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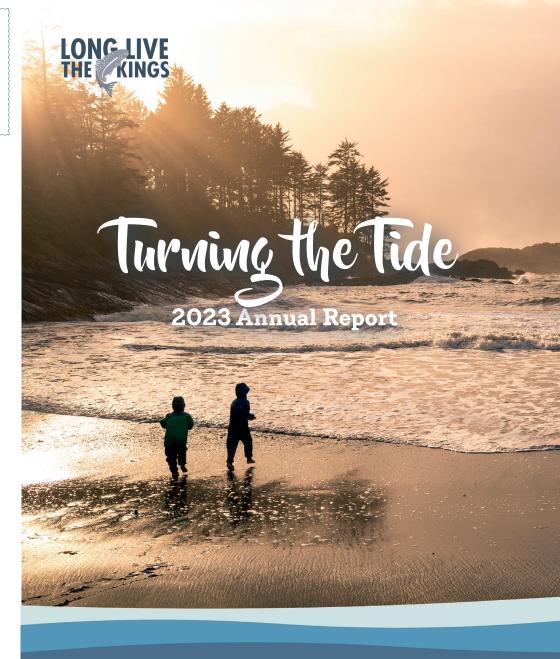
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A Message from Our Director

From raging wildfires and droughts to runs of salmon dying in what were once cool river waters, we are faced every day with the accelerating impacts of rising global temperatures.

Despite what may seem like doom and gloom, our team's dedication to finding and implementing solutions (both big and small) has never been stronger.

Whether it's a large infrastructure project, an effort to rebuild a specific salmon population, or research into pollutants in our stormwater, our team is committed to finding and implementing solutions alongside our partners while engaging with the community to make lasting, positive change.

We know that we cannot do it alone. It really will take all of us working together to make meaningful progress for fish and those that care about them in the face of global climate change. Take a few minutes to look at the innovative projects we are tackling.

I hope you will join us in making a difference for the salmon, the Salish Sea, and in turn each other.



Jacques White, LLTK Executive Director



Across Puget Sound, we're working with partners to build innovative ways for people and salmon to thrive together.

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Cooling the Ship Canal

Each summer salmon battle worsening conditions on their journey through Seattle. Because of lethally hot temperatures in the Lake Washington Ship Canal, only a fraction of salmon reach their spawning grounds in the Cedar and Sammamish Rivers.

In partnership with WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council, we're exploring solutions to cool the water. This year we published the Phase 1 report; the team is now completing a feasibility analysis, pursuing water temperature modeling, developing strategies to implement solutions, and supporting ongoing work.



Cleaning Stormwater

To protect salmon habitat in a sensitive restoration area along WA Highway 7, LLTK is partnering with the Nisqually Indian Tribe and others to test a compost-based biofiltration system.

The system collects and cleans stormwater before it reaches Ohop Creek. In 2020, researchers determined that the chemical 6PPD-quinone is a big threat to coho survival. Between 20%-90% of coho die within hours of exposure to contaminated stormwater. This year, the team's initial data collection found promising results that the biofiltration system removed nearly 90% of contaminants from the water.

2025 Strategic Plan Update

In 2020, Long Live the Kings developed a strategic plan, including key projects and salmon recovery actions to lower salmon mortality in the Salish Sea, increase chinook diversity, remove barriers to migration, and inspire action through salmon education. Our teams are working diligently to tackle the complex challenges defined in our strategic plan and we want to share where we are in meeting those goals.



Chart Our Progress: www.2023ar.lltk.org

Boosting Herring Populations

LLTK is working with the Nisqually Indian Tribe, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, and additional partners to understand and recover declining Puget Sound herring.

In a series of experiments, we are testing whether a method adapted from traditional Indigenous techniques can be used to supplement spawning habitat and boost herring populations. More broadly, we are working to understand how habitat and predators are impacting herring spawning, and to improve herring management and recovery to benefit salmon.



Device

Ghiding Steelhead to Survival

Up to 50% of young steelhead migrating from Hood Canal to the Pacific Ocean don't survive past the floating bridge.

The fish swim near the surface, where the bridge pontoons create an obstruction, increasing fish densities and making the steelhead more vulnerable to predators. Along with our partners, we deployed a "fillet," or fish guidance device, to help steelhead find their way around the bridge. We'll construct another fillet and operate two more in 2024. With two years of testing, we hope to see a reduction in steelhead mortality.