

South Sound Capacity Building



South Puget Sound

Summary



- **4 elements**
 - **Adopted Interim Regional Priorities (in place)**
 - **SPS Ecosystem Recovery Strategy (in development)**
 - **Based on Salmon Recovery Lead Entity Strategies**
 - **Critical to ensure progress, demonstrate capacity**
 - **Policy Authorization (new)**
 - **Funding (new)**

Policy Authorization



- **2014 amendments to Puget Sound Partnership Law (Chapter 90.71 RCW)**
 - Direct recovery at Action Area level
 - Establish structures like Alliance for Healthy South Sound
 - Authorize Action Areas to accept and distribute funds
 - Direct establishment and implementation of Action Area-specific recovery targets, recovery strategies
 - Direct state agencies to accept Action Area priorities

Funding Capacity

- **Line item appropriation**
 - **10-14% Non-tribal National Estuary Program / Puget Sound Geographic Initiative allocation**
 - **Centennial Clean Water Funds**
 - **Others**
 - **Biennial goal: \$4m - \$5m**
- **Block grant redistribution to regional priorities**

