

## ELEMENTS >

## PRIORITIES >

## PROJECTS

### Land

#### NATIVE FOREST

Low elevation forest, with a preference for large blocks of mature forest with high habitat complexity.

#### SPECIES

Habitat that supports important wildlife and plant species.

#### LANDSCAPE

Lands that provide linkages between protected areas, including working farms and forestlands.

### Saltwater

#### SHORELINES

Estuaries, tidelands, and natural bluffs and beaches that support habitats and increase coastal resiliency.

#### MARINE LIFE

Nearshore habitat, eelgrass meadows and salt marshes for priority species, including forage fish, juvenile salmon, shellfish and waterfowl.

### Freshwater

#### WATERSHEDS

Headwater basins and streams that protect water quality and areas that provide for groundwater recharge.

#### WETLANDS & LAKES

High quality and rare wetlands and unmodified lake shoreline.

#### RIVERS, STREAMS & FLOODPLAINS

Lands important to river processes. These areas provide quality streamside and instream habitat for fish and wildlife, and also reduce the impact of flooding on our community.

### Nature for People

#### BELOVED PLACES

Lands that provide a sense of place in Skagit County and preserve our scenic views and natural heritage.

#### ACCESS

Linkages to connect people with the natural environment including parks, trails and wildlife viewing areas.

#### CLOSE TO HOME

Lands within and near Skagit towns and cities that provide greenspace for our community.

**90+**  
PROJECTS  
COMPLETED

PROTECTING  
MORE THAN  
**6,600**  
ACRES &  
**30**  
MILES OF  
SHORELINE

IT'S ALL  
CONNECTED



### SAMISH ISLAND Conservation Easements

Shorelines  
Species

Rocky bluffs, beaches and forest are conserved forever in partnership with private landowners through conservation easements held by Skagit Land Trust. These protect the only remaining stand of Garry Oak in the county, a large heron nesting site and marine nearshore habitat.



### NICHOL'S BAR County Park

Access  
Rivers & Floodplains

This Skagit River park provides habitat for salmon, fishing access and wildlife viewing. Elk, deer, songbirds and beaver enjoy the peaceful forest next to the river. Skagit Land Trust worked with numerous partners to protect this special place as a county park.



### ANACORTES Community Forest Lands

Native Forest  
Beloved Places

The permanent protection of the largest urban forest in Washington is the result of strong community partnership. Skagit Land Trust holds the conservation easement on this property.



### BARNEY LAKE Conservation Area

Wetlands & Lakes  
Close to Home

These expansive wetlands and farmlands are important for ducks, Trumpeter Swans and other waterfowl along the Pacific Flyway. Skagit Land Trust manages this property for wildlife and future public access along the Centennial Trail.



## PROJECT EXAMPLES

## PROTECTING & STEWARDING RESILIENT ECOSYSTEMS for WILDLIFE, PLANTS & PEOPLE

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Skagit Land Trust protects land by purchasing and accepting donation of land and conservation easements, and by assisting partners and agencies with land conservation projects. Our expertise and reputation for partnership building, creative solutions and efficient, nimble land protection uniquely positions Skagit Land Trust at a critical time in Skagit County's history.

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