

Addendum to the Shoreline Restoration Plan for Skagit County and the Towns of Hamilton and Lyman

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The following is a summary of the ongoing and potential projects that have experienced changes in implementation status since the Skagit Restoration Plan draft was finalized in December 2014. Relevant projects that have been introduced since December 2014 are also represented below.

Two new projects were identified in the Middle Skagit Management Area and are focused on restoring degraded channels. The Habitat Work Schedule (HWS) and PRISM databases served as sources for project updates.

The following summary of updates to the projects identified in the 2014 document is organized by Shoreline Management Area, as described in the Shoreline Restoration Plan.

Samish Bay Management Area 1 Restoration Opportunities

- None identified

Samish Island, Padilla Bay and East Side of Swinomish Channel Management Area 2 Restoration Opportunities

- The timeframe for the Telegraph-Phase 2 project in Telegraph Slough has changed from “Feasibility Pending-Long-Term” to a “Conceptual Long-Term” project. (Source: HWS 2016)

Swinomish Tribal Reservation and Fidalgo and Other Island Management Areas Restoration Opportunities

- The timeframe for the SneeOosh Lagoon project in Swinomish Tribal Reservation area has moved from feasibility to conceptual design phase, but is still considered a “Long-Term” project. (Source: HWS 2016)

Skagit Bay Delta Management Area Restoration Opportunities

- The Sullivan’s Hacienda project in North Fork Skagit River has moved from feasibility to conceptual design phase, but is still considered a “Long-Term” project. (Source: HWS 2016)
- The Milltown Island project in the South Fork Skagit River was reported as completed in 2012. (Source: HWS 2016)

Lower Skagit Diking Districts Management Area Restoration Opportunities

- None identified

Samish River Management Area Restoration Opportunities

- None identified

Middle Skagit Management Area Restoration Opportunities

- The sponsor for the Careys Slough interim off-channel reconnection restoration project in the Skagit River was previously unknown. The project is now being sponsored by the SFEG. (Source: Project No. 15-1164, PRISM 2016)
- New project: the Skiyou Island Rock Removal, sponsored by the Skagit County Public Works department, would remove rip-rap that has altered the natural migration of the channel of the Skagit River; no functional riparian area is remaining and cows are grazing at the river bank edge. The project would also install approximately 2,400 linear feet of livestock exclusion fencing and native vegetation along much of the property north of the rock. The project timeframe is considered short-term. (Source: Project No. 15-1173, PRISM 2016)
- New project: the Little Baker Channel project would increase freshwater rearing habitat by constructing a side channel on the right bank of the Baker River, which would connect the Skagit River through the relic Little Baker channel. The project is sponsored by the SFEG. The project timeframe is considered Concept-Long-term. (Source: HWS 2016)

Upper Skagit Management Area (WRIA 4) Restoration Opportunities

- The Downey Creek Crossing project in the Suiattle River was completed in 2015. (Source: HWS 2016)
- The Suiattle River Riprap Removal project in the Suiattle River was completed in 2015. (Source: HWS 2016)

Nooksack Management Area (WRIA) Restoration Opportunities

- None identified

Stillaguamish Management Area (WRIA 5) Restoration Opportunities

- None identified