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Dungeness River Management Team

Field Trip
July 2, 2015

Forests, Farms, Fish & People Sharing a Home

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Ralph Riccio and Victoria Cantelow presenting on Olympia Oyster Restoration

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Sequim Bay Current Condition: Green!

- *Pseudo-nitzschia* (PN) bloom but no toxicity
 - Saw some toxicity at beginning of bloom in May
 - Shows value of monitoring
 - Taxonomy tricky
 - PN over a million cells/L since early June
 - Peaked at 3.6million cells/L June 16th



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Cooler full of Olympia Oysters headed to restoration site (where DRMT and MRC members placed them!!)

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Ralph giving an overview and what to look for at restoration site.





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Ralph and Victoria showing us different age classes of planted oysters.

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Oysters that had brood samples taken the day before were placed (by DRMT and MRC members!) back into the restoration site.





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Cathy and Michele placing oysters.



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Judy about to place oysters.



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Ralph showing Michele an example of an overwintered Olympia Oyster on Pacific Oyster shell.





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Mary Ellen and Cathy, enthusiastic oyster placers.

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And tied for BEST BOOTS!

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Ralph explaining research experiment: spawning pool to retain water at low tide in an attempt to increase spawning. 80 adult Olympia and blank cultch bags are contained in the raised pool.



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Grow-out bags that were placed in 2012 to assess how Olympias would survive in Sequim Bay. They are doing great!

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Spawning cultch bags have been placed around the adult broodstock, in attempt to increase successful spawning.



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Bill saving himself.



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Checking out the geoduck farm.



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Ann Soule leading us own Bell Creek Canyon, out of Gerdhardt Park.

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Ann describing City of Sequim's Bell Creek tour map.

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Bottom of Bell Creek Canyon.





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City of Sequim's reclaimed water system.

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Bell Creek at Carrie Blake Park.

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Dave Garlington and Pete Tjemsland describing some of the City's water projects.

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