



Community Development - Lwr Dungeness Floodplain 30301.311.

Mission Statement

Restore habitat for salmon and other wildlife while increasing flood protection for the community.

Function

The Lower Dungeness Floodplain Restoration Capital Project reconnects the lower Dungeness River to its historic channels & floodplain, ensuring the perpetual conservation and restoration of wetlands, floodplain, shoreline, and associated buffers. This Capital Project benefits the more than 100 fish and bird species currently using this site, including four ESP-listed salmon

Community Involvement:

- Convene Citizen work groups, public forums, and other public involvement opportunities in order to keep our community active and informed while implementing this DCD capital project.
- Represent Clallam County on various work groups, committees, and other boards addressing a wide range of land use and natural resource related issues including, but not limited to:
 - Dungeness Monitoring Framework
 - Strait Ecosystem Recovery Network
 - Dungeness River Management Team
 - Lower Dungeness Restoration

Capital Project Management Planning-Lower Dungeness Floodplain Restoration Project:

- Seek and manage grants to fund the development of returning the Dungeness River to its original floodplain.
- Develop, update and implement salmon recovery, habitat restoration, monitoring, and floodplain management plans.
- Oversee the Dungeness Floodplains Project, including but not limited to Consultant Services, Right of Way Property Acquisition, Project Engineering, Permitting, Monitoring, and Floodplain Riparian Site Work.
- Discover collaborative ways to protect and restore marine and freshwater habitat, support salmon and bottom fish recovery, and examine resource management alternatives.

Trends/Events

The structure of the lower Dungeness Levee was completed in November, 2022. Work will continue throughout 2024 in the form of ongoing monitoring, invasive weed control, slope maintenance, and native plantings. Question remains as to the final surface of the levee, which may include a pedestrian trail, a road surface, or some combination thereof. Additional public outreach is planned for the fall of 2023 before a final determination is made. At the present, the most likely scenario is pedestrian improvements with parking at the north (completed) and south ends of the project site. Costs affiliated with this alternative are included in this budget proposal. The re-opened floodplain is already starting to show significant signs of habitat restoration and positive impacts on endangered fish species.

Goals

1. Restore habitat for salmon and other species.
2. Improve environmental quality for humans, fish and wildlife.
3. Enhance community flood protection.

Workload Indicators

	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	6/30/23 Actual
Hours worked on Dungeness Floodplain	1,602	2,187	1,043

Grant Funding Sources

1. Recreation & Conservation Office-Lower Dungeness Floodplain Restoration.

Revenues

	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	6/30/23 Actual	2024 Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	35,983	35,984	3,255,321	776,645
Taxes	0	0	0	0
Licenses and Permits	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental Revenues	899,909	12,064,574	920,346	1,552,795
Charges for Goods and Services	0	0	0	0
Fines and Forfeits	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	0	0	0	0
Other Funding Sources	0	0	0	0
Transfers In	1,276,118	3,400,000	0	0
Total	2,212,010	15,500,558	4,175,667	2,329,440

Expenditures

	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	6/30/23 Actual	2024 Budget
Ending Fund Balance	35,283	3,256,020	1,488,351	124,716
Salaries and Wages	93,547	0	0	0

Personnel Benefits	38,769	0	0	0
Supplies	302	31,585	644	5,139
Other Services and Charges	1,755,339	12,139,642	657,034	1,458,088
Intergovernmental Services	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlays	0	0	0	0
Interfund Payments for Services	58,769	73,311	29,638	58,497
Transfers Out	230,000	0	2,000,000	683,000
Total	2,212,010	15,500,557	4,175,667	2,329,440

Staffing

	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Budget
Full Time Equivalents	1.46	0.00	0.00	0.00

*New fund in 2019