



# Kelp Conservation and Recovery Plan

## Data Gaps and Actions

*Objective: Identify and coordinate actions to create a strategy in addressing critical data gaps for Puget Sound kelp conservation and recovery.*

**Location:** Padilla Bay Reserve, 10441 Bayview-Edison Rd, Mount Vernon

**Date/Time:** Thursday, February 28, 2019 10:00 am – 4:30 pm

*The meeting space will be open for check-in, coffee, and chatting starting at 9:30 am*

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| 10:00-10:40 | <b>Welcome and Introductions</b><br>Meeting goals and agenda review<br>Group introductions<br>Goal of Kelp Conservation and Recovery Plan | Dana Oster, NW Straits Commission<br>Dan Tonnes, NOAA  |
| 10:40-11:10 | <b>Review of Puget Sound Kelp Data Gaps</b><br>What is known and what isn't known:<br>reviewing high priority data gaps and needs         | Max Calloway, Puget Sound<br>Restoration Fund  |
| 11:10-11:20 | <b>Break</b>  |  |
| 11:20-12:05 | <b>Breakout Discussions – Data Gaps</b><br>In groups discuss actions, needs, and strategy around data gaps                                | Data gaps to be discussed:<br>1. Kelp physical stressors<br>2. Kelp biological stressors<br>3. Human impacts                           |
| 12:05-1:00  | <b>Lunch (provided)</b>   |  |
| 1:00-1:30   | <b>Group Reporting</b><br>Review breakout group discussions   |  |
| 1:30-2:15   | <b>Breakout Discussions – Data Gaps</b><br>In groups discuss actions, needs, and strategy around data gaps                                | Data gaps to be discussed:<br>4. Kelp distributions and trends<br>5. Kelp priority areas- protection and restoration<br>6. Restoration |
| 2:15-2:45   | <b>Group Reporting</b><br>Review breakout group discussions   |  |
| 2:45-3:10   | <b>Break</b><br>Facilitators and core team organize actions   |  |
| 3:10-4:15   | <b>Prioritize Actions</b><br>Identify key actions essential for next steps and building a strategy  |  |
| 4:15-4:30   | <b>Meeting wrap up/ Next steps</b>  |  |

