



## City Council

### Storm and Surface Water Utility Briefing - Protecting Urban Salmon

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#### **Title**

Storm and Surface Water Utility Briefing - Protecting Urban Salmon

#### **Recommended Action**

##### **Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

##### **City Manager Recommendation:**

Receive a briefing from the Storm and Surface Water Utility regarding Utility programs with an emphasis on protecting urban salmon.

#### **Report**

##### **Issue:**

Whether to receive a briefing from the Storm and Surface Water Utility regarding Utility programs with an emphasis on protecting urban salmon.

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##### **Background and Analysis:**

The Storm and Surface Water Utility (the Utility) was created in 1986. Over the years, the Utility's focus has shifted from primarily reducing flooding to improving water quality, and protecting and enhancing aquatic habitat for our community and future generations.

Utility staff will provide City Council with an overview of the Utility's programmatic work efforts with an

emphasis on protecting urban salmon.

For more information on Olympia's Storm and Surface Water Utility, visit the Storm and Surface Water Plan and the Utility's online storymap (links listed in attachments).

**Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

All developed properties within Olympia city limits pay a Storm and Surface Water Utility bill. Much of the Utility's work is guided by community expectations.

**Options:**

1. Receive the briefing
2. Do not receive the briefing.
3. Receive the briefing at another time.

**Financial Impact:**

None at this time.

**Attachments:**

City of Olympia's Storm and Surface Water Plan  
Storm and Surface Water Utility Online Storymap