

ISLAND COUNTY MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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Project Updates for December 5, 2017 Meeting

NWSC Grant Reports

Outreach (Bennett): Upcoming work in 2018:

Forum: Topic and date will be discussed at the 12/5/17 MRC meeting.

Proposed topic: Aging Shoreline Infrastructure (walls, tide gates, septic, wells): Challenges and Opportunities

Inventory of Monitoring: Scope of work and format will be discussed at the 12/5/17 MRC meeting

Proposed elements to be included: focus of monitoring, methods, frequency, locations, lead organization, local contact.

White Paper on Fin Fish Net Pens: Approach and timing will be discussed at the 12/5/17 MRC meeting.

Factors to consider include the recent accidental release of Atlantic Salmon and the discussion that has followed including:

- NW Straits planned forum on the topic, date TBA,
- The timing and potential issues/ opportunities presented by the update of the IC Shoreline Management Program.

Ongoing work:

Video: Editing is in progress. Beau has filmed interviews and Florian is editing.

Sandwich boards: Sandwich boards have been purchased. Sandwich board signs will be printed and laminated for use in the field.

Identification: Caps have been identified for purchase. Logos and price estimates in attached document.

Forage Fish Monitoring (Richards): We are scaling back our effort; sampling monthly year-round at six Whidbey sites. Dan Matlock is continuing with the sites on the south end. Sampling on Camano will resume once a lead is identified and trained.

WDFW and NWS are both interested in long-term data. The attached map shows the survey results for July for the entire region. Note that the lion's share of positive locations is in Island County. The map reflects sampling by multiple entities.

Pigeon Guillemot Survey (Wood): Update at meeting.

Other Reports

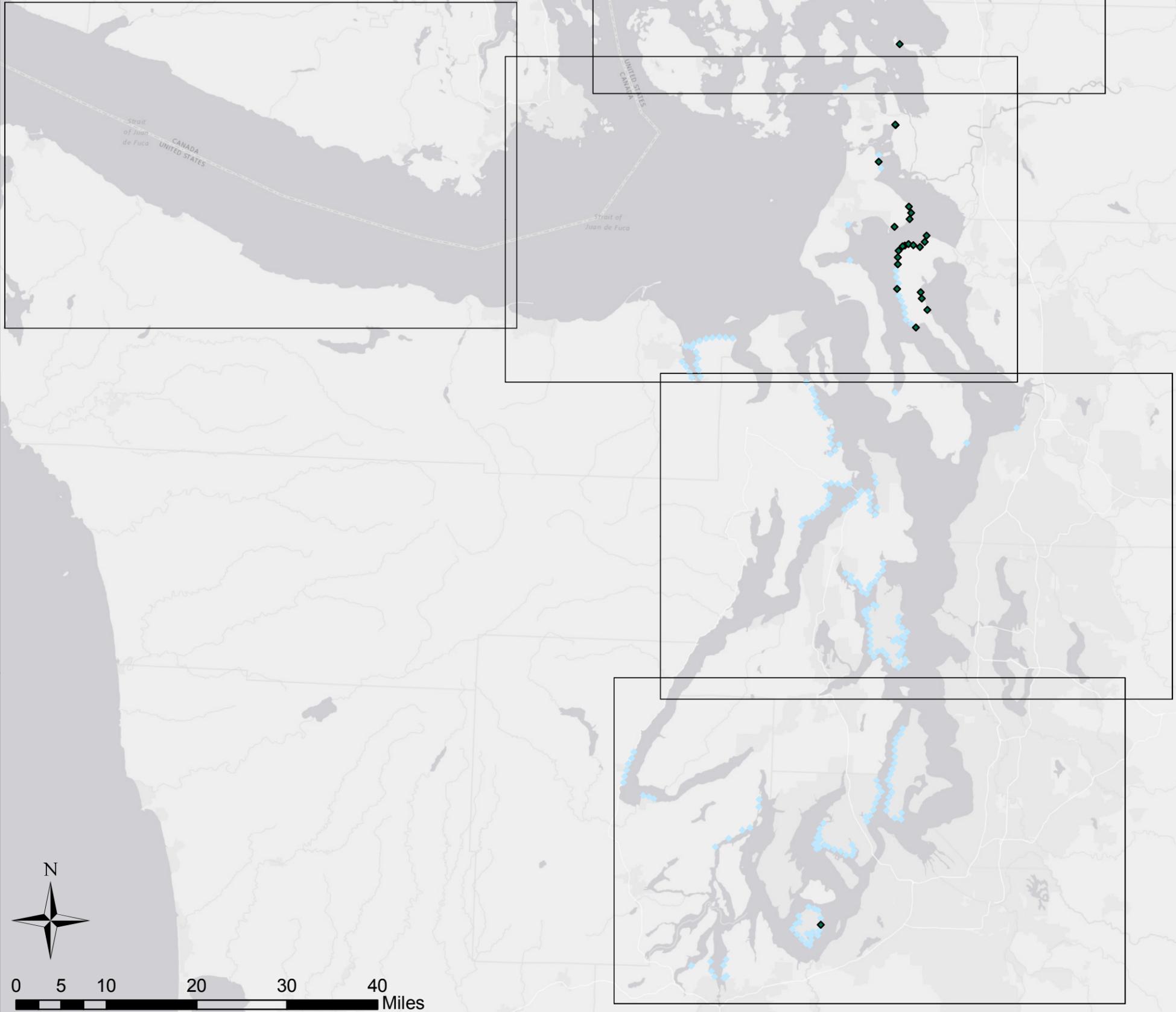
NW Straits Commission / Foundation: NWSC meeting will be held on December 8th.

Creosote Removal (Turpin): No update.

Shoreline Restoration and Armor Removal (Toledo): NWSF has secured funding from National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) for matching funds at the Sunlight Shores armor removal site.

ILIO (Bennett): Update at meeting.

Forage Fish Spawning Surveys Puget Sound, WA July 2017



- ◆ Surf Smelt Only
- ◆ Sand Lance Only
- ◆ Surf Smelt & Sand Lance
- ◆ No Eggs

249 Survey Sites
 25 Sites had Surf Smelt Only
 0 Sites had Sand Lance Only
 1 Site had both Surf Smelt & Sand Lance



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Surveys also conducted by Suquamish Tribe
 and the following County Marine Resource
 Committees: Clallam, Island, Jefferson, Skagit,
 Snohomish and Whatcom