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Working with DNR— Implementing Restoration on State-Owned Aquatic Lands

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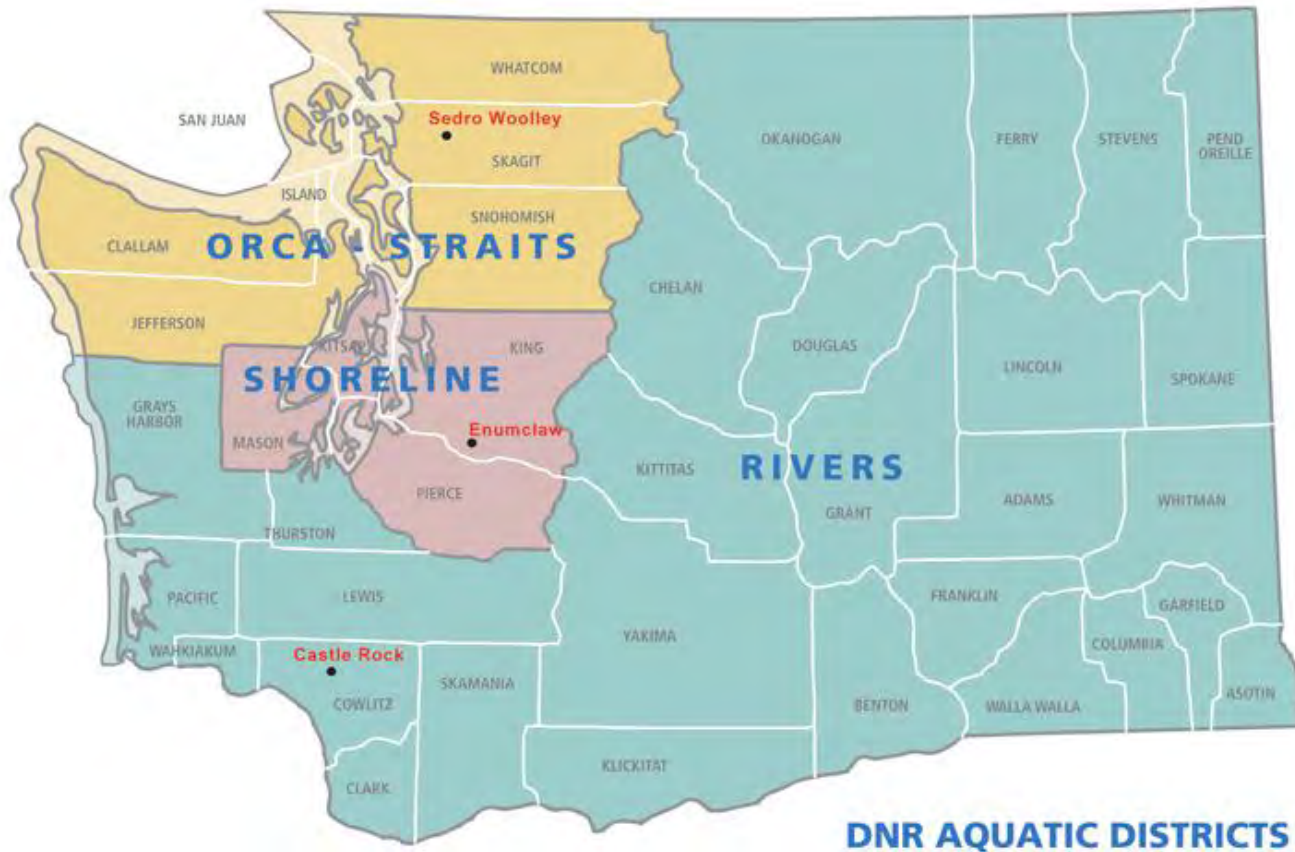
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DNR Aquatic Districts



Presentation Objectives

- Quick refresher—DNR and State-owned aquatic lands
- Why DNR is involved with restoration projects
- The aquatics use-authorization process



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Who is DNR?

Manages over 5 million acres of state-owned land

Provides public access and geological services, develops conservation strategies, and fights wildfires

Management Revenue provides funding to support state programs and institutions



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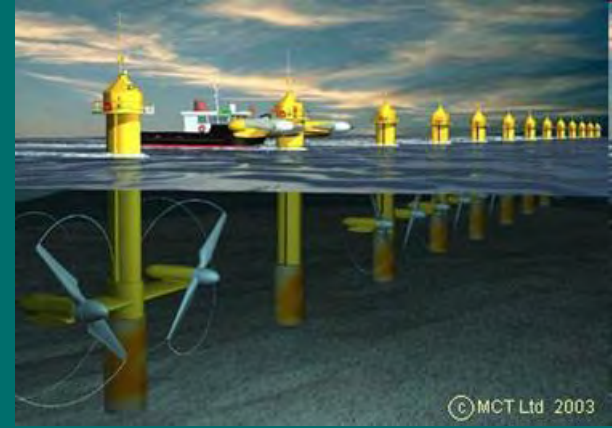


Aquatic Resources Division

DNR is steward of over 2.6 million acres of state-owned aquatic lands

DNR manages lands for a balance of public benefits

Aquatic land leasing, geoduck harvest, derelict vessel removal, Aquatic Reserves



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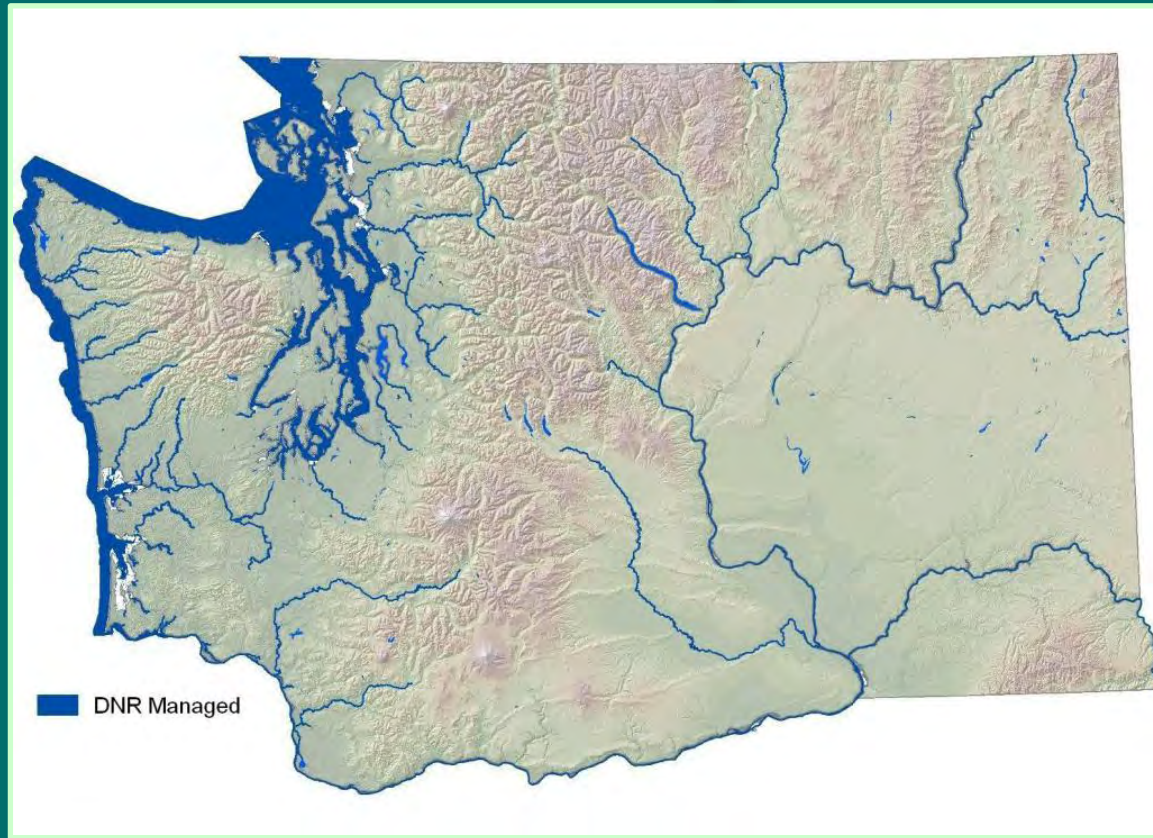
DNR's Authority is Proprietary



- **NOT** regulatory
- Typically a longer-term relationship with applicants than our regulatory counterparts
- A unique, distinct role among government agencies



State-owned Aquatic Lands



“...all tidelands, shorelands, harbor areas, the beds of navigable waters, and waterways owned by the state and administered by **DNR...**”

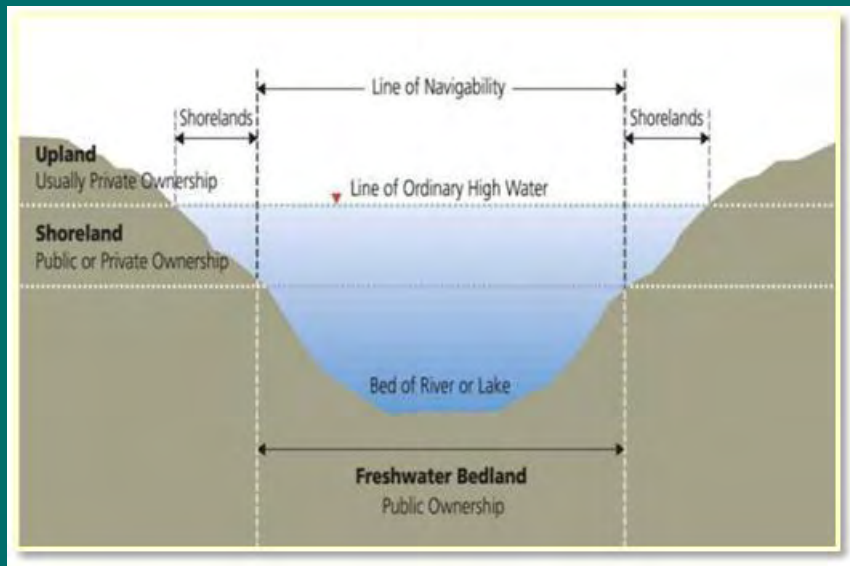
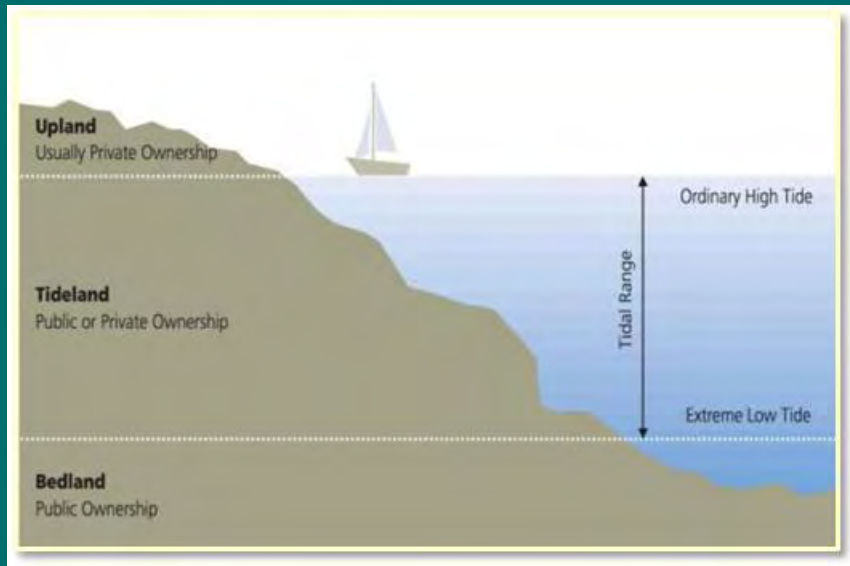
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Navigable Waters

“...are presently used, have been used in the past, or may be susceptible for use to transport intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce.”

-WAC 332-30-106



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- Actually, this is **not** new
- Yes, DNR is more visible due to safety concerns and other factors, but DNR approval has always been required for these projects



Navigating the DNR Use-Authorization Process



Determine Ownership

- Contact DNR when planning projects to determine ownership
- Include DNR staff in project planning meetings



Determine Type of Agreement

- Right of Entry

- For short-term project implementation activities
- 1 – 5 year period
- Requires administrative fee, insurance, and bonding for the period of the agreement
- Does not provide long-term ability to manage the project or certainty that the project will be protected from conflicts with future uses



Determine Type of Agreement

- Easements,
Leases
 - For long-term project management and protection activities
 - 30 year period – or greater
 - Requires administrative fee, insurance, and bonding for the period of the agreement
 - Provides long-term ability to manage the project and preclude other uses



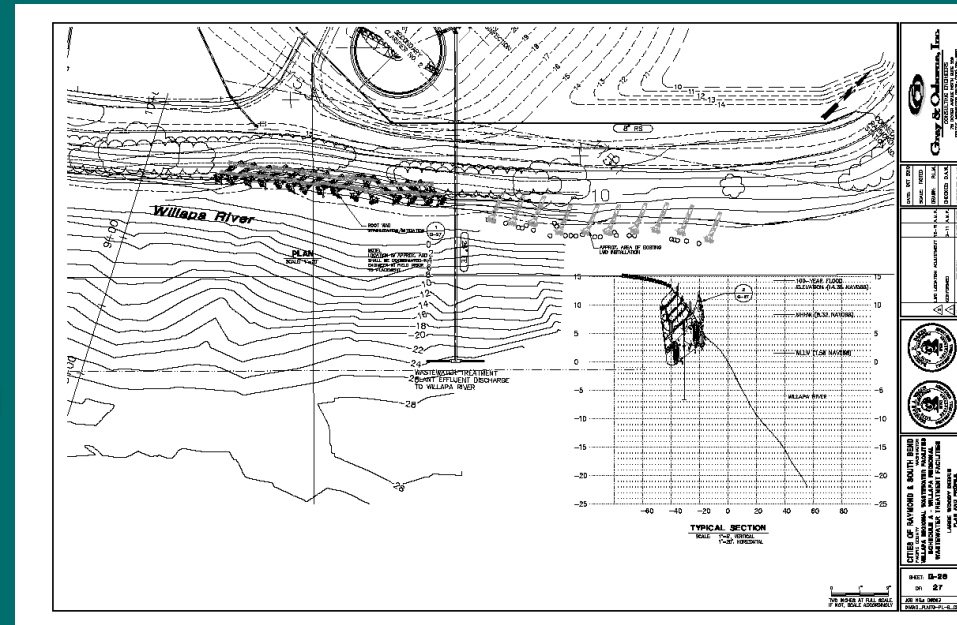
Submit Use Authorization Application

- Submit the application as soon as possible
- Ideally, DNR's review is concurrent with permit processing
- Can take six months to complete an agreement



Submit Project Information

- Detailed project plans
 - Engineered projects will need to be stamped by an engineer
- Detailed site information
- Public safety evaluation
- Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan
- Permits



Complete Agreement

- Obtain insurance and bonds as needed
- Enter into legal agreement
 - Requires signatory authority for organization

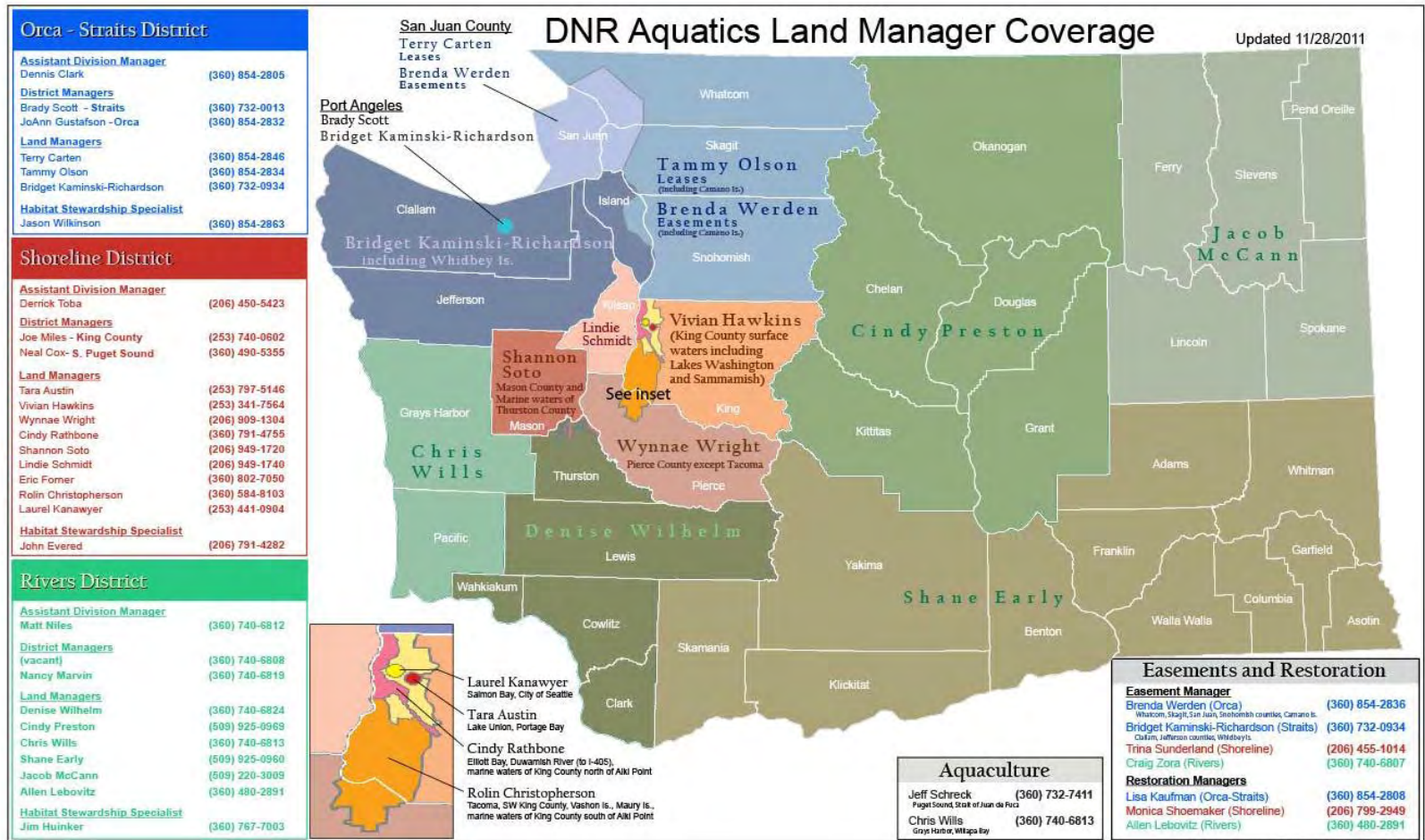


Partnership Opportunities

- Assistance with project planning
- Funding
 - Supplemental
 - Primary
- Project identification and planning
-**Long**-term monitoring



WDNR Staff to Work With



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Questions?

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