# The Anadromous Fish Floor Project Spatial Analysis Workshop

Data Sources and AFF Alternatives

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## AFF Spatial Analysis – Watersheds/Data Sources

#### Watersheds

Skagit/Sauk Rivers

Sol Duc/Calawah/Bogachiel Rivers

Wynoochee/Humptulips Rivers

Mill Creek/Skookum Creeks

Kalama River

Stillman Creek

#### **Data sets**

#### <u>Fish</u>

Skagit Last Fish Analysis

Squaxin Island

Water Type Modification Forms (WTMF)

Statewide Integrated Fish Distribution (SWIFD)

Forest Service Olympics fish study

#### **Barriers**

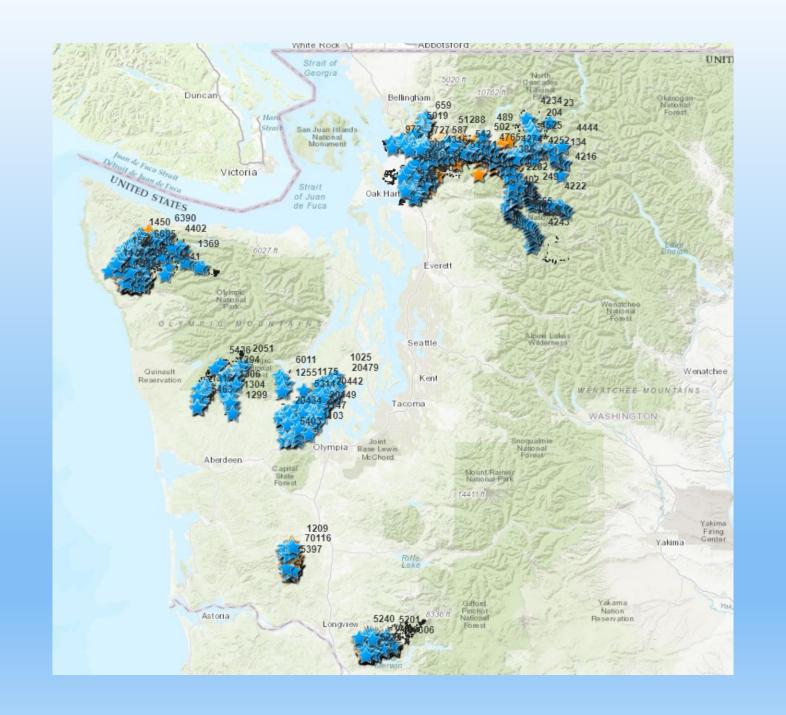
WDFW barrier dataset

Road Maintenance and Abandonment Plans

#### **Model output**

Stream reach gradients

Barriers (WDFW definition)



### **AFF Alternatives**

Alternative A	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Tribal proposal		Landowner proposal	
Gradient threshold +	Gradient threshold	SWIFD + Potential	Gradient
permanent natural	+ Potential Habitat	Habitat Breaks	threshold
barrier	Breaks		without barrier
Sustained 10% gradient or a permanent natural barrier, whichever comes first. These waters contain main stem stream segments and associated tributaries.	Sustained gradient of 5% [or 7% or 10%] or less, and include associated tributaries lacking a 5% gradient increase or permanent natural obstacle at the junction with the main stem.	Waters that are included in widely available GIS datasets of known and presumed anadromous use (such as SWIFD or StreamNet), and include associated tributaries lacking a 5% gradient increase or permanent natural obstacle at the junction with the main stem.	Waters extending to a sustained 5% or [7% or 10%] gradient. These waters contain main stem stream segments and associated tributaries.

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## Issues with compiled data and model

- F/N break points (WTMFs)
  - 1. Point being on the wrong location on the Webmap
  - Not all F/N points represent the results of a protocol survey identifying the upper extent of anadromy – random sampling
  - 3. Species information not readily available points are presumed resident
- Anadromy (SWIFD)
  - 1. SWIFD are not 'highest' anadromy points just location where anadromy observed or presumed
  - 2. Excluded 'gradient accessible' SWIFD data
- Barrier definition
  - 1. WDFW criteria for barrier more appropriate to larger streams than headwaters streams largely included in this datset.

### Model Issues

Model accuracy – No field calibration

- Look ahead distance
  - 1. Bankfull width not measured
- Gradient estimates and barrier identification
  - 1. Canopy interception of lidar points over small streams preventing good resolution
  - 2. No way for model to differentiate deformable and permanent barriers