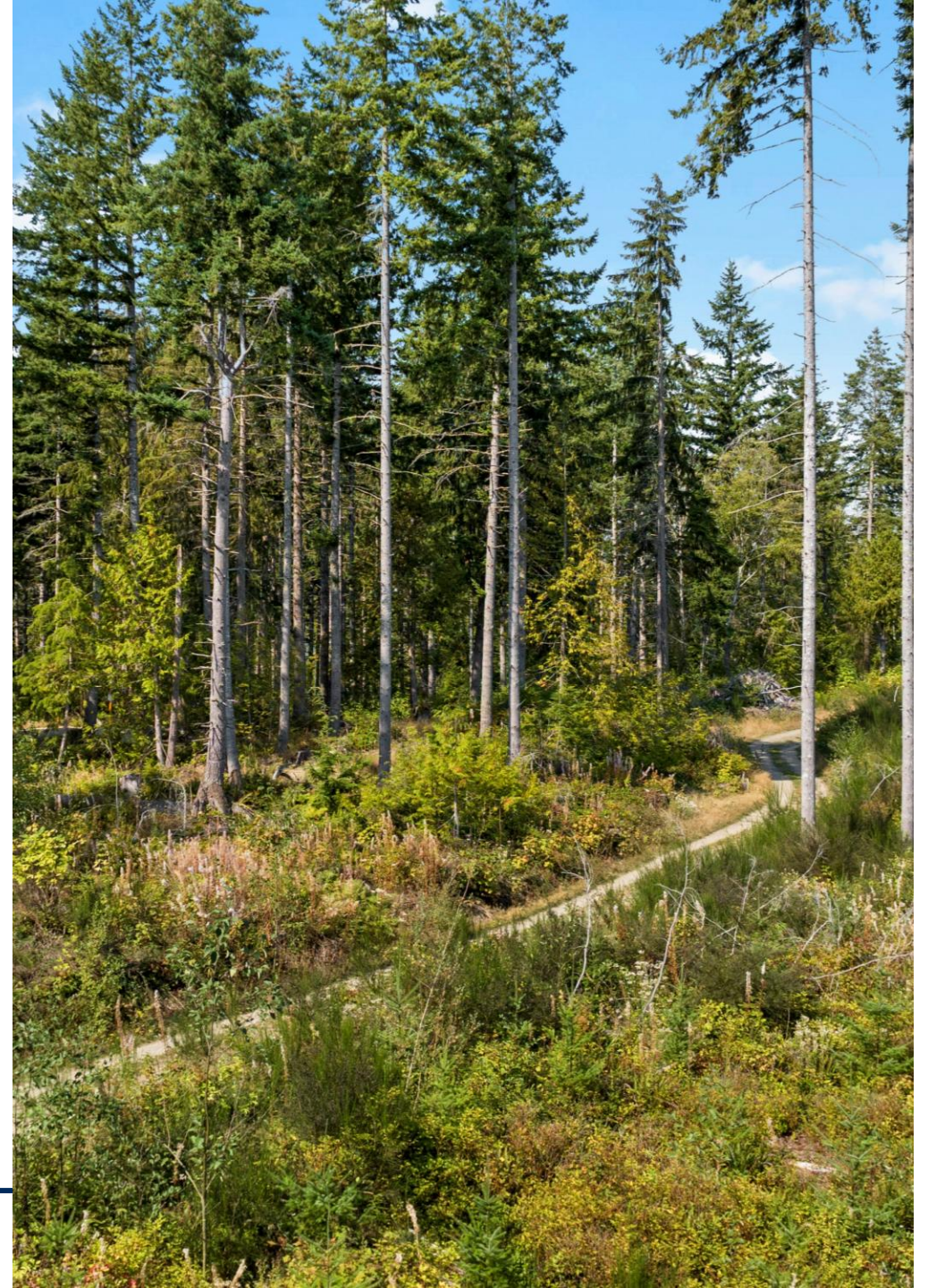
What is forestry?

Barriers

Forest markets

Generations

What's next?



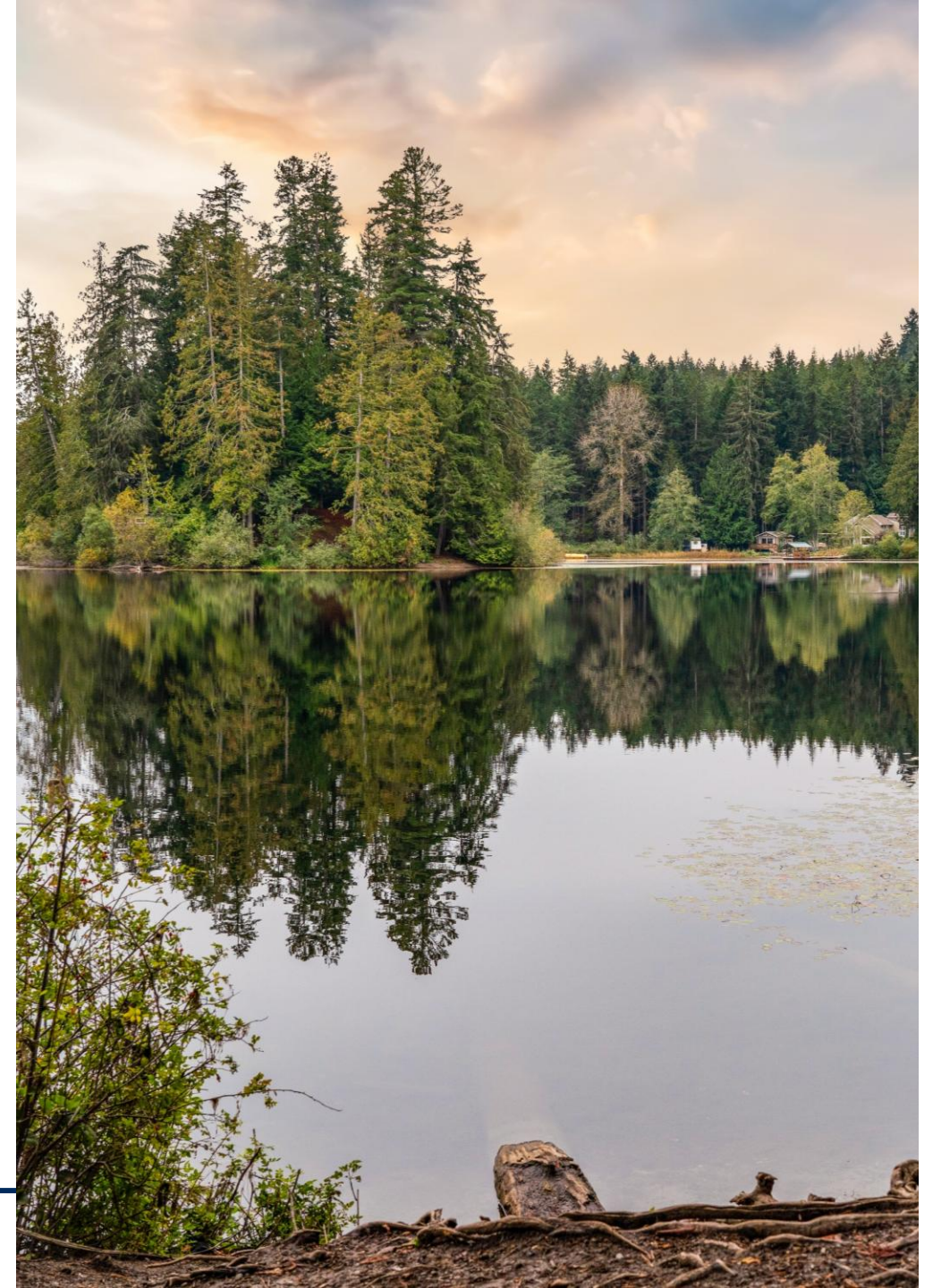
Technical-Policy Advisory Committee

In progress

Representation

Meetings

Agriculture, Forestry, Salmon,
Recovery + Development



Open House

- July 8th
- ~ 30 attendees
- Engagement stations: salmon, forests, and agriculture
- Comments
 - Tools to help keep agricultural and forest lands
 - Current development patterns are detrimental to salmon
- Launched survey



Survey Results

Development Outpacing
Infrastructure

Code Enforcement

Control Housing Growth

Losing Forests & Habitat



Next Steps

Meetings & Organizing

Engagement

Plan & Data



April 2026

- SRLP: Execute consultant contract
- Prepare project charter and community engagement plan

May 2026

- Project kick-off
- Project website

August 2026

- 30% project update
- Collaboration with WSPER and HCCC
- Spreadsheet of data inventory



December 2026

- 60% Project update SRLP technical memo
- Existing conditions analysis and story map
- Observations and analysis framework with methodology memo
- Analysis and conclusions memo



April 2027

- 90% project update
- Draft SRLP report
- Draft RLA report

June 2027

- GIS tool
- Final SRLP report
- Final RLA report



Thank you!

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