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Lacamas Creek Partnership for clean water



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Welcomes and Introductions



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Coming Soon!



Presentation Objectives

1. Provide an overview of Ecology's Water Cleanup process.

2. Present plan for the Lacamas Creek Source Assessment and Monitoring.

Southwest Regional Office



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Spill Prevention

Spill Response



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Toxics Cleanup



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Inspector

Ben Cornell Response Team



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Water Quality



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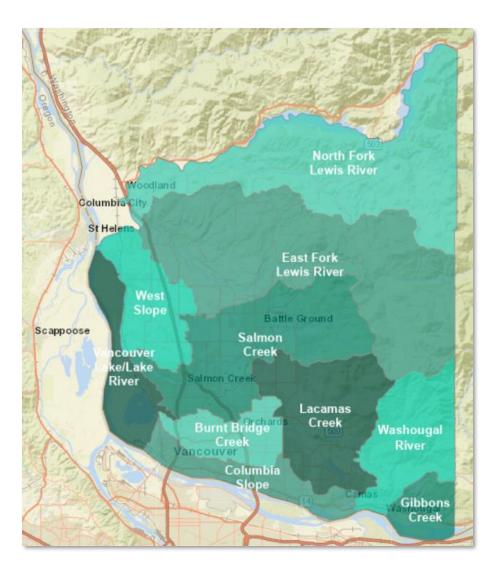
Permit Manager

Noosheen Pouva Municipal Stormwater **Permit Planner**

Overview of Clark County Watersheds



Clark County watersheds



USDA Census of Agriculture 2017

AGRICULTURE County Profile

Clark County Washington

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012 +3	
Number of farms	1,978		
Land in farms (acres)	90,737	+21	
Average size of farm (acres)	46	+18	



(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	42
Livestock, poultry, and products	58

USDA Census of Agriculture 2017

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	47,702	23	39	1,796	3,077
Livestock, poultry, and products	27,829	17	39	1,392	3,073
Poultry and eggs	6,615	10	39	602	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	20	39	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	13,887	12	29	383	1,892
Hogs and pigs	94	10	39	931	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	435	9	39	390	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	512	8	39	416	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	30	33	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	2,878

\$47.7M - Market Value for Agriculture

in Clark County, 2017

\$27.8M - Market Value of Livestock

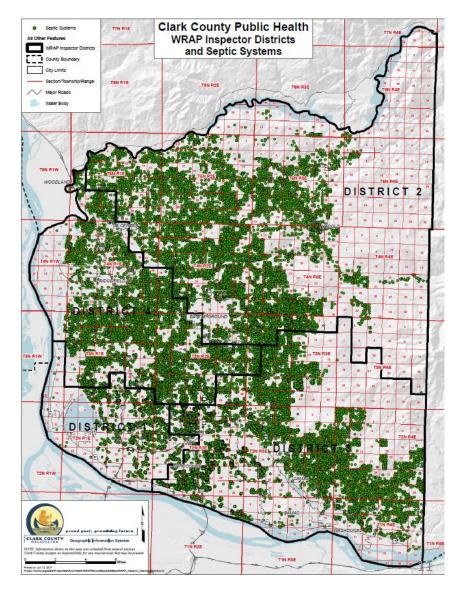
in Clark County, 2017

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

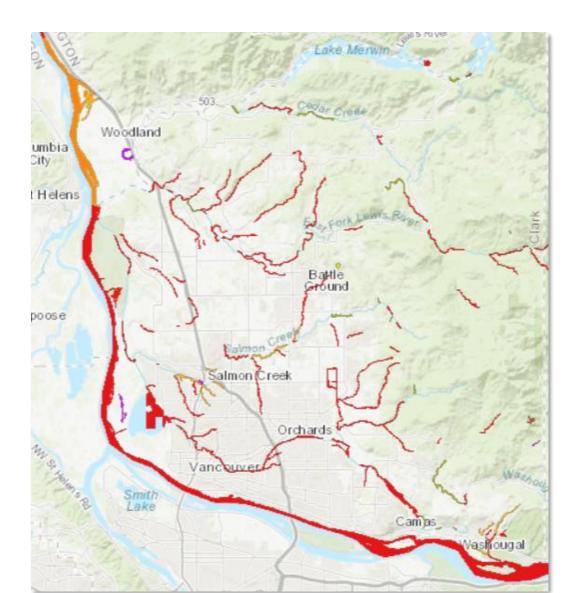
Broilers and other	
meat-type chickens	313,524
Cattle and calves	15,065
Goats	1,939
Hogs and pigs	412
Horses and ponies	2,687
Layers	11,470
Pullets	2,032
Sheep and lambs	2,016
Turkeys	314 ₁₀

Septic Systems

- 34,500 Septic Systems in County
- 30% or 10,350 noncompliant systems.
- Inspection = Every 3 years
- Maintenance = Every 5 years

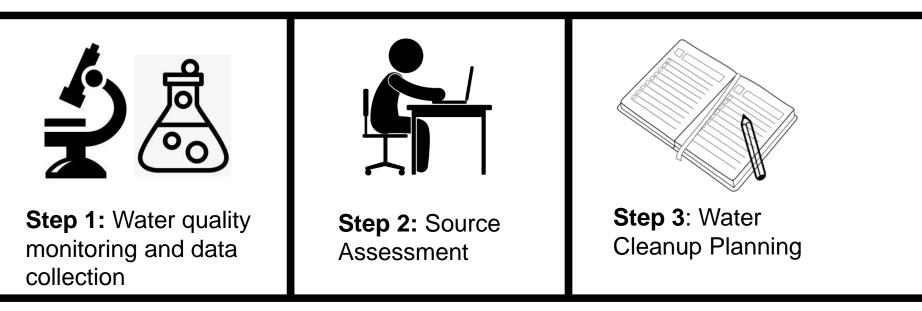


Clark County Polluted Waters



Ecology's Water Cleanup Process

Question: How much pollution needs to be reduced to meet water quality standards?



Step 4: Implementation – Septic systems, agriculture, restoration, stormwater.



Source Assessment vs. Water Cleanup Plan

Source Assessment

- Identify critical areas for water quality
- Estimate pollutant reductions needed
- Recommend bacteria reductions
- Identify priority planting areas

Water Cleanup Plan

- Implementation Plan
- Estimate financial and technical assistance needed
- Implementation timeline
- Criteria to measure progress
- Effectiveness monitoring



What is the Lacamas Partnership for clean water?

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Collaboration of local, state, and federal governments, nonprofits, watershed groups, and private landowners working together to develop and implement a Water Cleanup Plan for Lacamas Creek focused on implementation of best management practices (BMPs) to improve water quality in the watershed.

Milestones



Quality Assurance Project Plan

Lacamas Creek Bacteria, Temperature Dissolved Oxygen, and pH Source Assessment



Timeline for Lacamas Creek Partnership

June 2021 – Begin water quality monitoring and data collection.

October 2021 – Complete water quality monitoring.

August 2022 – Complete technical analysis of water quality data.



April 2023 – Complete Draft Source Assessment Report identifying critical areas for water quality improvement.



May 2023 – Water Cleanup Plan begins focused on implementation.

Achieve Clean Water

Meet Water Quality Standards

Support Beneficial Uses WARNIN

AVOID WATER CO

For People, Fish, & Wildlife



No swimming No wading N Keep animals out of

Residents & Visitors of Clark County



Agency Partners















Roles and Responsibilities

- Water Quality Data Collection Molly Gleason, Ecology
- Source Assessment Sheelagh McCarthy & Molly Gleason, Ecology
- Water Cleanup Plan Devan Rostorfer, Ecology
- Lake Management Plan City of Camas & Ecology's Freshwater Algae Control Program
- Swimming Advisories Clark County Public Health

Roles and Responsibilities

- Dairy Nutrient Management WSDA
- Agriculture Poop Smart Clark (Clark CD & NRCS)
- Septic Systems Clark County Public Health
- Stormwater Clark County, Camas, Vancouver

How do we get involved?

- Education and outreach Help your neighbor understand what they can do to protect clean water
- Support Donate or vote to support your local environmental programs!
- Septic systems Inspection, maintenance, repair
- **Agriculture** Manure management for livestock and horses
- **Restoration** Tree planting, wetland protection, backyard habitat
- Lawn care Be mindful about fertilizer application
- **Pet waste** Pick up your dog doo





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Poop Smart Clark

Pollution Identification and Correction









www.tinyurl.com/lacamaspartnership

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Return to Department of Ecology website | Report an environmental issue

If you see something, say something!

www.ecy.wa.gov/reportanissue

Southwest Regional Office

Counties: Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Mason, Lewis, Pacific, Pierce, Skamania, Thurston, and Wahkiakum

Online: <u>Statewide reporting form</u> Email: <u>swroerts@ecy.wa.gov</u> Phone: 360-407-6300



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Investment in watersheds = Investment in lakes



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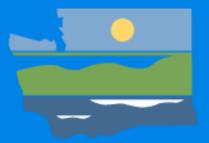
No swimming No wading No wind surfit Keep animals out of water

For information contact Clark County: Public Health at 397-8428 or Parks Dept. at 619-111

Thank you for your commitment to clean water!







Lacamas Creek Source Assessment *Molly Gleason, Water Quality Specialist, Washington State Department of Ecology*

