

Northwest Straits Initiative Conference November 15-16, 2024 Delta Hotel, Everett, Snohomish County

Day 1, Friday November 15, 2024

Time	Topic	Location
9:30 AM	Registration opens	Baker Pre-
		Function area
10:30 – 11:30 PM	Welcome and Opening Plenary	Baker Ballroom B
	Lucas Hart, Director, NW Straits Commission	
	Environmental Leadership Award	
	Tulalip Tribes Remarks: Invited	
11:30 – 12:45 PM	Network and Nourishment	Baker Ballroom B
	Grab lunch and talk with your fellow attendees. Consider	
	challenging yourself to talk with someone new.	
12:45 – 2:15 PM	Engaging with Local Government	Baker Ballroom B
	Moderator: Jamie Stephens, NW Straits Commission	
	Panelists:	
	Melanie Bacon, Island County Commissioner	
	Megan Dunn, Snohomish County Council Member	
	Heidi Eisenhour, Jefferson County Commissioner	
	Kaylee Galloway, Whatcom County Council Member	
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2:15 – 2:30 PM	Break	
2:30 – 4:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions	D 1 D 11 0
	Telling Your Story: Science Communications	Baker Ballroom C
	Moderator: Bellamy Pailthorp, KNKX	
	Panelists.	
	Justin Cox, SeaDoc Society	
	Curt Hart, WA State Department of Ecology Kari Neumeyer, NW Indian Fisheries Commission	
	Insights from Marine Nearshore Restoration	Baker Ballroom B
	Moderator: Jason Morgan, Northwest Straits Foundation	Daker Dailluulli D
	Panelists:	
	Neil Harrington, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe	
	Hilary Hayford, Puget Sound Restoration Fund	
	Julieta Martinelli, WA Department of Fish and Wildlife	
	Jason Toft, University of Washington	
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Social Hour	Hotel Restaurant
	Check into your rooms and enjoy a break	
5:00 – 5:45 PM	Dinner – buffet style	Baker Ballroom B
6:00 – 7:30 PM	The Practice of Evidence-Based Hope: Countering	Baker Ballroom B
	Climate Doomism and Eco-Anxiety to Amplify	
	Resilience of the Salish Sea	
	Join us to hear from our keynote guest Dr. Elin Kelsey.	



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Day 2, Saturday November 16, 2024

Time	Topic	Location
7:45 – 8:45 PM	Breakfast	Baker Ballroom B
	Light breakfast of coffee, pastries, and muffins will be	
	provided.	
8:45 – 9:00 AM	Welcome	Baker Ballroom B
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Collaborative Networking Activity	Baker Ballroom C
	This highly interactive session is designed to provide	
	opportunities for you to learn about projects in other areas,	
	identify collaboration opportunities, and network with peers	
	and potential partners.	
11:00 – 11:45 PM	Lunch	Baker Ballroom B
11:45 – 1:15 PM	Knowledge and Resources! Meet the Science Advisory	Baker Ballroom B
	Committee	
	Science Advisory Committee members:	
	Anne Beaudreau, University of Washington	
	Tom Mumford, Marine Agronomics LLC	
	Julia Parrish, University of Washington	
	Kathryn Sobocinski, Western Washington University	
	David Trimbach, WA Department of Fish and Wildlife	
	Ron Thom, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory - <i>retired</i>	
	Kathy Wolf, University of Washington - retired	
1:15 – 2:45 PM	Advancing Climate Resilience Through Community	Baker Ballroom B
	Engagement	
	Panelists:	
	Guillaume Mauger, WA State Climate Office	
	Melissa Poe, Washington Sea Grant	
	Mary Ann Rozance, Cascadia Consulting Group	
2:45 – 3:00 PM	Closing Remarks	Baker Ballroom B