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New Video on Salmon Recovery Available

We at the Recreation and Conservation Office and the Governor's Salmon Recovery Office are proud of our work to finalize and distribute our new video and clips about salmon recovery in Washington State. Our wide distribution is in progress. Please help us spread the word about the salmon recovery story and our state's great work to recover these iconic species.

The 10-minute video and 2-minute clips reveal why salmon are so important to Washington State. The videos present perspectives from tribes, agencies, scientists, public citizens, and other salmon recovery partners working to bring salmon back from the brink of extinction. Visit our [YouTube site](#) and watch the videos. We've had important successes in salmon recovery over the past several years. The videos emphasize some of the returns on our investments as well as the need for continued support. While we need to show the progress we are making, there is work ahead and some salmon populations are still in serious trouble. These issues are also detailed by the Treaty Indian Tribes in western Washington in their paper on tribal [Treaty Rights at Risk](#) and in the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission's [State of the Watersheds Report](#).

Please help us get the word out by linking to the videos on your Web site and Facebook page, or hey, even mention them in a tweet. If you are considering your own video project, we can make the footage available to you. Contact [Jennifer Johnson](#).

RCO promotes two of its own:

RCO has promoted two team members into previously vacant positions. Brian Abbott was selected as the Executive Coordinator of the Governor's Office of Salmon Recovery. Brian has been with RCO since in 2000 and has worked as an outdoor grants manager and most recently as the Salmon Recovery Section manager. Leslie Ryan-Connelly has been promoted to natural resource policy specialist. Leslie has worked for RCO since 2004 as an outdoor grants manager, salmon recovery policy specialist, acquisition specialist, and compliance specialist. Both Brian and Leslie bring expertise and dedication to their positions and RCO looks forward to seeing them succeed.