



# memorandum

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subject **Errata Sheet**  
**October 2012 Mason County Shoreline Inventory and Characterization Report**

Information provided in this Errata Sheet is intended to clarify and correct inventory information summarized in the October 2012 Mason County Shoreline Inventory and Characterization Report (ICR) prepared by Environmental Science Associates (ESA), Herrera Environmental Consultants and Coastal Geologic Services.

ESA prepared a comprehensive inventory of the existing conditions for shorelines of the state in Mason County as part of the County's Shoreline Master Program (SMP) update. ESA, working with the County staff, prepared an initial draft inventory report in May 2011, followed by a complete draft in June 2011. This ICR was then posted on the County's web page for public review and comment. ESA addressed public comments, including those from the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and the Joint Technical Advisory Committee (JTAC), and prepared a final draft report dated October 2012. Since the posting of the October 2012 report, a limited number of comments have been received by Mason County DCD. This errata sheet responds to comments received and corrects information provided in the ICR. The corrections are outlined below.

## Status of Summer Chum Salmon

Summer chum salmon are documented to occur in both Hood Canal and South Puget Sound. However, summer chum found in South Sound are not a species federally listed under the Endangered Species Act. Only Hood Canal populations of summer chum are listed as Threatened.

The Final Draft ICR erroneously lists the summer chum in South Sound as a Threatened species. This error affected tables in Chapters 3, 5 and 6 where summer chum are mentioned. For example, the correction to Table 3-3 p. 3-27 would be as follows:

**Table 3-1. Salmon and Trout Species Identified in Mason County Shoreline Planning Areas**

Species	WRIA 14a	WRIA 15	WRIA 16/14b	WRIA 22
Bull trout/Dolly Varden*			X	X
Chinook salmon*	X	X	X	X
<u>South Sound Summer Chum</u>	X	X		
<u>Hood Canal Summer Chum*</u>			<u>X</u>	
Chum salmon	X	X		
Coastal cutthroat trout	X	X	X	X

Species	WRIA 14a	WRIA 15	WRIA 16/14b	WRIA 22
Coho salmon	X	X	X	X
Kokanee salmon	X		X	
Pink salmon	X		X	
Rainbow trout	X	X	X	X
Sockeye salmon			X	
Steelhead trout*	X	X	X	X

\* Federally listed under the Endangered Species Act.

### **Coastal Cutthroat Trout**

Coastal cutthroat trout are another salmonid species present in South Puget Sound as described in the October 2012 ICR. Tables 5-3 and 5-11 should be revised to include known spawning of coastal cutthroat trout in South Puget Sound; this is documented by the Squaxin Island Tribe. The October 2012 report did not list spawning habitat for coastal cutthroat trout as a habitat use. For example, Table 5-3 on page 5-9 should be revised as follows:

**Table 5-3. Priority salmonid species documented for Case Inlet, Pickering Passage, and Peale Passage**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Use	Federal Listing	State Listing
Coastal cutthroat trout	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki clarki</i>	Known spawning and Presence/Migration	~	~
fall Chinook salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	Presence/Migration	Threatened	Candidate
fall Chum salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus keta</i>	Known spawning and Presence/Migration	~	~
summer Chum salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus keta</i>	Known spawning	Threatened	Candidate
Coho salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	Known spawning and Presence/Migration	Concern	~
Rainbow trout	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Presence/Migration	~	~
winter Steelhead trout	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Presence/Migration	Threatened	~