

Who is the Skagit "Stream Team?"



Our Goals: To document in an accurate and meaningful manner the water quality (WQ) in Skagit County's priority watersheds, including: Samish Bay, Padilla Bay, Fisher Creek, Kulshan Creek, Trumpeter Basin, Nookachamps Creek, Gages Slough, and Ace of Hearts Creek.

Our Methods:

Groups of two to four individuals working as a "Stream Team" will perform monthly testing of their watersheds and enter their data into a database at the Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve or the Skagit Conservation District. The following parameters will be documented:



Temperature
Fecal Coliform (FC)
Turbidity
Depth
Dissolved Oxygen

A Success: Each team collects accurate WQ data on a monthly basis. The data is compiled, graphed, and communicated.

A Bonus: Each team's data will identify the baseline WQ, the problem areas, the effectiveness of Best Management Practices (BMPs), and the presence of salmon and the conditions they need to survive.



Local Partnership: The Skagit Stream Team is a partnership of local citizens, the Skagit Conservation District, Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, the City of Anacortes, the City of Burlington, the City of Mount Vernon, and Skagit County

Questions?

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