

A scenic landscape photograph showing a high-angle view of a mountain valley. In the foreground, a steep, rocky slope covered in green vegetation and small trees descends towards the left. A winding river flows through the middle ground, surrounded by dense evergreen forests. The background features more distant, hazy mountain ranges under a clear sky.

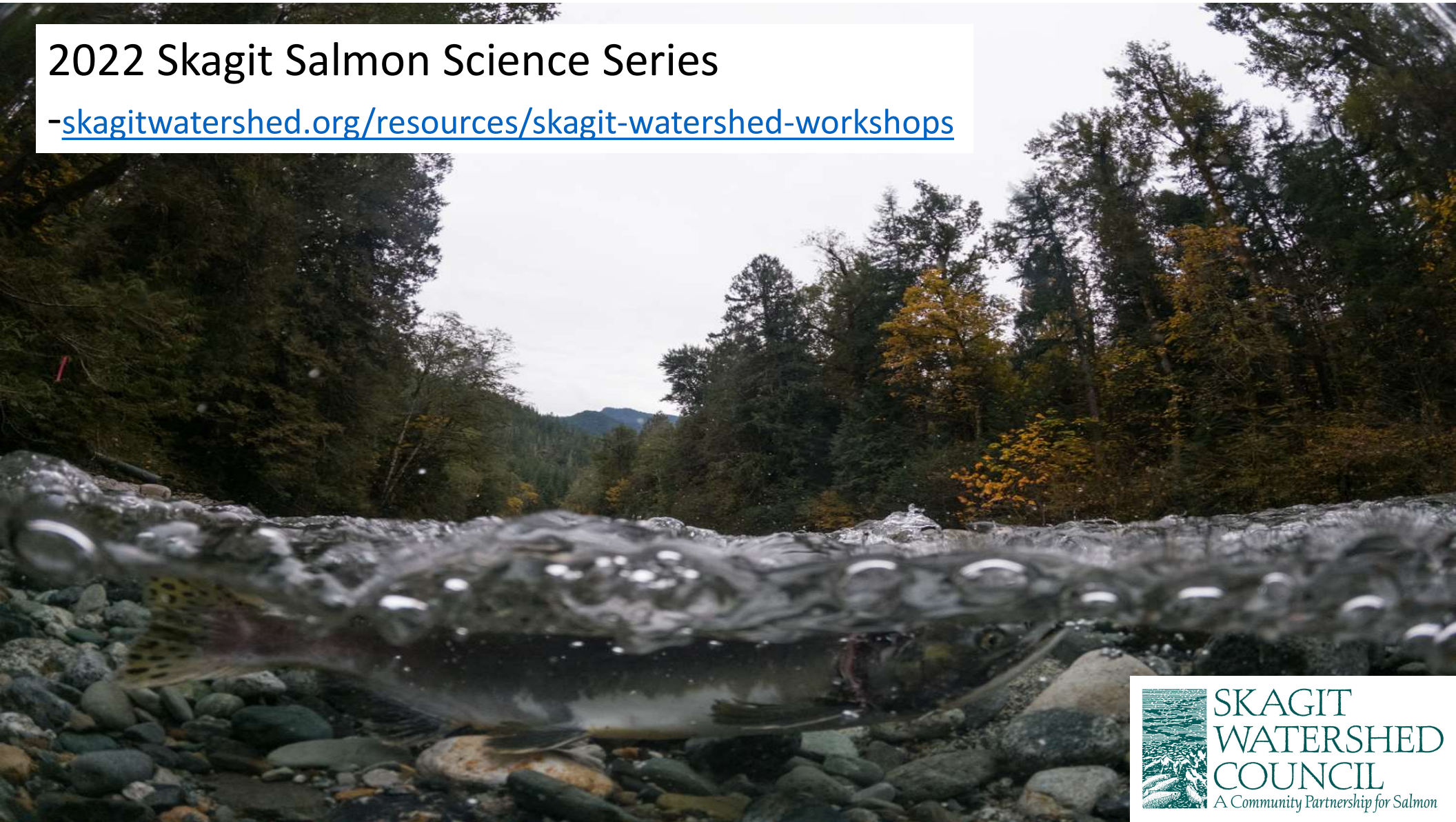
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We take this time to acknowledge the lands we all stand on today have been called home by the indigenous peoples of the Salish Sea since time immemorial.

We recognize Tribal sovereignty and that this place holds special spiritual, cultural, and personal significance for Indian Tribes and First Nations.

2022 Skagit Salmon Science Series

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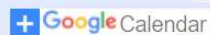
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Harvest, Chapter 6

Skagit Salmon Science Series (4S)

The goal of the Skagit Salmon Science Series is to share the state of the knowledge of salmon recovery to support that dialogue moving forward from our first 20 years of actions to our next 20 years. As we share this information in this forum, we want to start broadening our circle to gather and hopefully address the community's questions and concerns.

#1 Feb 23, 2022 "Skagit Salmon Management 101" – This meeting focuses on the questions of salmon harvest management and explaining the science behind recovering salmon species while continuing to safely benefit from them as a resource.
Skagit Salmon Management 101 (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on Feb 23, 2022 by Casey Ruff, Harvest Management Biologist, Swinomish Indian Tribe; Bob McClure, Harvest Management Biologist, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe; and Eric Beamer, Skagit River System Cooperative.

West Coast Salmon fishery Management (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on Feb 23, 2022 by James Dixon, NMFS' West Coast Region, Sustainable Fisheries Division

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#2 May 4, 2022 “Chinook Salmon Recovery Background” – This meeting explains the 2005 Skagit Chinook Salmon Recovery Plan and the Skagit Watershed Council’s Strategic Approach and Skagit Implementation Structures.

The 2005 Skagit Chinook Recovery Plan (SRP) Explained (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on May 4, 2022 by Eric Beamer, Senior Biologist – Skagit River System Cooperative (SRSC).

SWC Strategic Approach & Skagit Implementation Structures (slides) – Presentation to Skagit Watershed Council on May 4, 2022 by Richard Brocksmith, Executive Director – Skagit Watershed Council.

#3 June 8, 2022 “Status of Skagit Estuary Restoration” – This meeting introduces the Endangered Species Act and Puget Sound Chinook Salmon Recovery Plan and explores the progress of Skagit Estuary Recovery Plan Implementation.

Introduction to the Endangered Species Act (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on June 8, 2022 by Eric Beamer, Senior Biologist – Skagit River System Cooperative (SRSC).

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Delta & Nearshore, Chapter 11-12

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Introduction to the Endangered Species Act (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on June 8, 2022 by David Price, Biologist, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA

Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Plan (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on June 8, 2022 by Amber Moore, Salmon Recovery Manager, Puget Sound Partnership

Skagit Estuary Recovery Plan Implementation Progress (slides) – Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on June 8, 2022 by Eric Beamer, Senior Scientist, Skagit River System Cooperative and Greg Hood, Scientist, Skagit River System Cooperative

#4 Sept 22, 2022 “General Watershed Approach to Chinook Salmon Habitat Restoration” – This meeting reviews the whole watershed approach to Chinook Salmon recovery, including introducing freshwater habitat restoration. Presentations also reviews methods for measuring implementation in the Estuary and seeks to provide answers to

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All Habitat, Chapters 1 and 8

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General Watershed Approach to Chinook Salmon Habitat Restoration Chapters 1 & 8 (slides) Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on September 22, 2022 by Mike LeMoine, Director for Research and Recovery, SRSC

[Recovery Plan Implementation in the Skagit Estuary](#) (slides) Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on September 22, 2022 by Eric Beamer, Senior Scientist, Skagit River System Cooperative

[Questions and Answers from Previous Meetings](#) (slides) Presentation to the Skagit Watershed Council on September 22, 2022 by Greg Hood, Scientist, Skagit River System Cooperative

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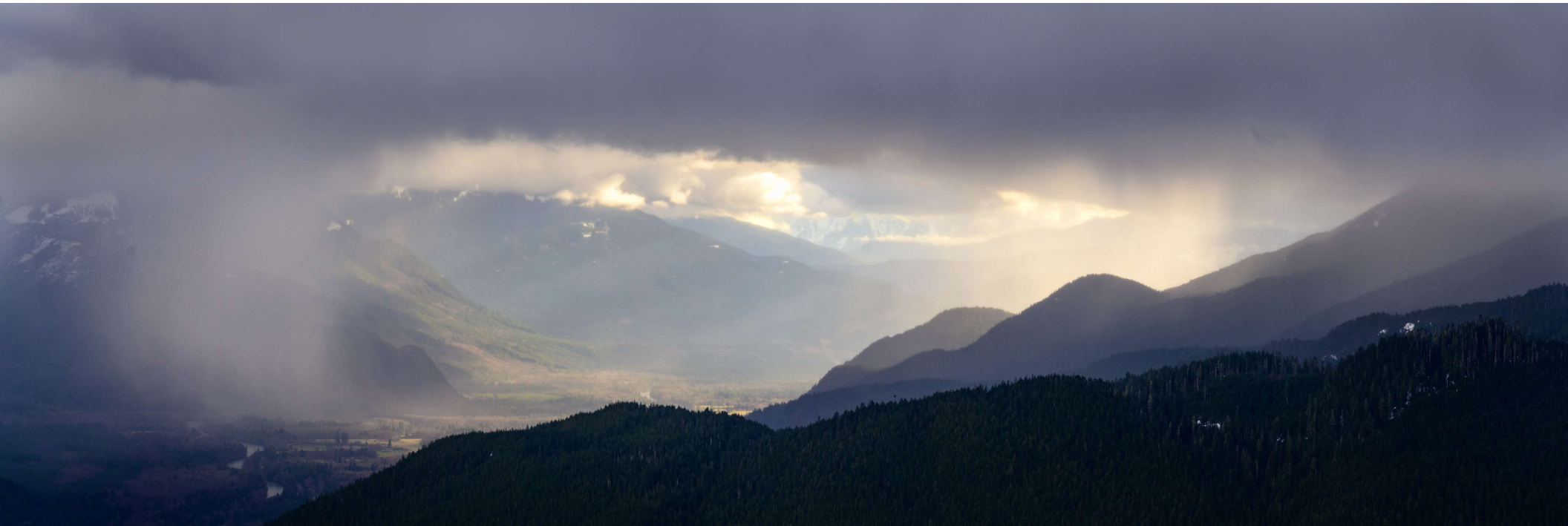
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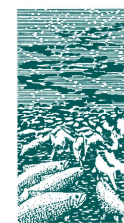
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- Our goal is to complete the Skagit Chinook Recovery Plan review in early 2023:
 - Chapter 9, Spawning Habitat Strategies
 - Chapter 10, Rearing Habitat Strategies
 - Chapter 7, Habitat Protection Strategies
- Our hope is to engage more governments and stakeholders in dialogue in 2023

Recent and Planned Projects by Recovery Plan Chapter, December 7, 2022



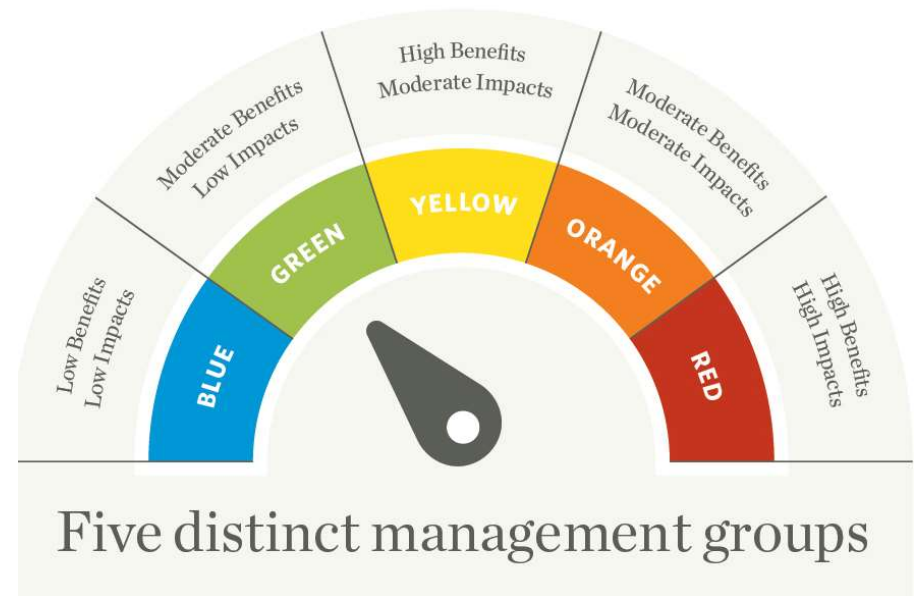
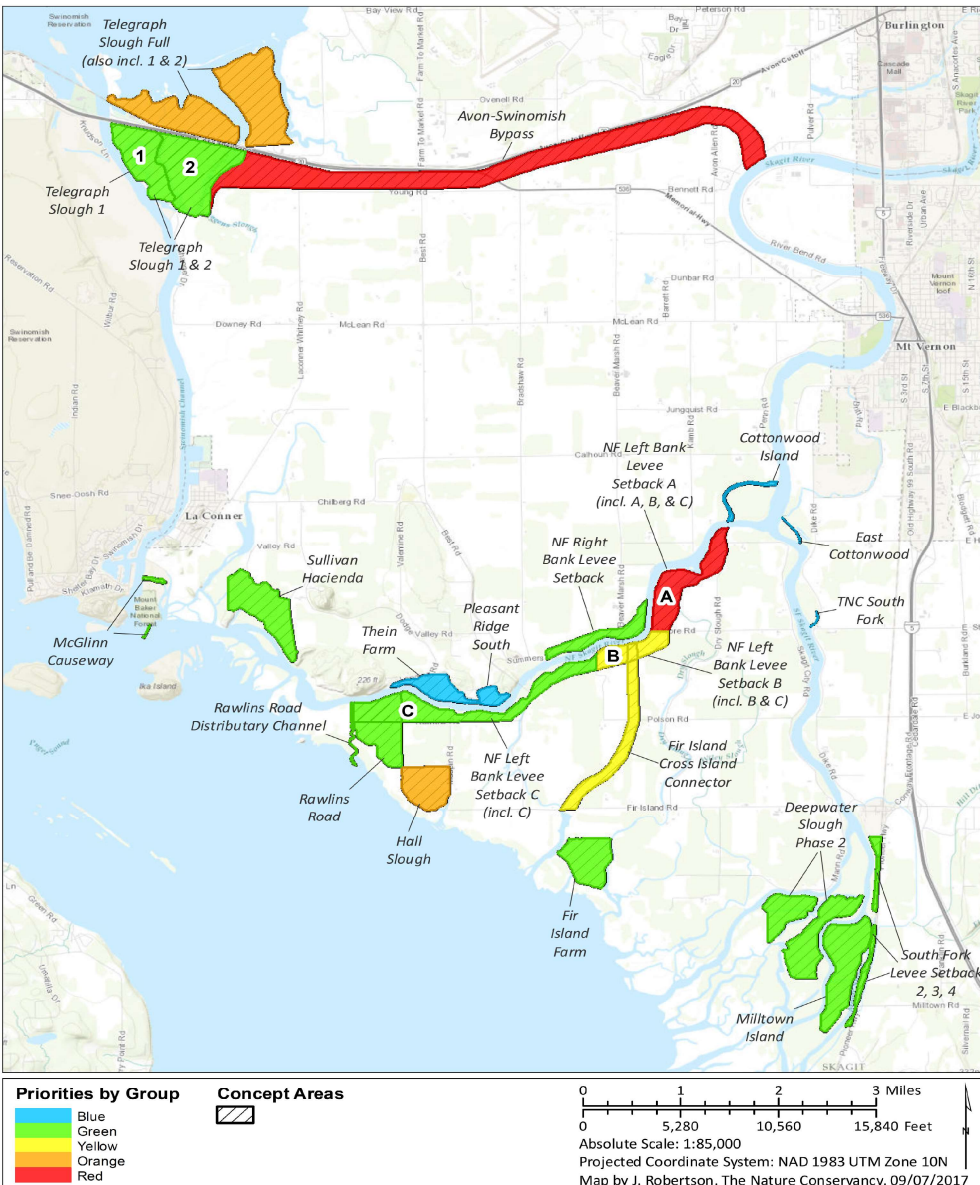
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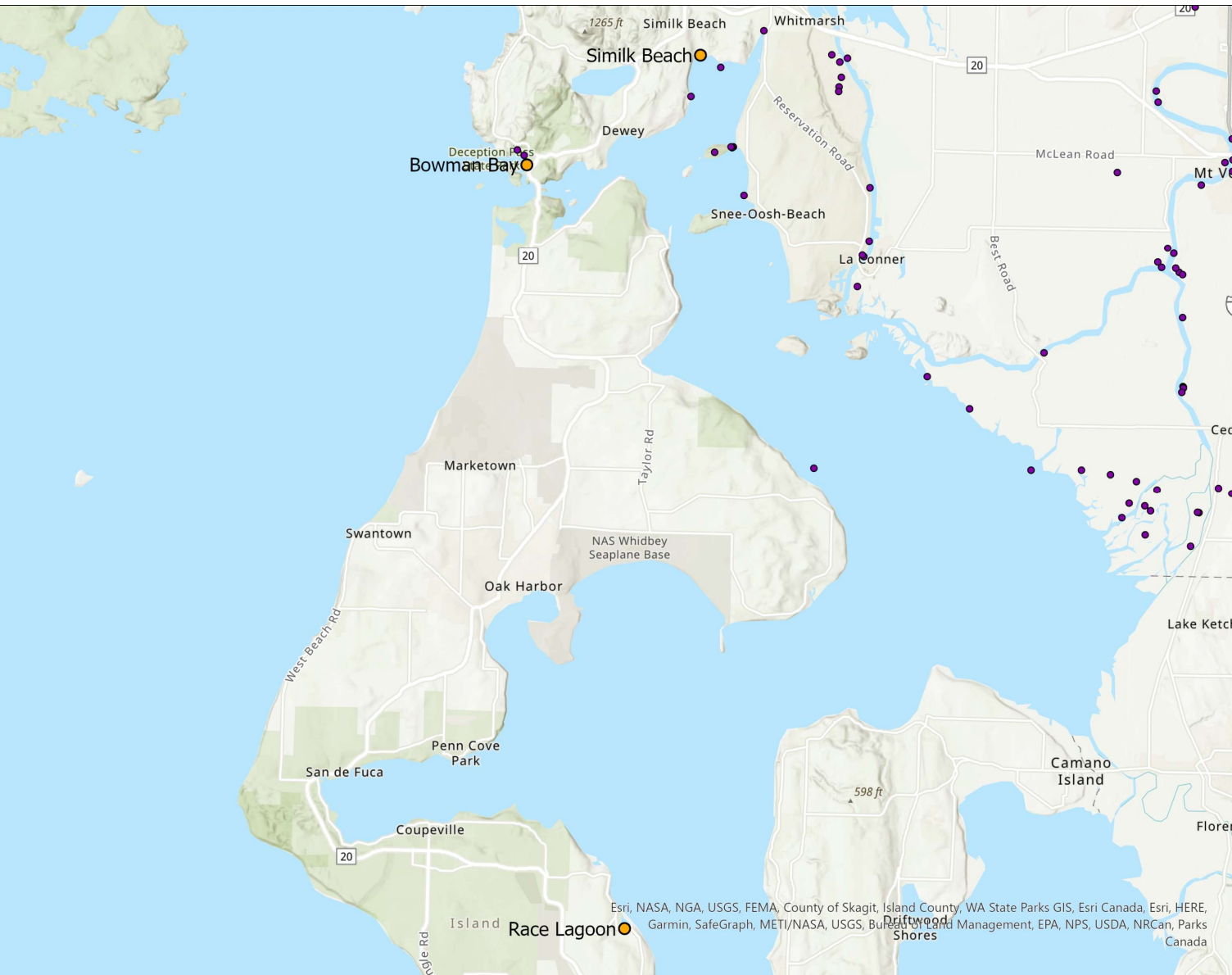
Recent/Planned Estuary (Ch. 11) Projects

1. Britt Slough Wetlands
 - Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group & WDFW
 2. South Fork Channel Construction
 - Skagit County
 3. North Leque Island
 - WDFW
 4. Swinomish Channel Fill Removal Phase 3
 - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community/SRSC
 5. Milltown Island Phase 2
 - WDFW
 6. Island Unit Phase 2
 - WDFW
 7. Wiley Slough Dike Raise
 - WDFW
 8. Smokehouse
 - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community/SRSC
 9. McGlinn Causeway and Jetty
 - Skagit River System Cooperative
- + Any feasible concept from the Estuary Restoration Strategic Assessment

2019 Estuary Restoration Strategic Assessment

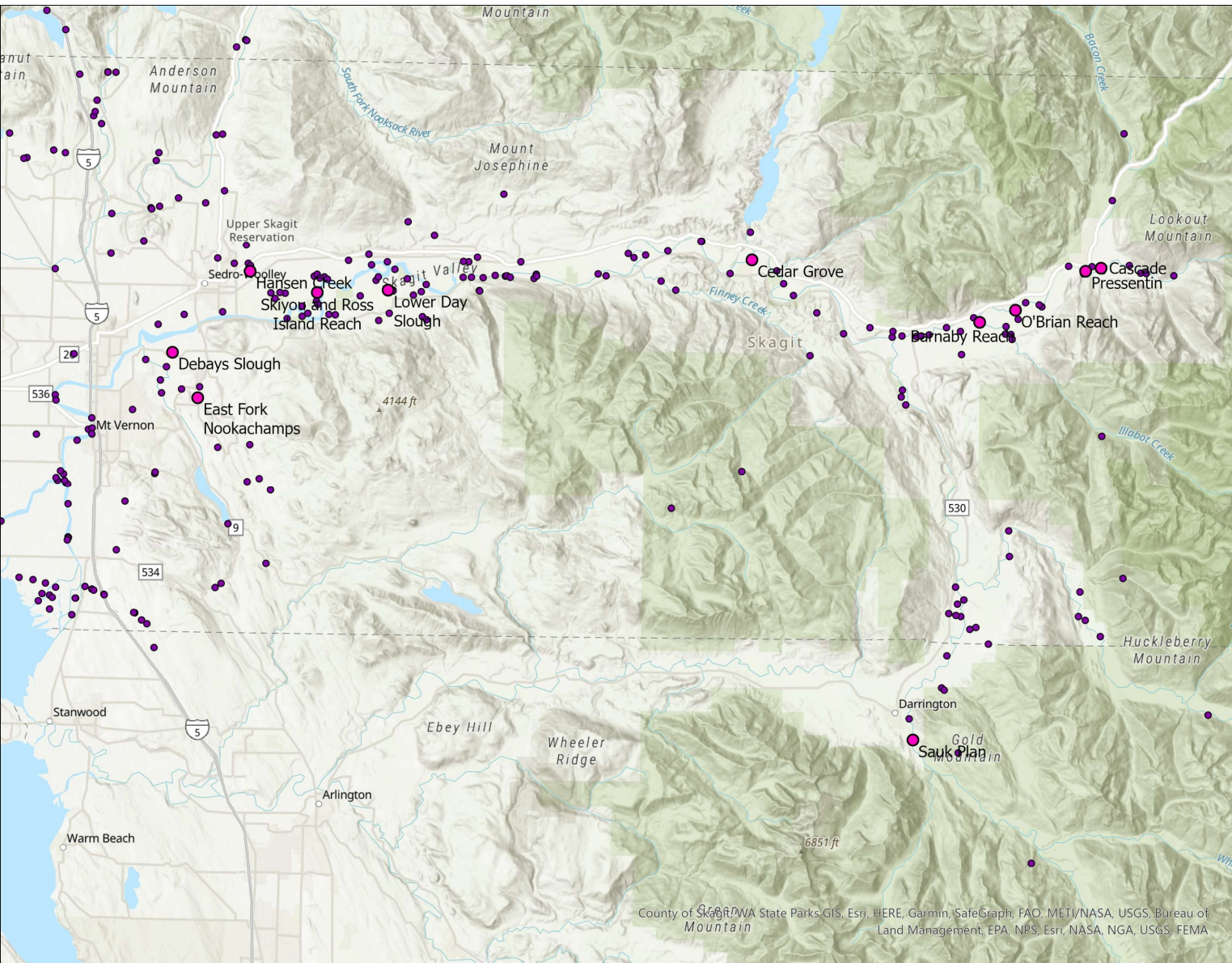


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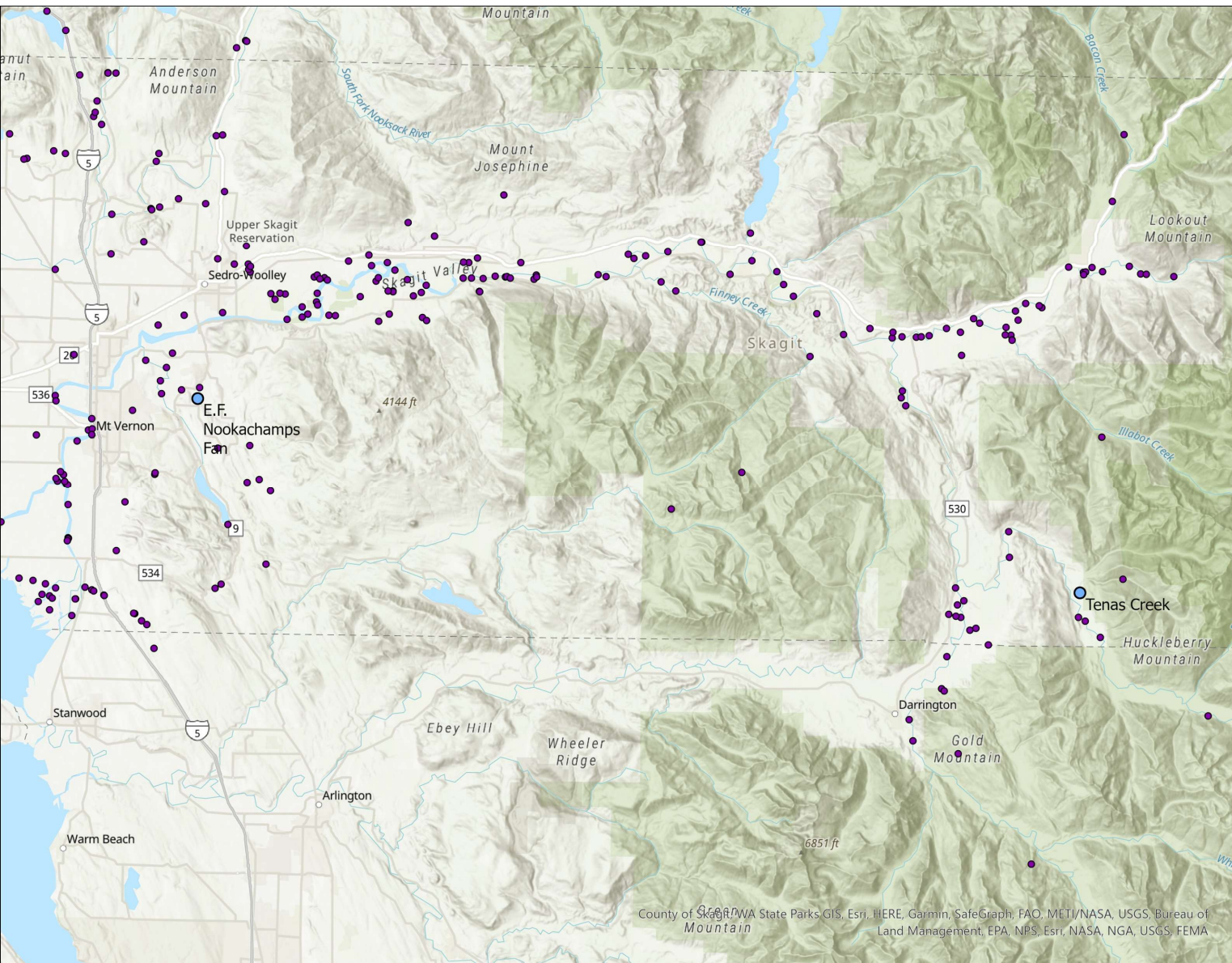
Chapter 12 Current Projects -Nearshore rearing and pocket estuaries

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Chapter 10 Current Projects -Freshwater rearing habitat

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Chapter 9 Current Projects -Spawning habitat and alluvial fans

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