

## DRAFT Agenda for Science Symposium

### Puget Sound Nearshore Partnership

May 12, 2008

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Pierce County Environmental Services Building

**Objective:** To achieve a common understanding of, and program support for, three major areas of inquiry that are being explored as part of the PSNERP General Investigation study.

**Focus Question:** Before the meeting, each participant (NST, IT, Steering Committee members) should consider:

- What is your understanding of the intended purpose and anticipated products for Change Analysis, Future Scenarios, and the Strategic Needs Assessment?
- How would you describe each in 1 or 2 sentences?
- What are the strengths and limitations of these methods and products?

**These questions are attached as a separate template. Please answer them as “homework” before the meeting. You will be asked to revise your answers afterward, in preparation for the June Nearshore Retreat.**

Time	Topic	Process	Who
9:00 – 9:15	Introduction	Introductions, review agenda, set the context for the day’s work. Volunteers will be asked to share relevant homework answers before each of the major presentations.	Margen
9:15 – 10:45	<b>Change Analysis</b>	Presentation ~ The “PSNERP Approach” to comparing historic and current conditions in Puget Sound nearshore ecosystems. Discussion of the implications of technical decisions made by the team – trade-offs, strengths, weaknesses.	Si Simenstad & Jen Burke
10:45 – 11:00	Break		All
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Change Analysis</b>	Clarifying questions ~ Do you understand what is being done?	All
11:30 – 12:00	Lunch		All
12:00 – 12:45	<b>Strategic Needs Assessment</b>	Presentation ~ Translating what we’ve learned from Change Analysis into identification of restoration strategies and priorities.	Doug Myers
12:45 – 1:15		Clarifying questions ~ Do you understand what is being done?	All
1:15 – 2:00	<b>Future Scenarios</b>	Presentation ~ Urban Ecology Research Laboratory’s development of Future Scenarios. How were they developed, and how can they be used to evaluate alternatives?	Marina Alberti
2:00 – 2:30		Clarifying questions ~ Do you understand what is being done?	All
2:30 – 2:45	Break		All
2:45 – 4:00	<b>Discussion</b>	Nearshore Partnership discussion. Potential topics include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What uses (beyond PSNERP GI) do you see for the Change Analysis?</li> <li>• Where do you see Future Scenarios fitting into our program? Are there uses beyond the GI?</li> <li>• How will the Change Analysis be handed off to the Implementation Team for inclusion in the SNAR?</li> </ul>	All
4:00	Adjourn	Hand out brief survey that asks participants for feedback on presentations to prepare for sharing w/ other audiences. Remind participants that we will be revisiting the homework questions (and their revised answers) at the June Nearshore Retreat.	Margen