



Mason Conservation District

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Board of Supervisor Monthly Summary of Activities May 2016

Community Engagement

Kevin Schmelzlen was hired in mid-April to lead the District's community engagement efforts. He has been developing a work plan to most effectively utilize the District's existing resources in order to increase public awareness and recognition of Mason Conservation District's endeavors and to get the Mason County community more involved in the District's efforts. This work plan will include the collection of testimonials from past partner-beneficiaries of Mason Conservation District's work to highlight the success that the District has had in protecting and conserving our area's important natural resources.



Amy set up a booth at the Master Gardener's Plant Sale to promote the Manure Exchange Program and an upcoming compost workshop.

Students are planting seeds and starts in the Evergreen Elementary School garden that was designed by Katrinka.

Farm Planning

Amy recently attended a Conservation Planner III training course and will be working on her certification. Katrinka's landowner finished a drainage improvement project around his barn.

Salmon Habitat Restoration Update

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- SRFB site visits completed
- Waiting for comments from Review Panel on projects
- Lead entity tasks moving forward as scheduled and planned

Hood Canal

- SRFB site visits completed. Projects were well received.
- Met with Floodplains By Design (FBD) project manager who was impressed with scope of work ready for implementation in the Skokomish

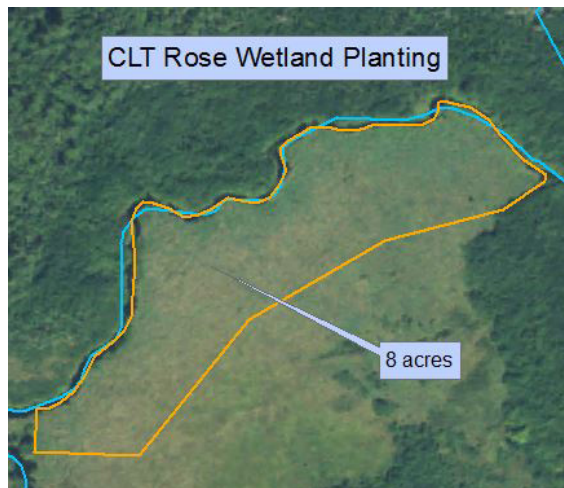
Engineering Team Update

Rodney has begun supervising the survey crew and their time, creating a schedule on the Z: drive to keep track of their weekly schedule, which is resultant of the Engineering Meeting attended by Rich, John and Rodney. The engineering team has taken both DNR/WDFW as well as contractors on site visits to the (2) FFFPP sites, Koski and Leonard, that are scheduled to be constructed this season; performed AutoCad and calculation revisions to both projects to satisfy changing site parameters at those two sites. Rodney has performed design and structural analysis operations on (2) waste storage structures (Carlson and Griffinwood) and designed a bank stabilization for a property owner in Tahuya. Finally, construction will begin in June on the Skokomish Estuary Phase 3C which will involve Rodney continues to assist/train Jesse in operations of the engineering realm.

Mason CD Crew Update

CREW—During the month of May the crew: 1) planted 8500 willow stakes on a Capital Land Trust site dominated with reed canary grass along Goldsborough Creek; 2) planted approximately 3500 conifers, and 1600 shrubs within the Skokomish River Watershed; and 3) performed maintenance on approximately 15 acres of riparian plantings.

Mitch Redfern—During this month: 1) performed 2016/2017 CREP project management 2) coordinated crew efforts; 3) worked on the final application phase of the SRFB grant round; and 4) conducted landowner outreach for planting and knotweed treatment.



Green Stormwater Infrastructure Program Development

Karin and Katrinka visited several stormwater pond naturalization projects in Kitsap County as inspiration for work here in Mason County.



Shore Friendly Mason

Lots of SFM site visits and Nearshore Technical Team visits.