

NORTH OLYMPIC PENINSULA
RESOURCE CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT

NOP RC&D

2010 Annual Plan

North Olympic Peninsula Resource Conservation & Development Council

Serving Clallam and Jefferson Counties, Washington State



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Vision Statement:

“To be a catalyst for both regional economic development and sustainable use of natural resources leading to improved local quality of life.”

Mission Statement:

“The NOP RC&D Council brings people and resources together to measurably enhance community vitality and our natural environment for present and future generations.”

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GOAL 1: Conserve the Area's working lands and open space.

OBJECTIVE 1.1: Collaborate on four projects that conserve open space and working lands by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
1.1	Assist in the development of North-South Elwha trail and dam viewing platform project.	Jan-10	Dec-10	Mike Doherty	Clallam County	

OBJECTIVE 1.2: Collaborate on three projects that lead to forestland conservation and improvement in the area by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
1.2.1	Develop a project that will promote sustainable forestry practices and certification of local forest products in conjunction with Col-Pac RC&D	Jan-10	Sep-10	Mike Doherty	Northwest Natural Resources Group, Col-Pac, Jefferson Landworks	

OBJECTIVE 1.3: Collaborate on two projects that demonstrate, promote and encourage sustainable agriculture in the area by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
1.3.1	Work with local sustainable agriculture groups to build organizational capacity and provide technical assistance to help them accomplish their missions.	on-going		Jim McEntire Mike McFadden	Jefferson Landworks, Friends of the Fields, Farmers Markets	
1.3.2	Facilitate creation of a food policy council for the North Olympic Peninsula	Jan-10	Dec-10	Curtis Beus	Multiple groups	

GOAL 2: Protect and restore the Area's fish and wildlife habitats.

OBJECTIVE 2.1: Collaborate on three projects to protect and restore riparian or wetland ecosystems by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
	No projects currently					

OBJECTIVE 2.2: Collaborate on two projects to protect and restore coastal and shoreline ecosystems by 2012

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
2.2.1	Work with shellfish growers and tideland owners on establishing native Olympia Oyster beds in Hood Canal and Strait of Juan de Fuca	Feb-09	thru 2010	Doug Sellon	NRCS, Col-Pac RC&D, MRCs, Tribes, Landowners	

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GOAL 3: Facilitate renewable energy opportunities and help the Olympic Peninsula become a

OBJECTIVE 3.1: Collaborate on three projects to develop and promote renewable energy sources on the Olympic Peninsula by 2012.

No projects currently					
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OBJECTIVE 3.2 Assist local governments to develop and implement sustainable solutions to the challenge of climate change and partner on two Area projects by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
3.2.1	Assist JAC in accomplishing their Climate Action Plan and finding funding for a RCM position for Jefferson County and Clallam County	Dec-09	Dec-10	Larry Crockett	Jefferson Climate Action Campaign	
3.2.2	Work with local climate action groups to build organizational capacity, provide technical assistance and grant seeking to help them accomplish their missions.	May-08	on-going	Coordinator	Sustainable Peninsula, Local 2020, LWW	

GOAL 4: Protect and improve the Area's water quality.

OBJECTIVE 4.1: Collaborate on four projects to reduce inputs of non-point sources of pollution to Area surface water and groundwater by 2012.

No projects currently					
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GOAL 5: Promote conservation and sound management of Area's surface water and groundwater.

OBJECTIVE 5.1: Promote conservation of the North Olympic Peninsula's surface waters with four projects by 2010.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
5.1.1	Complete NASA Solutions Network Project (#0018, #0044, #0045)	Jun-05	Sep-10	Mike Doherty Will Purser Patti Morris	Elwha Nearshore Consortium and other local agencies, tribes and organizations	
5.1.2	NASA Education and Public Outreach Project (#0034)	Feb-08	Sep-10	Mike Doherty Will Purser Patti Morris	Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Peninsula College and Olympic Park Institute	
5.1.3	Environmental Film showings: Sponsor showing of Sea Change, showing of Shelly Solomon films in Port Angeles	Dec-09	Mar-10	Susan Chadd	Shelly Solomon, ECONet local business	

OBJECTIVE 5.2: Promote the protection and conservation of the North Olympic Peninsula's groundwater supplies with two projects by 2012.

No projects currently					
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GOAL 6: Develop a diverse and sustainable local economy.

OBJECTIVE 6.1: Collaborate on two projects that provide services to the underserved, address community needs and generate resource-based rural economic development in the RC&D Area by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
6.1.1	Assist local groups and organizations to establish resource-based economic development opportunities in the area through grant funding searches and technical assistance.	on-going		All Council	Multiple Partners	
6.1.2	Plan and conduct a grant writing workshop	Spring 2010	Fall 2010	Patti Morris	PDD	
6.1.3	Facilitate development of Buy Local Network and submit grant in partnership with Conservation District	Aug-09	Dec-10	Linda Rotmark	Conservation District, EDC, local businesses	

OBJECTIVE 6.2: Support six projects that strengthen the local agricultural economy by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
6.2.1	Assist Nash's Organic Produce in development of grain milling facility	Dec-09	Spring 2011	Jim McEntire	Nashs Organic Produce	
6.2.2	Utilize remainder of funding from Phillips Grant Foundation to provide follow-up to Farm to cafeteria projects in Clallam County (#0047)	Aug-09	Mar-10	Curtis Beus	School District, Parent volunteers	
6.2.3	Comercial Kitchen Inventory Project- guidance to OlyCAP on conducting inventory	Jan-10	Jun-10	Katherine Baril Linda Rotmark	OlyCAP, Clallam EDC, WSU Extension	

OBJECTIVE 6.3: Reduce the fire hazard in rural areas of the two counties with two projects by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
6.3.1	Complete public outreach for Clallam Community Wildfire Plan (#0024)	Dec-05	Mar-10	Mike Doherty	Peninsula College Center of Excellence; DNR	
6.3.2	Find funding for Jefferson Community Wildfire Plan (#0024)	Dec-05	thru 2010	Laurie Medicott	Peninsula College Center of Excellence; DNR	

OBJECTIVE 6.4: Partner on three projects that encourage green building practices, recycling and re-use in the Area by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
6.4.1	Assist Solid Waste Reduction Committee in accomplishing project goals	Jan-09	on-going	Coordinator	Solid Waste Reduction Committee	

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GOAL 7: Reduce soil erosion and control invasive species in the RC&D Area.

OBJECTIVE 7.1: Support one project to reduce agricultural, forestry and construction-site erosion and sedimentation by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
7.1	See project 1.2.1					

OBJECTIVE 7.2: Collaborate on two regional projects to minimize invasions of noxious, non-native, exotic and/or hazardous plant or animal species by 2012.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
7.2	Develop opportunities for NRCS collaboration with knotweed management group.	Jan-10	Dec-10	Coordinator	Noxious Weed Board	

GOAL 8: Build capacity of NOP RC&D Council

OBJECTIVE 8.1: Increase public awareness of NOP RC&D programs.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
8.1.1	Conduct outreach opportunities to promote RC&D activities and accomplishments to community groups	on-going		All Council		
8.1.2	Continue to develop promotional materials to inform community about RC&D activities and accomplishments	on-going		All Council		
8.1.3	Complete NOP RC&D website	Apr-09	Feb-10	Mike Doherty		

OBJECTIVE 8.2: Build and strengthen Council Operations.

	Strategies	Start Date	End Date	Staff/ Council Leadership	Partners	Notes
8.2.1	Recruit new members based on Council needs	Jan-08	on-going	All Council		
8.2.2	Provide orientation and materials to new Council members	Jan-10	Feb-10	Coordinator		
8.2.3	Recruit 10 new Associate members in 2010	Jul-05	Dec-10	All Council		
8.2.4	Approve Whistleblower, Conflict of Interest, and Document Destruction policies	Jul-05	Dec-10	All Council		
8.2.5	Establish resource committees based on community needs	on-going		All Council		

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The North Olympic Peninsula RC&D Council hereby adopts this 2010 Annual Plan, adopted at an official meeting of the Council on December 3rd, 2009 and agrees to effectively use the assistance provided by the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service to realize its goals and objectives outlined herein.

North Olympic Peninsula RC&D Council:

By: Mike Doherty, President Date

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service:

By: Roylene Rides at the Door, State Conservationist Date

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