

Action Agenda Update – Objectives for Question 3

- Revise the big buckets (priorities) to track ecosystem components.
- Flatten and simplify organization, e.g., eliminate sub-strategy (A.1.1.1) level; these will become sub-strategies, actions (many already reiterate the near-term actions), or go away (if appropriate).
- Orient the structure to Open Standards to show what strategies are intended to achieve.
- Map actions to strategies (i.e., list actions with strategies, or otherwise map back to the specific strategies they support).
- Integrate the targets into Question 3 instead of/or in addition to in a separate part of the Action Agenda. For example, targets (and measures) related to protection and restoration of terrestrial and freshwater ecosystems would be described near the beginning of section A.
- Have Sound-wide strategies and sub-strategies with both sound-wide and local actions. LIOs or Action areas might also have particular sub-strategies tailored to their circumstances.

Proposed Definitions

Goals: Overall the Partnership is led by six goals (set in statute) to achieve by 2020. A goal is a condition or state that an organization is striving to achieve.

Level	Heading	Definition	Example
A	Priority	Specific major program areas that support the goals.	Protect intact marine and marine nearshore ecosystem processes, structures, and functions
	Target	Measureable interim milestone of achievement used to demonstrate progress towards ecosystem recovery.	A 20% increase in eelgrass in 2020 over baseline measurements.
A.1	Strategy	Specific areas of focus within priorities.	Protect. Prevent pollutants from being introduced into Puget Sound ecosystem to decrease loadings of toxics, nutrients, and pathogens
A.1.1	Sub-Strategy	A collection of actions that work to support a strategy.	Implement targeted air emission and source control programs for land-based vehicles, marine vessels, and air transportation.
	Action	A specific activity or set of tasks that: is assigned to a lead agency or organization; can be measured and evaluated for completeness and distinguished from other actions; and supports a strategy.	Implement trip reduction commuter programs in Counties A, B, and C

Question 3 - Outline

A. Protect and Restore Terrestrial and Freshwater Ecosystems

- Context for the importance of protecting and restoring these ecosystems to the overall recovery of Puget Sound.
- Discussion of ecosystem recovery targets related to terrestrial and freshwater systems.

Smart Growth, Development, Land Use and Land Protection.

- A1.** Focusing growth away from ecologically important and sensitive areas and encouraging dense and compact cities
- A2.** Long-term protection and stewardship of working farms and forests

Restore Key Terrestrial and Freshwater Habitats.

- A3.** Implementation and maintenance of key restoration projects including those identified in existing species recovery plans

Sustain Freshwater Availability for Instream and Human Uses.

- A4.** Instream flow protection and enhancement
A5. Groundwater protection and management
A6. Water conservation; water law reform; and promotion of opportunities to reuse and reclaim water

Protect and Recover Salmon.

- A7.** Implementation of salmon recovery plans in a coordinated way; fishing and harvest rates; and hatcheries and other artificial propagation methods

Protect and Recover other Native Terrestrial and Freshwater Species.

- A8.** Implementation of other plans in a coordinated way and maintenance and enhancement of biodiversity
A9. Invasive species prevention and response

Fill Key Science and Information Gaps for Terrestrial and Freshwater.

- A10.** Strategies and actions to flow from the Biennial Science Work Plan effort.

B. Protect and Restore Marine and Marine Nearshore Ecosystems

- Context for the importance of protecting and restoring these ecosystems to the overall recovery of Puget Sound.
- Discussion of ecosystem recovery targets related to marine and nearshore ecosystems.

Nearshore Growth, Working Waterfronts, and Marine Protection.

- B1.** Protection of marine and nearshore ecosystems that still function well (including acquisition and marine reserves) and marine spatial planning
B2. Promotion of economic viability of working waterfronts; and ensuring public access to Puget Sound (including the swimming beach and shellfish and fish advisory programs)

Restore Marine and Marine Nearshore Areas.

- B3.** Implementation and maintenance of restoration projects from species recovery plans, watershed plans, and SMP; shellfish bed restoration; derelict gear and vessel programs; and encouraging private landowner restoration actions

Protect and Recover Native Marine Species.

- B4.** Implementation of recovery plans in a coordinated way and maintenance and enhancement of biodiversity
B5. Invasive species prevention and response

Fill Key Science and Information Gaps for Marine and Nearshore.

- B6** Strategies and actions to flow from the BSWP effort

C. Reduce and Control the Sources of Pollution to Puget Sound

- Context for the importance of these efforts to the overall recovery of Puget Sound.
- Discussion of ecosystem recovery targets related to these efforts.

Prevent and Reduce Toxic Loadings into Puget Sound.

- C1.** Toxic chemical law and policy reform; toxics reduction; and air emission controls for vehicles, vessels and airplanes
- C2.** Implementation of water quality programs to manage TMDLs

Control and Manage Stormwater.

- C3.** Strategies and actions to flow from the new Stormwater Vision

Prevent Pathogen and Nutrient Loadings into Puget Sound.

- C4.** Improvement in wastewater treatment capacity and techniques (both plants and on-site systems)
- C5.** Reduction of vessel discharges

Oil Spills and Toxics Cleanup.

- C6.** Oil spill prevention, readiness and response
- C7.** Cleanup of toxic contamination (including MTCA and other cleanup sites)

D. Sustain, Coordinate, and Adapt Puget Sound Recovery Efforts

- Context for the importance of these efforts to the overall recovery of Puget Sound.
- Discussion of ecosystem recovery targets related to these efforts.

Capacity Building and Coordination.

- D1.** Support for engagement of tribes, local governments, state agencies, and the federal government
- D2.** Coordination with broader Salish Sea, Pacific Northwest, and West Coast efforts
- D3.** Ensure stable funding for Action Agenda implementation

Public Outreach and Education.

- D4.** Social and institutional infrastructure for broad-scale public engagement to foster stewardship and advance beneficial behaviors
- D5.** Increase public awareness about issues facing Puget Sound and individual and cumulative impacts
- D6.** Cultivate broad-scale practices and behaviors among Puget Sound residents that benefit Puget Sound

Continue to Advance Cross Cutting Concerns.

- D7.** Climate change information and adaptation
- D8.** Other cross-cutting concerns/issues

Performance, Science, Learning and Adaptation.

- D9.** Performance management
- D10.** Science and ecosystem monitoring
- D11.** Adaptation and updates to the Action Agenda