

**Status of Action Agenda Question:
What is the status of Puget Sound's health? What are the biggest
threats to it?**

Purpose of Meeting Discussion

- Overview of this action agenda question, emerging content from the Risk Analysis, and summary of Action Area profile concept
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Overview

The answer to this question will form a “problem” statement for the ecosystem, as well as each of the six Partnership goals. This section of the Action Agenda will serve as one bookend--our starting baseline.

Building blocks to help answer this question

- Sound-wide Risk Analysis (Sound-wide information)
- Action Area Profiles (local information)
- Topic Forums (issue focused information)

Sound-wide status and threats (risk analysis)

The purpose of the Sound-wide risk assessment is to provide spatially explicit summaries of existing information on status of ecosystem components (Partnership goals), threats and drivers in watershed, estuarine, and marine portions of the ecosystem. At the Leadership Council meeting, Mary Ruckelshaus will present information from the draft risk analysis and next steps. The draft is now posted on the Partnership website if Leadership Council members wish to review it.

Action Area Profiles

To complement the Sound-wide work, the Partnership will work with each action area to produce an “Action Area profile”. The profiles will include two-page narrative, map, and two “cartoon” diagrams showing the local links between threats and management actions. A very draft sample from the Strait of Juan de Fuca is attached for reference. This work is underway and the liaisons are gathering local information now. Two profiles, one urban and one rural will be ready in advance of the May Ecosystem Coordination Board meeting. The others will be complete in June.