Transforming an Industrial Past to a Conservation Future

Restoration and Stewardship

In order to restore
more natural tidal flows
and minimize pollution,
the Washington State
Department of Natural
Resources has removed
many remnant structures
from this site's industrial
past. Some structures
remain because of their
historic value or because
animals are using them for
important habitat.





Workers removed the old railroad trestle that crossed the mouth of Woodard Bay, as well as thousands of cubic yards of dirt and other fill material that connected the trestle to the shore. Now the tide moves freely in and out of the bay, and creosote from the trestle no longer leaches into the water.

RESTORATION BY THE NUMBERS

2,140
tons of creosote removed to reduce pollution

1,220
creosote-laden piling removed to reduce pollution

50
Purple Martin
nesting boxes installe
on pilings retained fo
seal haulouts

250
feet of bulkhead removed on Weyer Point to restore

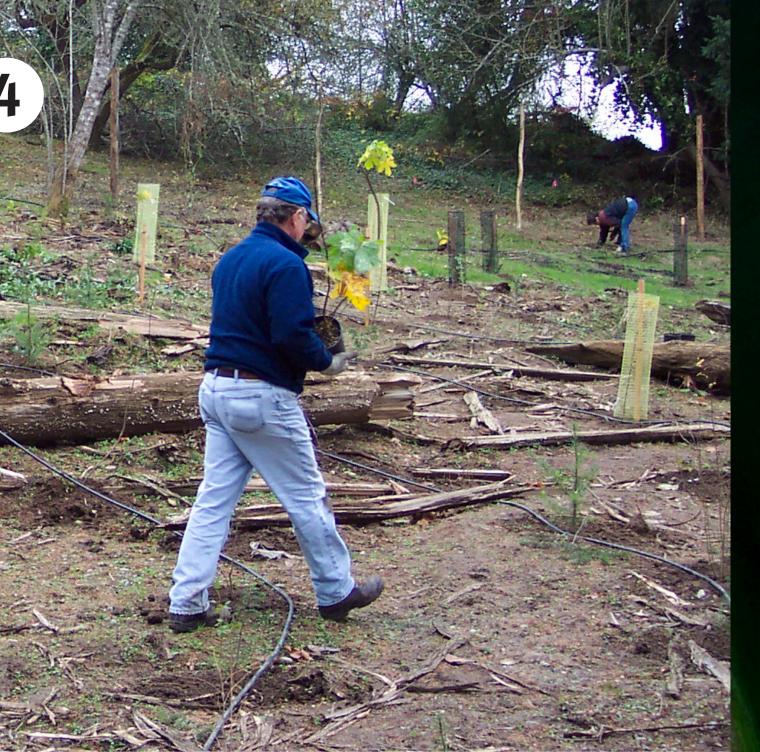
12,00 cubic yards of fill removed from Chapman and Woodard bays to restore tidal













Chapman Bay Pier

Half of the pier was removed to reduce overwater structures and creosote in the inlet. The remaining half was retained to provide roosting habitat for bats.

Purple Martin lest Boxes

nest boxes were stalled for Purple artins, the largest vallow in North herica. These boxes lp this rare bird establish in the ea.

Pilings and Harbor Seal Haulout

Ninety percent of the creosote-treated anchor pilings were removed from the inlet and bays. The remaining pilings and attached log booms were retained for seal haulout habitat.

Native Plan Restoratio

Invasive species control and native plant restoration continues along five miles of shoreline.

Woodard Bay Trestle and Fi

The earthen berm fill and creosote-treated trestle were removed from Woodard Bay, restoring sediment transport and water flow.

Creating a legacy for the future







Protecting habitat at Woodard Bay leaves a legacy for future generations of people, plants and wildlife.

