



SNOQUALMIE AND SOUTH FORK SKYKOMISH WATERSHEDS

2026 COOPERATIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT: FINAL GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS



PRC Rank	Project Title	Applicant	Request	Leveraged Funds	PRC Recommendation
	Education & Outreach		\$352,504		\$254,917
1	Snoqualmie Valley Outreach Collective - Pilot	<i>Trout Unlimited</i>	\$40,569	\$5,708	\$40,569
2	Salmon in Schools and Watershed Service Learning	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$88,162	\$11,524	\$88,162
3	Youth Engaged in Sustainable Systems (2027)	<i>Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust</i>	\$137,850	\$13,000	\$70,000
4	Watershed Learning at Snoqualmie Falls	<i>EarthCorps</i>	\$18,757	\$4,600	\$18,757
5	Community Action Training School	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$37,429	\$14,955	\$37,429
-	Friends of Issaquah Salmon Hatchery (FISH) School Education & Outreach	<i>Friends of the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery</i>	\$29,737	n/a	\$0
	Monitoring & Assessment		\$517,203		\$400,068
0	*2027 Snoqualmie River Juvenile Salmon Outmigration Monitoring	<i>Tulalip Tribes</i>	\$140,000	\$0	\$140,000
1	Assessing the value of freshwater habitats through juvenile Chinook prey availability and foraging	<i>King County</i>	\$182,068	\$10,000	\$182,068
2	Fall City Groundwater Study	<i>King County</i>	\$120,233	\$0	\$78,000
-	Floodplain Habitat Function and Juvenile Salmon Response Following Avulsion at the Stillwater Site	<i>Wild Fish Conservancy</i>	\$74,902	n/a	\$0
	Restoration and Protection		\$2,945,834		\$1,020,000
0	*2027 Snoqualmie Restoration and Project Assistance Program	<i>Snoqualmie Forum Staff</i>	\$135,000	\$0	\$135,000
1	S Fork Skykomish - Lower Miller River Floodplain Restoration Imple.	<i>King County</i>	\$1,000,000	\$757,000	\$385,000
2	SE Fish Hatchery Road Habitat Restoration Final Design	<i>King County</i>	\$500,227	\$400,000	\$200,000
3	Cherry Creek Levee Setback Feasibility	<i>WA Dept. Fish & Wildlife</i>	\$498,941	\$0	\$300,000
-	Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater Conservation Easement	<i>King County</i>	\$438,625	n/a	\$0
-	Duvall Meadows/NE 147th PL Culvert Restoration (Bridge Construction)	<i>Wild Fish Conservancy</i>	\$332,741	n/a	\$0
-	Miller Street Conveyance, Water Quality	<i>City of Duvall</i>	\$40,300	n/a	\$0
	Restoration-Riparian		\$1,239,425		\$725,006
1	Snoqualmie River Off-Leash Dog Park Riparian Enhancement - Phase 1	<i>Snoqualmie Indian Tribe</i>	\$214,934	\$5,000	\$214,934
2	Coe Clemons Creek and Snoqualmie River Riparian Restoration, Phase 2	<i>Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust</i>	\$153,938	\$8,562	\$101,507
-	Wallace Acres III: Riparian Maintenance	<i>Stewardship Partners</i>	\$167,970	n/a	\$0
3	Cherry Valley Riparian Restoration and Stewardship Phase I	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$314,007	\$5,739	\$209,647
4	Pearce Farm Riparian Restoration	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$198,918	\$8,808	\$198,918
-	Keasey Site Maintenance and Restoration	<i>EarthCorps</i>	\$79,108	n/a	\$0
-	South Fork Snoqualmie and Tollgate Forest Maintenance and Planting	<i>City of North Bend</i>	\$110,550	n/a	\$0
		Totals	\$5,054,966	\$1,244,896	\$2,399,991
*Projects pre-approved by Snoqualmie Watershed Forum (not evaluated by project review committee)		<i>Shortfall (difference between project request and FCD allocation (\$2,399,991))</i>	\$2,654,975		

Snoqualmie and S. Fork Skykomish Watershed (WRIA 7)

Cooperative Watershed Management – 2026 Project Ranking Committee Funding Recommendations

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

- 1 Snoqualmie Valley Outreach Collective - Pilot
- 2 Salmon in Schools and Watershed Service Learning
- 3 Youth Engaged in Sustainable Systems (2027)
- 4 Watershed Learning at Snoqualmie Falls
- 5 Community Action Training School

MONITORING OR ASSESSMENT

- 1 Assessing the value of freshwater habitats through juvenile Chinook prey availability and foraging
- 2 Fall City Groundwater Study
- 2027 Snoqualmie River Juvenile Salmon Outmigration Monitoring

RESTORATION OR PROTECTION

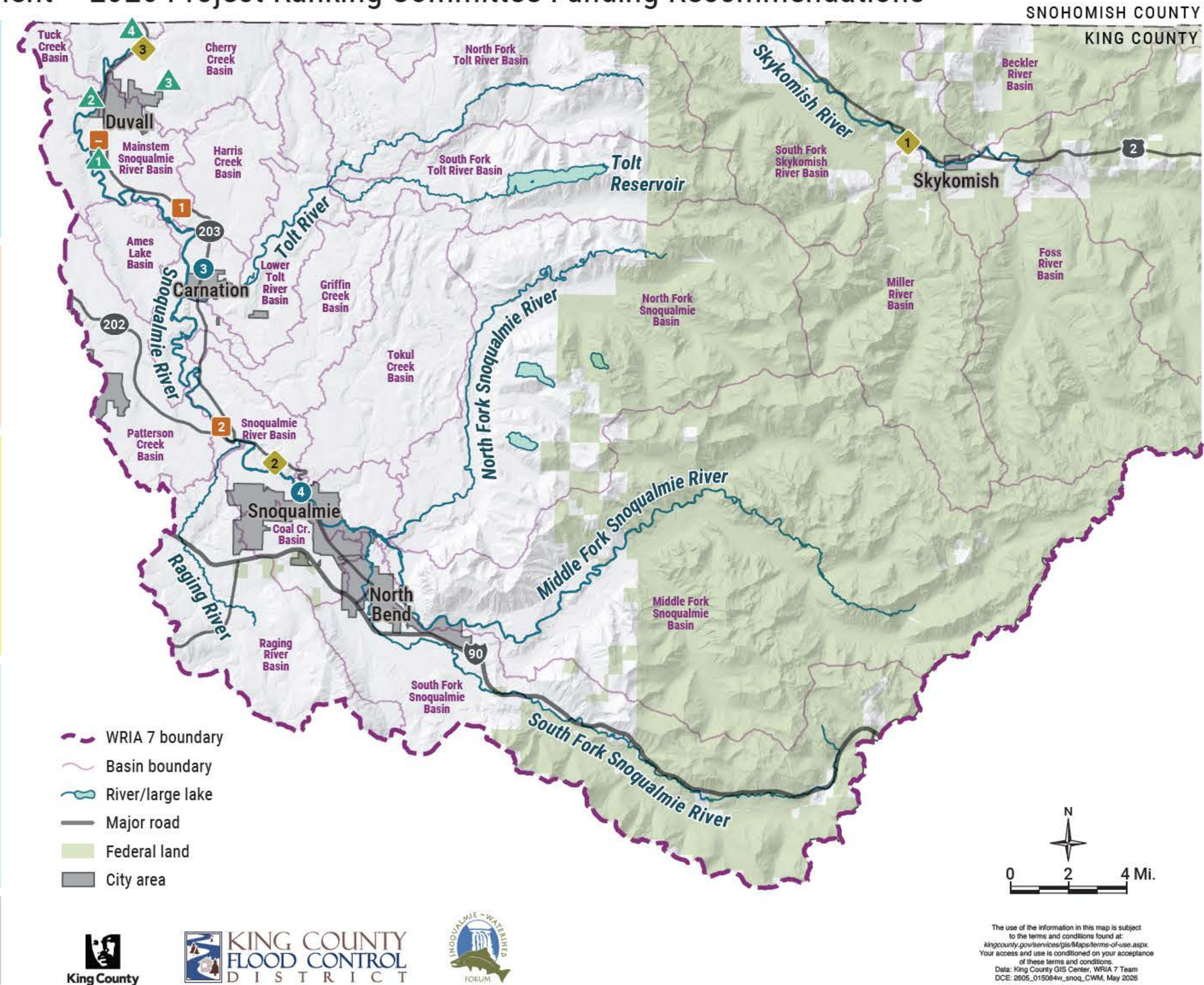
- 1 S Fork Skykomish - Lower Miller River Floodplain Restoration Implementation
- 2 SE Fish Hatchery Road Final Design
- 3 Cherry Creek Levee Setback Feasibility
- 2027 Snoqualmie Restoration and Project Assistance Program

RIPARIAN-ONLY RESTORATION

- 1 Snoqualmie River Off-Leash Dog Park Riparian Enhancement Phase 1
- 2 Coe Clemons Creek and Snoqualmie River Riparian Restoration Phase 2
- 3 Cherry Valley Riparian Restoration and Stewardship
- 4 Pearce Farm Riparian Restoration

WATERSHED-WIDE PROJECTS

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2026 Snoqualmie Watershed Forum / CWM Final Grant Application Summaries

PRC Rank	Project Title	Applicant	Request	Leveraged Funds	PRC Rec.	Short Description
Education & Outreach						
1	Snoqualmie Valley Outreach Collective - Pilot	<i>Trout Unlimited</i>	\$40,569	\$5,708	\$40,569	The Snoqualmie Valley Outreach Collective pilot will establish a coordinated community engagement model that aligns partners around inclusive salmon recovery messaging and outreach activities. Funding supports a partner convening, development of accessible educational materials, and joint outreach at local events throughout the watershed. The project is expected to improve collaboration among community partners, ensure consistent watershed messaging, and increase public awareness and involvement in salmon stewardship. Collectively, these efforts will reach hundreds of residents and reduce barriers to engagement through culturally relevant outreach.
2	Salmon in Schools and Watershed Service Learning	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$88,162	\$11,524	\$88,162	The Salmon in Schools program is a hands-on education program that engages students in salmon education and recovery. The program brings 150 salmon directly to students in King County WRIA 7 schools in conjunction with classroom lessons and a culminating field experience. The program also offers field experiences for middle and high school students. Our curriculum will inspire a greater sense of stewardship within students and the community while connecting individuals with the tangible actions we can all take to improve watershed health. This will fund SIS program to serve eight schools and host three classes for service learning experiences within King County WRIA 7.
3	Youth Engaged in Sustainable Systems (2027)	<i>Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust</i>	\$137,850	\$13,000	\$70,000	Youth Engaged in Sustainable Systems (YESS) is a career-connected internship program for high school students, led by the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust in partnership with the Riverview School District, Washington Network for Innovative Careers Skills Center, and Pacific Education Institute). YESS provides hands-on learning aligned with state standards and natural resource industry competencies. Participants gain valuable skills, explore green careers, and contribute to salmon recovery efforts. Participants receive a \$1,800 stipend, Gear Kit, and Career & Technical Education (CTE) graduation credit. Partial funding at \$70K will support 1 year (10 students).
-	Watershed Learning at Snoqualmie Falls	<i>EarthCorps</i>	\$18,757	\$4,600	\$18,757	EarthCorps will implement a place-based education and outreach project at Snoqualmie Falls that engages young adults and high school students in watershed learning, environmental stewardship, and sense-of-place building within the Snoqualmie Watershed. Grant funds will support the development of educational curriculum in partnership with Snoqualmie Indian Tribe and a full-day workshop and field experience for approximately 30 EarthCorps Corps Members (ages 18–29). The project will center on guided, site-specific learning at Snoqualmie Falls that connects watershed function, stewardship, water quality, and salmon recovery.

-	Community Action Training School	Sound Salmon Solutions	\$37,429	\$14,955	\$37,429	The Community Action Training School (CATS) program provides participants with the knowledge, skills, confidence, and support to plan and implement on-the-ground projects to improve water quality and aid in salmon recovery. CATS participants learn from experts through formal presentations, field experiences, and guided discussions while receiving ongoing mentoring from their program facilitators to develop their own community-driven stewardship action projects to improve watershed health.
-	Friends of Issaquah Salmon Hatchery (FISH) School Education & Outreach	Friends of the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery	\$29,737	\$60,000	\$0	FISH will expand its long-standing salmon science education program to reach more WRIA 7 schools through hatchery field trips, classroom presentations, and interactive science tables at school events. With grant funding, FISH will double its reach to include 16 Title I schools and 16 additional new schools while piloting an immersive classroom salmon science table aligned with WRIA 7 priorities. Expected outcomes include increased understanding of salmon life cycles, watershed health, and local recovery actions among students and families. The program will broaden equitable access to hands-on salmon education and strengthen community engagement in salmon recovery.
Monitoring & Assessment						
-	*2027 Snoqualmie River Juvenile Salmon Outmigration Monitoring	Tulalip Tribes	\$140,000	\$0	\$140,000	The project seeks to continue the annual monitoring of juvenile salmon outmigration in the Snoqualmie River Basin utilizing a rotary screw trap located at river mile 14.1 on the Snoqualmie River in 2027. This project is a part of the overall Snohomish Basin juvenile salmon out migration monitoring effort which began in 2001 and which provides ongoing status, trends and abundance monitoring needed to support run forecasting, and is a quintessential indicator of successful salmon recovery monitoring in the Snohomish Basin.
1	Assessing the value of freshwater habitats through juvenile Chinook prey availability and foraging	King County	\$182,068	\$10,000	\$182,068	This project will evaluate prey availability and juvenile Chinook diets across five river-floodplain habitats in the Snoqualmie River. Plans are to sample four replicates of each habitat type four times from February through June, to evaluate how prey availability and foraging opportunities vary among habitats, through time, and in response to changing environmental conditions. This information will inform the rearing value of different habitats for juvenile Chinook, supporting decisions about where and how to restore salmon habitat. This project is part of a broader effort across WRIs 7, 8, and 9.
2	Fall City Groundwater Study	King County	\$120,233	\$0	\$78,000	This project will monitor how the Fall City restoration project has changed the groundwater table, how the project has influenced temperature regimes (cool water inflows), and if the project improved water storage and supported (increased) stream flows during the low flow period. This monitoring project will help improve our understanding of how floodplain restoration projects in the Snoqualmie change groundwater connections, storage, and streamflow. On a greater context, this monitoring project can help build understanding of the groundwater/river interface resulting from restoration projects that ultimately influence essential habitat conditions for Chinook salmon.

-	Floodplain Habitat Function and Juvenile Salmon Response Following Avulsion at the Stillwater Site	<i>Wild Fish Conservancy</i>	\$74,902	\$10,000	\$0	This project will monitor physical habitat change and fish use following the December 2025 reconnection of a historic oxbow to the Snoqualmie River at the Stillwater floodplain reach. In 2013, Wild Fish Conservancy removed bank revetment to promote lateral channel migration; the recent flood realized this process-based objective. Grant funds will support mapping of channel morphology, inundation patterns, and habitat complexity, and seasonal sampling of juvenile salmonid use of newly accessible side-channel and floodplain habitats. Outcomes will include quantification of connectivity and fish response, and development of transferable metrics to inform design, evaluation, and funding of process-based restoration projects across the region.
Restoration and Protection						
-	*2027 Snoqualmie Restoration and Project Assistance Program	<i>Snoqualmie Forum Staff</i>	\$135,000	\$0	\$135,000	The 2027 Snoqualmie Restoration and Project Assistance Program is an ongoing effort managed and delivered by Snoqualmie Watershed Forum (Forum) staff to maximize success in implementing the 2005 Snohomish River Basin Salmon Conservation Plan (Salmon Plan) in the King County portion of WRIA 7. The program will: 1) assist project implementers in identifying, developing and advancing high priority habitat projects, water quality improvement, planning, education and outreach efforts; 2) conduct Forum-led project coordination activities; and 3) support regional watershed management through policy and technical coordination.
1	S Fork Skykomish - Lower Miller River Floodplain Restoration Implementation	<i>King County</i>	\$1,000,000	\$757,000	\$385,000	Lower Miller River Floodplain Restoration project will restore habitat and reduce flood risk in the lower mile of the Miller River to its confluence with the South Fork Skykomish River in an underserved area of King County. Conditions for multiple ESA-listed salmonids will be optimized by removing artificial constraints on fluvial processes and restoring function and streamflow through the project site. Reconnection of side and back channels with the Miller River mainstem will advance this goal. This implementation phase will include removal of defunct infrastructure, and installation of log structures, setback protection, and riparian native plantings, with benefits conveyed downstream from this headwater subbasin into the future.
2	SE Fish Hatchery Road Habitat Restoration Final Design	<i>King County</i>	\$500,227	\$400,000	\$200,000	The SE Fish Hatchery Road Habitat Restoration Final Design will apply the momentum from King County's preliminary design and progress through final design- taking the last big step before construction on a project that will improve habitat along the mainstem Snoqualmie River and reconnect off-channel habitat between Fall City and Snoqualmie Falls. In 2021 King County decommissioned the SE Fish Hatchery Road Bridge, opening the opportunity to remove 600 feet of old road infrastructure and improve the connection with habitat features in the floodplain at a range of river flow levels. This phase of project is for final design, which will refine the project outcomes and construction cost estimates, and obtain permits.

3	Cherry Creek Levee Setback Feasibility	WA Dept. Fish & Wildlife	\$498,941	\$0	\$300,000	This project is the first step toward setting back the Cherry Creek levee onto Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's Cherry Valley Wildlife Area Unit, restoring natural floodplain processes and habitat along a key tributary to the Snoqualmie River. The feasibility phase will compile existing site data, conduct targeted fieldwork, engage a technical working group, and include public outreach. At least three levee setback alternatives will be developed and evaluated, resulting in a preferred alternative conceptual design. The study area includes approximately 170 acres of low-lying floodplain within the Snoqualmie Valley.
-	Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater Conservation Easement	King County	\$438,625	\$1,315,875	\$0	King County WLRD, with the Snoqualmie Falls Forest Theater, will conserve 88.16 acres of forest, riverfront, & floodplain habitat along the Snoqualmie River downstream of Snoqualmie Falls. Using established real estate practices, King County will evaluate, appraise, negotiate, & secure a conservation easement across four parcels to permanently protect critical salmon and upland habitat. Outcomes include long-term preservation of 2,000 feet of river shoreline, protection of floodplain processes, & safeguarding upland forest that supports water quality & wildlife. This project will prevent future development, ensure habitat connectivity, & contribute to salmon recovery & watershed health.
	Duvall Meadows/NE 147th PL Culvert Restoration (Bridge Construction)	Wild Fish Conservancy	\$332,741	\$350	\$0	Wild Fish Conservancy is requesting funds to replace an ~80 ft long x 1.5 ft diameter total fish barrier and failing culvert crossing NE 147th PL, Duvall, WA. The culvert will be replaced with a 30 ft span x 20 ft wide bridge on a weathered sheet piling foundation. This CWM request is for bridge and foundation materials; funding for construction and monitoring will be sought through KC Flood Control District Flood Reduction Grant. Expected outcomes: replace two total barrier culverts with bridges (one replaced by Duvall Meadows), install ~70 pieces of LWD upstream and downstream of the site, plant native vegetation along disturbed banks (~0.5 acres), monitor site for 5 yrs. The project will improve access to 0.5 miles of salmonid habitat.
	Miller Street Conveyance, Water Quality	City of Duvall	\$40,300	\$150,000	\$0	The City of Duvall will modify an existing stormwater system along NE Miller Street that discharges to Coe-Clemons Creek, a tributary to the Snoqualmie River. The project will address flooding and ponding along the north side of the roadway by installing new stormwater structures and relocating undersized pipe to improve conveyance. Water quality treatment features will be incorporated to treat roadway runoff prior to discharge. Expected outcomes include improved drainage capacity, reduced roadway flooding, and treatment of approximately 2.77 acres of pollution-generating impervious surface.
Restoration-Riparian						
1	Snoqualmie River Off-Leash Dog Park Riparian	Snoqualmie Indian Tribe	\$214,934	\$5,000	\$214,934	Phase 1 of the Snoqualmie River Off-Leash Dog Park Riparian Enhancement project will restore approximately 2,000 linear feet of riparian buffer to improve habitat for Chinook and other salmon along the right bank of the mid-mainstem Snoqualmie River (approx.4 acres). Key actions include removal of dense patches

	Enhancement - Phase 1					of invasive plants and installation of native canopy trees and shrubs on a bank that currently has little tree cover. This project engages a new community partner to access private property on approx. 1-mi reach of the Snoqualmie River just upstream of the Novelty Bridge, south of Duvall, WA.
2	Coe Clemons Creek and Snoqualmie River Riparian Restoration, Phase 2	<i>Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust</i>	\$153,938	\$8,562	\$101,507	The Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust, in partnership with the City of Duvall, will expand riparian restoration efforts at Coe Clemons Creek and along the mainstem Snoqualmie River by incorporating three adjacent parcels. Since 2023, Phase 1 has successfully established 10,050 live stakes to improve salmonid habitat. Phase 2 will focus on weed control, live staking, and native tree and shrub planting along the right bank of the Snoqualmie River, encompassing approximately 5.7-acres. These riparian zones are inundated with reed canary grass, Himalayan blackberry, common holly, and knotweed. The Greenway Trust will lead project design and implementation, engage at least 100 volunteers, and collaborate with the City.
-	Wallace Acres III: Riparian Maintenance	<i>Stewardship Partners</i>	\$167,970	\$12,000	\$0	The project takes place at Wallace Acres (managed by Pistol Creek Management, Inc.) in the Snoqualmie River sub-basin along the north facing, left banks of the Mid-Main stem Snoqualmie River. The project promotes outcomes associated with Best Management Practices (BMPs) as part of Stewardship Partners' (SP) voluntary incentive-based approach to landowner stewardship. SP will maintain approximately 7,580 linear feet (24 acres) of previously restored riparian habitat. Habitat buffers average 135'. Since 2010, SP has been restoring this property. Ongoing maintenance would ensure the success of these large restorations. Approximately 1,000 native trees/shrubs will be planted, mostly conifers.
3	Cherry Valley Riparian Restoration and Stewardship Phase I	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$314,007	\$5,739	\$209,647	SSS proposes to conduct riparian restoration on 10.55 acres along Cherry Creek and 3 tributaries. This work will take place at 3 worksites between creek miles 1.8 & 2.65. Activities will include invasive vegetation control & native plant installation along 4,540 linear ft of creek bank. This will enhance shade, reduce water temperature, improve soil stability, increase dissolved oxygen levels, and positively impact salmonid populations, including Chinook, Coho, & Steelhead. SSS will host up to 3 volunteer events & publicly promote the project 5 times to increase community education and engagement. SSS will also install 2,000 plants & 700 plant protectors at 2 previously funded CWM project sites to remediate impacts from 2025 flood events.

4	Pearce Farm Riparian Restoration	<i>Sound Salmon Solutions</i>	\$198,918	\$8,808	\$198,918	Sound Salmon Solutions (SSS) proposes to restore native riparian forest on 7.7+ acres of degraded riparian land along 2,800 feet of the mainstem Snoqualmie River north of Duvall, WA. SSS will treat patches of invasive Himalayan blackberry and other invasive plants, establish 13,000 native trees and shrubs, and engage the public in learning about watershed health through educational activities and outreach. The restoration of riparian vegetation in the mainstem primary restoration subwatersheds is considered a top-priority action for salmon recovery and is expected to produce multiple ecological benefits, including reduced water temperatures, improved aquatic food resources, and increased structural and ecological complexity.
-	Keasey Site Maintenance and Restoration	<i>EarthCorps</i>	\$79,108	\$20,240	\$0	EarthCorps proposes to continue restoration and stewardship at the Keasey site, located along the Snoqualmie River in Redmond. Crews will conduct targeted stewardship to improve habitat quality and protect prior restoration investments. The site was originally planted in 2023 but has experienced reduced plant survival due to harsh environmental conditions, including exposure and soil limitations. Efforts will restore approx. 1.5 acres (0.25 miles of river frontage) w/in the 4.5-acre site. Work includes invasive species control, native plant protection, and survival enhancement to improve overall site health & resilience.
-	South Fork Snoqualmie and Tollgate Forest Maintenance and Planting	<i>City of North Bend</i>	\$110,550	\$0	\$0	The City of North Bend and the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust are proposing new and continued restoration of the riparian corridor throughout Tollgate Forest, improving conditions across over 50 acres of this City of North Bend property and along 3,000 feet of both banks of the South Fork Snoqualmie River. This project will emphasize the control of nonnative weeds through manual, mechanical, and chemical practices, the planting of native trees and understory species, and the protection and establishment of plantings. Work will be completed by the Greenway Trust's seasonal restoration crew and overseen by restoration program staff. This project will accomplish the planting of 2,500 native trees and shrubs and 1,500 live stakes.
		Totals	\$5,054,966	\$2,813,362	\$2,399,991	