15 years ago, the State of Washington and many tribal nations supported the establishment of new regional salmon recovery organizations to guide locally-driven salmon recovery.

Our success is a result of salmon recovery being implemented by local jurisdictions, conservation districts, tribal nations, regional fisheries enhancement groups, state and federal programs, and dozens of local non-profit organizations relying on the volunteer hours of thousands of Washington citizens across the state.

The benefits to all of Washington’s citizens are clear: cleaner water, less flooding, more productive farmland, improved bridges and roads, healthier forests and rivers and shorelines, more productive wildlife habitat, and improved opportunities for sustainable fishing and outdoor recreation.

This work enables us to honor our commitment to tribal treaty fishing rights.

Together, our efforts form a network for salmon recovery across our state, rebuilding and strengthening our fish, water, and land resources today to maintain what we love about the Pacific Northwest into the future.

TOGETHER, WE ARE BUILDING THE FUTURE WE WANT FOR OUR CHILDREN.
Salmon Connect Us

The Salmon Recovery Network is a coordinated and collaborative statewide network that empowers local communities to lead salmon recovery in their communities.

1. **Regional Salmon Recovery Organizations** led by county and tribal leaders, and advised by scientists, citizens, and state, federal, and tribal agency staff, develop and guide implementation of plans to recover and sustain salmon and the habitats upon which they depend.

2. **Lead Entities** work at the local watershed scale with technical and citizen committees to prioritize funding to high priority projects.

3. **Regional Salmon Recovery Organizations** that are also Lead Entities

The **Salmon Recovery Funding Board** distributes funds appropriated by Congress and matched by the state of Washington to project implementers across the state.

**Implementer** office location

**On-the-ground recovery projects** across Washington State, 2000–2014

**Washington’s Recreation and Conservation Office** and the **Governor’s Salmon Recovery Office** ensure fiscal responsibility and statewide coordination.

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Washington’s natural beauty and healthy ecosystems draw visitors and businesses, increasing economic prosperity across the state.

- **7,500 JOBS**: New or sustained jobs supported by salmon recovery funding 2000–2014
- **$763M**: Total economic activity from salmon recovery 2000–2014
- **16,374 JOBS**: Estimated jobs recreational and commercial fisheries support annually
- **$540M**: Personal annual income generated from recreational and commercial fisheries
- **80%**: of grant funding is spent in the county where the project is located (RICO, 2014)