



As a collaborative network, we work toward a healthy and resilient ecosystem that sustains all life and human wellbeing on the North Olympic Peninsula and along the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

September 2023 Quarterly Meeting NOTES & RESOURCES

Friday, Sept 29, 2023 - 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM

[Dungeness River Nature Center](#) & [Zoom](#)

All meeting materials, including agenda and documents can be found here:

[Meetings — Strait Ecosystem Recovery Network](#)

| Agenda Item | Discussions/Conclusions | Next Steps/Resources |
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| Welcome & introductions around the room and zoom | <i>Commissioner Heidi Eisenhour, Strait ERN Co-Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting - both in the room and on zoom</i> | <i>Commissioner Heidi Eisenhour, Strait ERN Co-Chair</i> |
| Presentation & discussion on The Sound Choices Checklist - <i>Rebecca Brown, Habitat Strategic Initiative Planner—Land Development and Cover, Department of Natural Resources</i> | Presented on a new tool that aligns the Puget Sound recovery strategies and actions with the comprehensive plan elements, and highlights best practices to support local planners in their comprehensive plan updates. | The Sound Choices Checklist PDF Presentation by Rebecca Brown |
| <i>Getting Around: 2 wheels enmeshed in a choice-based transportation system, Cathy Lear, Habitat Biologist, Clallam County</i> | Presentation on learnings from a recent study abroad in the Netherlands | <i>Check out the book that inspired the research - Curbing Traffic, by and contact Cathy Lear for more info!</i> |
| Roundtable Updates | Opportunity for Strait ERN members to share about current work, project updates, collaborative requests, and support/resources needed | <i>See Strait ERN newsletter for updates and announcements</i> |
| Strait ERN Updates and Administration | Puget Sound Partnership Leadership Council Update, Russell Hepfer, Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Vice Chairman: Adopted the State of the Sound. Excited | State of the Sound Report |

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| | <p>about the Olympic Peninsula representation on the Leadership Council.</p> <p>TOSCA - Toxic Substance Control Act discussion.</p> <p>Ecosystem Recovery Board nominations: Nominations will happen soon, stay tuned! Please reach out to Kara if you are interested in being an ERB Rep.</p> | <p>Ecosystem Recovery Board</p> |
| <p>Current and Upcoming Funding Opportunities discussion</p> | | <p>See for current funding opportunities Funding Opportunities (straitern.org)</p> |
| <p>Brainstorming around new LIO contract</p> | <p>Discussed potential ideas for how to spend extra funding from LIO contract, potentially do a round of mini-grants in 2024</p> | |

Proposed future meeting dates:

- **Friday, December 8, 2023**
- **Friday, February 9, 2024**

This meeting will be recorded only for the purpose of drafting Notes and Next Steps.
Times/speakers subject to change depending on schedule & availability.