## FOREST & FISH GOALS



To provide compliance with the Endangered Species Act for aquatic and riparian-dependant species on non-Federal forestlands;

To restore and maintain riparian habitat on non-Federal forestlands to support a harvestable supply of fish;



To keep the timber industry economically viable in the state of Washington.



To meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act for water quality on non-Federal forestlands; and

Our Mission: To identify and address threats to listed salmon stocks in the **Nooksack River** Basin & to make salmon recovery into a reality rather than a vision.



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The TFW Department monitors Forest Practice Activities in the entire Nooksack River Basin. Forest Practices go way beyond merely logging and include the following:

**1.** Screen Forest Permit Applications to ensure that natural resources and public safety are protected.

**2.** Participate on InterDiciplinary (ID) Teams with other resource professionals to make on-the-ground timber and forest road resource management decisions on extremely sensitive sites.

**3.** Review Forest Road Maintenance & Abandonment Plans to see that fish passage barriers are correctly identified and repaired, culverts are sized properly, and that sediment laden water is not delivered to streams.

**4.** Assess stream-type changes proposed by landowners (that often reduce riparian protection for salmon) to determine fish presence or absence. Fish presence ensures riparian protection upstream as far as fish can penetrate the stream.

**5**. Review and provide Lummi Policy decisionmakers with technical information to aide in shaping public policy impacting natural resources.

**6**. Monitor cumulative impacts of Forest Practices to help determine if regulations are sufficient to restore salmon runs to sustainable and fishable populations.

## **RIPARIAN BUFFER WIDTHS**



Stream Zone Width (feet) Zone Width Stream Inner Zone Width Outer Zone Width  $\leq 10'$ Width > 10' Widt Site I 67' Site I 200' wide RMZ 100' 50' 200' wide RMZ Site II 63' Site II 170' wide RMZ 170' wide RMZ 78' 42 Site III 43' 47' 140' wide RMZ Site III 50 55' 140' wide RMZ Site IV 37 110' wide RMZ Site IV 50' 33' 110' wide RMZ Site V 90' wide RMZ Site V 90' wide RMZ

Np (Perennial) Stream Buffer Requirements for Large Landowners		
Stream Length Upstream of Fish-Bearing Waters	Minimum Buffer Requirements	Additional Buffers
otal Np stream length less than 300'	50' two sided buffer along entire section	
Total Np stream length > than 300' but < than 1000'	300' or 50% of harvest length, whichever is greater	All sensitive sites
Total Np stream length>than 1000'	50' two sided buffer along 500' section above fish waters	Plus the following
	1001' to 1300'	19% of remainder
	1301' to 1600'	27% of remainder
	1601' to 2000'	33% of remainder
	2001' to 2500'	38% of remainder
	2501' to 3500'	42% of remainder
	3501' to 5000'	44% of remainder
	5000' or greater	45% of remainder



## RMAP's

Road Maintenance & Abandonment Plans

✤ By December 31, 2005, landowners were required to inventory all forest roads, culverts, fish passage barriers, and unstable fill for all roads used for forestry after 1974.

☆ All work is to be completed on a "worstfirst" scenario in an even-flow schedule by 2016.

\* As this process moves from planning into the implementation phase, monitoring will be essential to ensure success.