

WILDLIFE HABITAT ASSESSMENT

for the

Austin Parker 308th Ave. S.E. Fall City, Washington 98024

Tax Parcel Number: 092407-9063 Section 9, Township 24 N, Range 7 E

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Project Description

The applicant proposes to construct a single-family residence, driveway, and septic system. The Critical Areas Designation (CAD) will be submitted to King County DPER along with this wildlife assessment. It is anticipated that a Critical Areas Alteration Exception (CAAE) will be required for this property because the site is entirely critical area and critical area buffer.

Site Address, Identification, and Directions

The tax parcel number is 092407-9063. A site address has not been assigned as of the date of this report. The subject study area is located in Section 9, Township 24 North, Range 7 East, of the Willamette Meridian.

Directions from King County DPER are as follows: Head southeast on S.E. Douglas St.; Turn left towards S.E. Center St.; Turn left onto S.E. Center St.; Turn right onto Snoqualmie Parkway; Turn left onto Railroad Ave.; At the traffic circle, take the 3rd exit onto WA-202 W./Railroad Ave.; Exit the traffic circle onto WA-202 W./Railroad Ave.; At the traffic circle, take the 2nd exit onto WA-202/Redmond-Fall City Rd. S.E.; Turn left onto 308th Ave. S.E.; Proceed to the property immediately south of 3816 308th Ave. S.E.

General Site Description

The property is undeveloped forestland with a drainage pattern and stream crossing the property. The slopes are 0-20%. There is an existing undeveloped driveway entrance near the northwest property corner. The parcel is in a community of rural residential and forested properties.

King County Wildlife Habitat Development Standards

The King County Comprehensive Code and CAO provide specific protection for a number of animal species. King County provides protection for active breeding sites for federal and state listed endangered, threatened sensitive and candidate species. Adopted WDFW species management recommendations are to be followed (Rodrick & Milner, 1991).

Federally and/or State Listed Species

Gray Wolf (Canus lupus)

The Gray Wolf (*Canus lupus*), an endangered species, is identified on the attached WDFW PHS online report.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: None

Coho (Oncorhynchus kisutch)

The above listed species are present in Patterson Creek. The onsite tributary is accessible to fish from Patterson Creek.

WDFW Management recommendations: Same as for Riparian habitat.

Federally and/or State Listed Priority Habitats

Riparian Habitat Area

A tributary of Patterson Creek flows along the south property beginning at a culvert under 308th Ave. S.E. The stream crosses the south quarter of the property. The onsite stream has a narrow incised channel with flow depths of a few inches. Flows are seasonal. The stream is a Type F with a 165-foot buffer. WDFW defines 'Riparian Areas' as: "The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other" (Knutson & Nael, 1997). "Riparian habitat encompasses the area beginning at the ordinary highwater mark and extends to that portion of the terrestrial landscape that is influenced by, or that directly influences, the aquatic ecosystem. Riparian habitat includes the entire extent of the floodplain and riparian areas of wetlands that are directly connected to stream courses (Knutson & Nael, 1997)." The criteria which qualify this habitat as being of high quality and worthy of special protection are outlined by the WDFW as: "High fish and wildlife density, high fish and wildlife species diversity, important fish and wildlife breeding habitat, important wildlife seasonal ranges, important fish and wildlife movement corridors, high vulnerability to habitat alteration, unique or dependent species (Knutson & Nael, 1997)." Management recommendation are provided throughout this report from WDFW (Rodrick & Milner. 1991).

Management recommendations: Riparian areas are to be protected according to an approved critical area alterations exception from King County DPER. Requirements should include use of best management construction practices, and seasonal limitation on excavation, grading, backfill, and utility installation.

Wetlands

A critical area study for wetlands and streams was prepared by *J. S. Jones and Associates, Inc.* "Critical Area Study", November 21, 2021. There is a forested wetland adjacent to a portion of the stream channel, see the critical area study. The wetland rates Category III wetland with a habitat score of 7 points. The King County wetland buffer requirement for a Category III wetland, with a habitat score of 7 points, is 110 feet. Encompass Engineering and Land Surveying has located critical area flagging and prepared a critical area map.

Management recommendations: Same as for Riparian Habitat Areas.

Priority Species with Primary Habitat Associations Identified on the PHS Online Report

The WDFW online Priority Habitats and Species (PHS) report identifies Gray Wolf (*Canus lupus*) a federally and state listed endangered species and Coho (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) a federal candidate species (see attached Priority Habitats and Species Report). There are a number of

other salmonid species in Patterson Creek, but of those only Coho are priority species. Management recommendations for the Gray Wolf and Coho are provided in the Federally and/or State Listed Species section of this report.

Species with Specific Protection Provided in the King County CAO Development Standards

Bald Eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus)

No bald eagle stick nests were observed on or within 600 feet of the site.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: Retain all trees over 21" DBH on site, and all trees over 40 feet in height.

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards B. For a bald eagle:

1. The wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a four-hundred-foot radius from an active nest;

2. Between March 15 and April 30, alterations are not allowed within eight hundred feet of the nest; and

2. Between January 1 and August 31, land clearing machinery, such as bulldozers, graders, or other heavy equipment, may not be operated within eight hundred feet of the nest;

Great Blue Heron (Ardea herodius)

No heron rookeries were observed or known to be present on or near the site.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: None

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards C. For a great blue heron:

1. The wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with an eight-hundred-twenty-foot radius from the rookery. The department may increase the radius up to an additional one-hundred sixty-four feet if the department determines that the population of the rookery is declining; and

2. Between January 1 and July 31, clearing or grading are not allowed within nine-hundred-twenty-four feet of the rookery;

Marbled Murrelet (Brachyramphus marmoratus)

The site is not suitable habitat for marbled murrelet. The site is more than three miles from Puget Sound. Old growth forest is absent.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: None

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards

D. For a marbled murrelet, the wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a one-halfmile radius around an active nest;

Northern Goshawk (Accipiter gentilis)

No northern goshawk birds or nests were observed or known to be present on or near the site.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: None

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards E. For a northern goshawk, the wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a onethousand-five-hundred-foot radius around an active nest located outside of the urban growth area;

Osprey (Pandion haliaetus)

No osprey nests were observed on or near the site.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: None

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards F. For an osprey:

1. The wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a two-hundred-thirty-foot radius around an active nest; and

2. Between April 1 and September 30, alterations are not allowed within six-hundred-sixty feet of the nest;

Peregrine Falcon (Falco peregrinus)

No peregrine falcon nests were observed or known to be present on or near the site.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: None.

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards

G. For a peregrine falcon:

1. The wildlife habitat conservation area is an area extending for a distance of onethousand feet of an eyrie on a cliff face, the area immediately above the eyrie on the rim of the cliff, and the area immediately below the cliff;

2. Between March 1 and June 30, land-clearing activities that result in loud noises, such as from blasting, chainsaws or heavy machinery, are not allowed within one-half mile of the eyrie; and

3. New power lines may not be constructed within one-thousand feet of the eyrie;

Northern Spotted Owl (Strix occidentalis)

The Northern spotted owl is a resident of mature coniferous forests of the Puget Sound Lowlands.

WDFW Management recommendations: Retain mature forests. Retain snags over 20" dbh.

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards

H. For a spotted owl, the wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a three-thousand-seven-hundred-foot radius from an active nest;

Western Townsend's big-eared bat (Plecotus/Corynorhinus townsendii)

Bat observations and identification was not performed. Bats are certainly present, however the presence or absence of the Western Townsend's big-eared bat was not confirmed.

WDFW Management Recommendations are as follows: Retain all snags and trees with greater than 21" DBH. Refrain from all pesticide and herbicide use on and near the site. These recommendations are adapted from WDFW management recommendations for Townsend's big-eared bats, August 2005.

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards

I. For a Townsend's big-eared bat:

1. Between June 1 and October 1, the wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a four-hundred-fifty-foot radius from the entrance to a cave or mine, located outside of the urban area, with an active nursery colony

2. Between November 1 and March 31, the wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a four-hundred-fifty-foot radius around the entrance to a cave or mine located outside the urban growth area serving as a winter hibernacula;

3. Between March 1 and November 30, a building, bridge, tunnel, or other structure used solely for day or night roosting may not be altered or destroyed;

4. Between May 1 and September 15, the entrance into a cave or mine that is protected because of bat presence is protected from human entry; and

5. A gate across the entrance to a cave or mine that is protected because of bat presence must be designed to allow bats to enter and exit the cave or mine;

Vaux's Swift (Chaetura vauxi)

No Vaux's swifts were observed or known to be present on or near the site.

Management Recommendations are as follows: Retain all large trees and snags over 21" DBH. Refrain from use of all pesticides on the property as Vaux's swifts consume prey items which are affected by pesticides. WDFW recommendations are not available for this species. Management recommendations and best available science compiled by King County and The

Nature Conservancy (Paige, 2000).

King County Code, 21A.24.382 Wildlife habitat conservation areas - development standards J. For a Vaux's swift:

1. The wildlife habitat conservation area is an area with a three-hundred-foot radius around an active nest located outside of the urban growth areas;

2. Between April 1 and October 31, clearing, grading, or outdoor construction is not allowed within four hundred feet of an active or potential nest tree. The applicant may use a species survey to demonstrate that the potential nest tree does not contain an active nest;

K. The department shall require protection of an active breeding site of any federal or state listed endangered, threatened, sensitive and candidate species or King County species of local importance not listed in subsections B. through J. of this section. If the Washington state Department of Fish and Wildlife has adopted management recommendations for a species covered by this subsection, the department shall follow those management recommendations. If management recommendations have not been adopted, the department shall base protection decisions on best available science. (Ord. 17485 § 23, 2012: Ord. 15051 § 198, 2004).

The "List of Species Protected in the King County Comprehensive Plan and CAO" is attached. The list is missing some species that are identified in the code with specific protection requirements. However, these additional species and the code requirements are provided in this document. The majority of species on the attached list are not present, because there is no suitable habitat, or the site is out of their range. Those species that may use the site and are protected in the King County Comprehensive Plan include the Western Toad, Pileated Woodpecker, Ruffed Grouse, Mink, Douglas Squirrel, Elk, and Townsend Chipmunk. The stream corridor and protected critical area and buffer may provide habitat for these species. Only the Pileated woodpecker, Mink and Elk have management recommendations provided by WDFW. For the Pileated woodpecker, the WDFW management recommendation is protection of significant snags. Mink and Elk are managed as game species.

Impacts on Habitat and Water Quality

Development of the site will result in a loss of upland habitat equal to the development area. The impact on habitat is the direct loss of native forest and the forest understory. Water quality impacts will be minimized and avoided to the greatest extent possible by providing seasonal limitations on grading and use of Best Management Construction Practices. The remaining undeveloped portion of the property will be retained as native forest and protected from future development.

Project Impacts and Mitigation

Impacts and mitigation will be identified in an Impact Analysis report. Buffer impacts will not exceed 10% of the site or 5,000 square feet, whichever is larger.

Mitigation

Mitigation will be off-site using the Snohomish County Mitigation Bank. The remaining buffer will be fenced and signed. A notice on title for the critical area buffer will be recorded at the King County Records Office.

Limitations

Environmental studies are not final until approved by regulatory agencies and/or local jurisdictions. *J. S. Jones and Associates, Inc.* does not guarantee acceptance or approval by regulatory agencies, or that any intended use will be achieved.

References

Knutson, K. L. and V. L. Naef. 1997. Riparian Habtitat. Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Olympia. 181 pp.

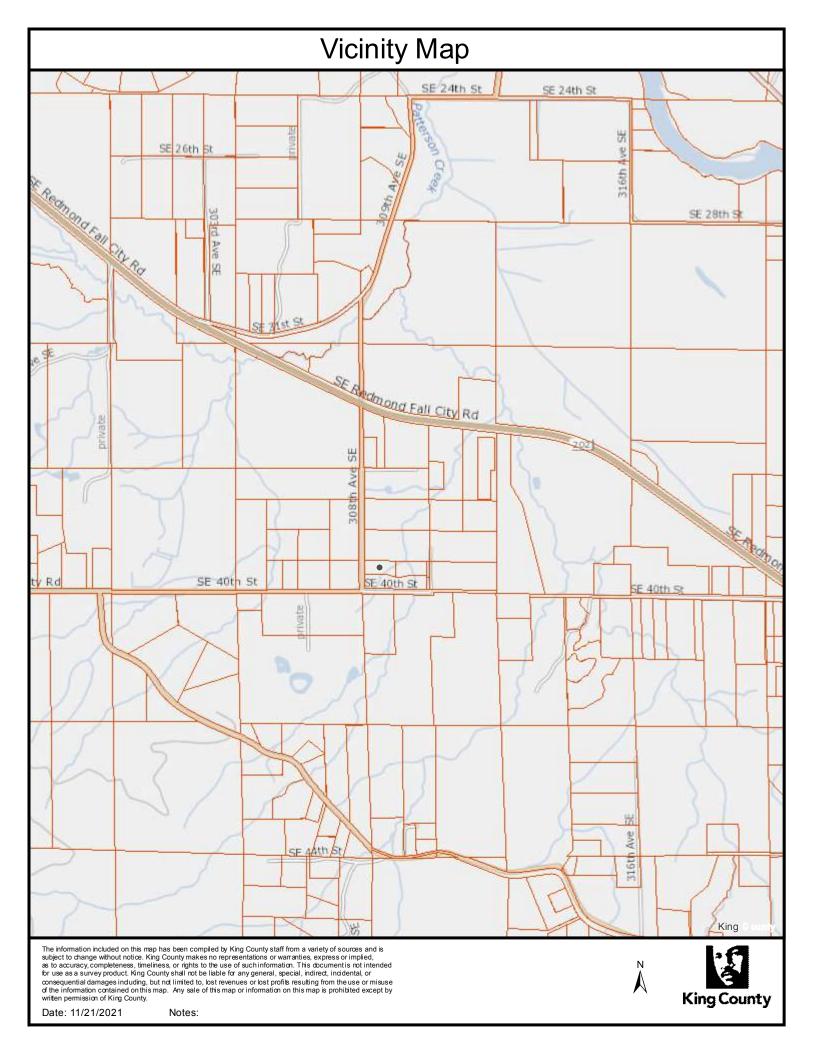
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Online References

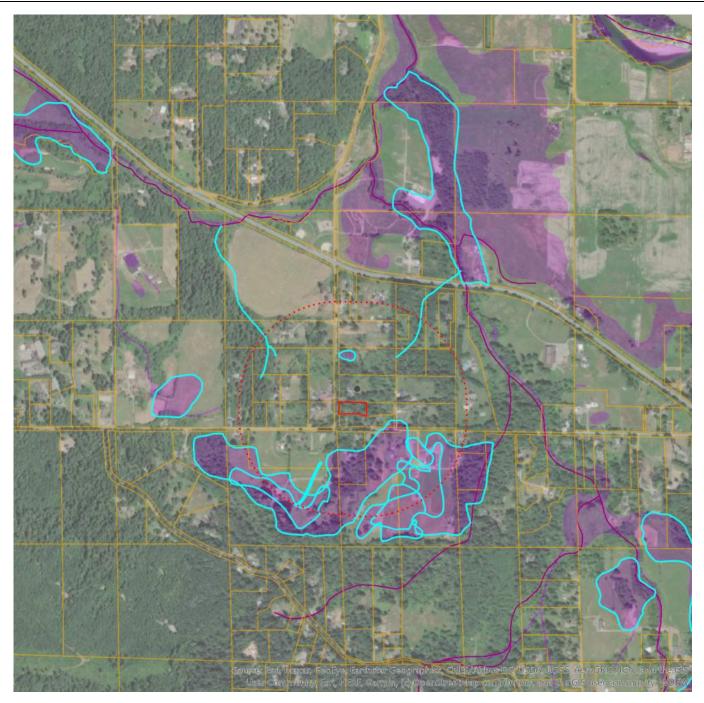
"List of Species Protected in the King County Comprehensive Plan and CAO" https://kingcounty.gov/services/environment/animals-and-plants/biodiversity/regulations.aspx

WDFW, Priority Habitats and Species Report. http://fortress.wa.gov/dfw/gispublic/prodphsontheweb/viewer.aspx Attachments





Priority Habitats and Species on the Web



Buffer radius: 1200 Feet Report Date: 11/23/2021

PHS Species/Habitats Overview:

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PHS Report

Occurence Name	Federal Status	State Status	Sensitive Location
Fall Chum	N/A	N/A	No
Pink Salmon Odd Year	N/A	N/A	No
Coho	N/A	N/A	No
Winter Steelhead	N/A	N/A	No
Dolly Varden/ Bull Trout	N/A	N/A	No
Fall Chinook	N/A	N/A	No
Coho	Candidate	N/A	No
Wetlands	N/A	N/A	No
Freshwater Emergent Wetland	N/A	N/A	No
Gray wolf	Endangered	Endangered	Yes

PHS Species/Habitats Details:

Fall Chum	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus keta
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219363475797, Fish Name: Chum Salmon, Run Time: Fall, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21594
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Pink Salmon Odd Year	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus gorbuscha
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219340475758, Fish Name: Pink Salmon, Run Time: Odd Year, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21499
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Pink Salmon Odd Year		
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus gorbuscha	
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration	
Accuracy	NA	
Notes	LLID: 1219363475797, Fish Name: Pink Salmon, Run Time: Odd Year, Life History: Anadromous	
Source Record	21597	
Source Dataset	SWIFD	
Federal Status	N/A	
State Status	N/A	
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence	
Sensitive	Ν	
SGCN	Ν	
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED	
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm	
Geometry Type	Lines	

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Fall Chum	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus keta
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219340475758, Fish Name: Chum Salmon, Run Time: Fall, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21496
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Coho	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus kisutch
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219246475782, Fish Name: Coho Salmon, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21078
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Winter Steelhead	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus mykiss
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219363475797, Fish Name: Steelhead Trout, Run Time: Winter, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21598
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Coho	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus kisutch
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219363475797, Fish Name: Coho Salmon, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21595
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

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Dolly Varden/ Bull Trout	
Scientific Name	Salvelinus malma/S. confluentus
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219246475782, Fish Name: Bull Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Unknown
Source Record	21080
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Coho	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus kisutch
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219340475758, Fish Name: Coho Salmon, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21497
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Oncorhynchus tshawytscha
Occurrence/Migration
NA
LLID: 1219363475797, Fish Name: Chinook Salmon, Run Time: Fall, Life History: Anadromous
21593
SWIFD
N/A
N/A
PHS Listed Occurrence
Ν
Ν
AS MAPPED
http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Lines

Winter Steelhead	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus mykiss
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219340475758, Fish Name: Steelhead Trout, Run Time: Winter, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21500
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Salvelinus malma/S. confluentus
Occurrence/Migration
NA
LLID: 1219363475797, Fish Name: Bull Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Unknown
21596
SWIFD
N/A
N/A
PHS Listed Occurrence
Ν
Ν
AS MAPPED
http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Lines

Fall Chinook	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219340475758, Fish Name: Chinook Salmon, Run Time: Fall, Life History: Anadromous
Source Record	21495
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Coho	
Scientific Name	Oncorhynchus kisutch
Priority Area	Occurrence
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219246475782, Stock Name: Snoqualmie Coho, Run: Unspecified, Status: Healthy
Source Record	3110
Source Dataset	SASI
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Fish Program
Federal Status	Candidate
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Dolly Varden/ Bull Trout	
Scientific Name	Salvelinus malma/S. confluentus
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1219340475758, Fish Name: Bull Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Unknown
Source Record	21498
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Wetlands	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	PATTERSON CREEK WETLANDS.
Accuracy	1/4 mile (Quarter Section)
Notes	MANY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS IN THIS DRAINAGE. A BEAVER COLONY INHABITS THE WETLAND LOCATED IN THE WEST HALF OF SECTION 11, T25N, R6E. THE MORE SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS IN THIS DRAINAGE CONSIST OF SHRUBY (WILLOW & SPIRAEA) COVER.
Source Record	902516
Source Dataset	PHSREGION
Source Name	MULLER, TED
Source Entity	WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1A
Source Dataset	NWIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1A
Source Dataset	NWIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
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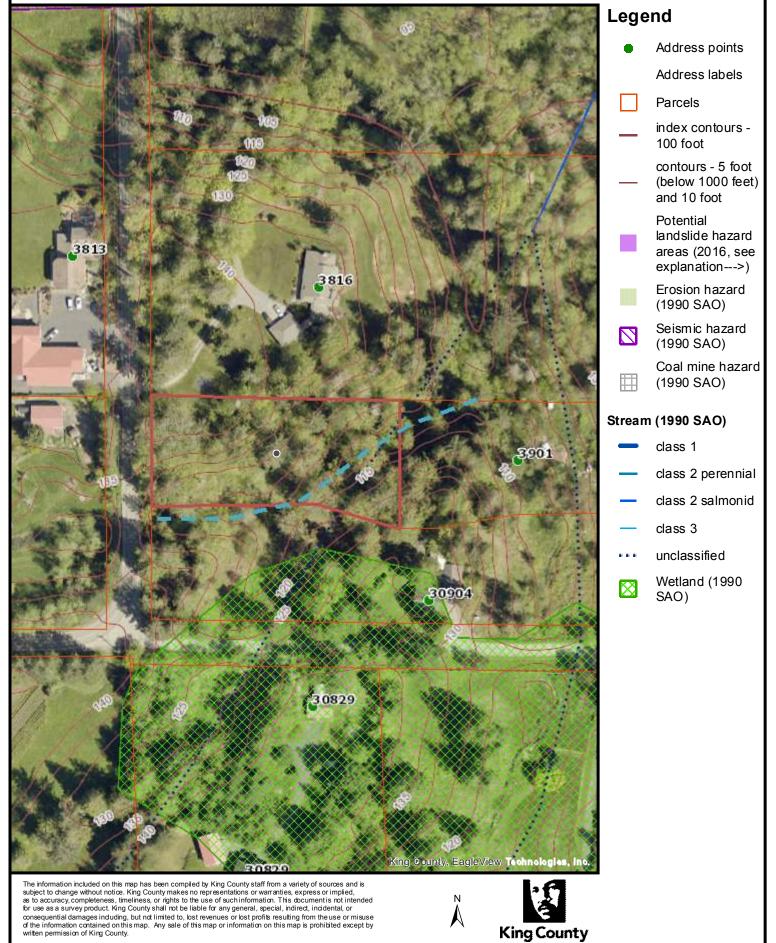
Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	Ν
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Ν
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Gray wolf	
Scientific Name	Canis lupus
Notes	This polygon mask represents one or more records of the above species or habitat occurrence. Contact PHS Data Release (360-902-2543) for obtaining information about masked sensitive species and habitats.
Federal Status	Endangered
State Status	Endangered
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Y
SGCN	Y
Display Resolution	TOWNSHIP

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King County iMap 2019 Aerial & Environmental Layer



King County

Date: 11/28/2021 Notes:

List of Species Protected in the King County Comprehensive Plan and CAO

This list is current as of June 1, 2009, and represents species protected in King County's Comprehensive Plan via the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO). Asterisks (*) indicate which species have specified development standards in the CAO. Federal and State status codes are defined at the bottom of the list. These are grouped by animal type and then alphabetized by common name.

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Animal Type	Federal STATUS	State STATUS	notes on presence in King County
Larch Mountain Salamander	Plethodon larselli	Amphibian	FCo	SS	in King County
Northern Red- legged frog	Rana aurora	Amphibian	none	none	
Oregon Spotted Frog	Rana pretiosa	Amphibian	FC	SE	historic presence; no current populations known
Van Dyke's Salamander	Plethodon vandykei	Amphibian	FCo	SC	Eastern King County near Snoqualmie Pass
Western Toad	Bufo boreas	Amphibian	FCo	SC	Present and breeding in King County
Beller's Ground Beetle	Agonum belleri	Beetle	FCo	SC	In WA, only known in King County
Bog Idol Leaf Beetle (formerly known as	Donacia idola	Beetle	none	SC	only known in Snohomish County in WA; is new PHS

Long-horned Leaf Beetle)					list wrong? Has it as only King county
Hatch's Click Beetle	Eanus hatchii	Beetle	FCo	SC	Endemic: only known in King County (historically also Snohomish County, but no longer)
American bittern	Botaurus lentiginosus	Bird	none	none	
American three-toed woodpecker	Picoides tridactylus	Bird	none	none	Rare in King County with only three BBA records near Cascade crest, including "confirmed" breeding pair at Pyramid Creek. Sparse occurrence does not support generous range on west side of crest mapped by Washington Gap report (Smith et al. 1997).
American White Pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	Bird	none	SE	Eastern WA; rare in K.C.; 5+ records
Bald Eagle*	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Bird	FCo	SS	nesting in King County
Band-tailed pigeon	Columba fasciata	Bird	none	none	

Barrow's Goldeneye	Bucephala islandica	Bird	none	none	
Belted kingfisher	Ceryle alcyon	Bird	none	none	
Black scoter	Melanitta nigra	Bird	none	none	
Black-Backed Woodpecker	Picoides arcticus	Bird	none	SC	confirmed breeding in eastern King County
Blue-winged teal	Anas discors	Bird	none	none	
Brandt's Cormorant	Phalacrocorax penicillatus	Bird	none	SC	winters in King County waters
Brant	Branta bernicla	Bird	none	none	
Brown Pelican	Pelecanus occidentalis	Bird	FE	SE	outer coast; rare in K.C.; 5+ records
Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia	Bird	FCo	SC	E WA; not in King County (fewer than 5 records)
Cassin's Finch	Carpodacus cassinii	Bird	none	none	IUCN list: Near threatened
Cassin's Auklet	Ptychoramphus aleuticus	Bird	FCo	SC	outer coast; not King County; fewer than 5 records in K.C.

Cinnamon teal	Anas cyanoptera	Bird	none	none	
Common Goldeneye	Bucephala clangula	Bird	none	none	
Common Loon	Gavia immer	Bird	none	SS	breeding in King County
Common Murre	Uria aalge	Bird	none	SC	winters in King County waters
Flammulated Owl	Otus flammeolus	Bird	none	SC	E WA; not in King County; fewer than 5 records in K.C.
Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	Bird	none	SC	confirmed breeding in eastern King County
Hairy Woodpecker	Picoides villosus	Bird	none	none	
Harlequin duck	Histrionicus histrionicus	Bird	none	none	
Hooded merganser	Lophodytes cucullatus	Bird	none	none	
Lewis' Woodpecker	Melanerpes lewis	Bird	none	SC	E WA; not supposed to be in King County; record from 1900s post-logging on Vashon

Marbled Murrelet*	Brachyramphus marmoratus	Bird	FT	ST	probable nesters in King County
Merlin	Falco columbarius	Bird	none	SC	winters in and migrates through King County; no breeding
Mountain chickadee	Poecile gambeli	Bird	none	none	
Northern Goshawk*	Accipiter gentilis	Bird	FCo	SC	few breeding in King County
Olive-sided Flycatcher	Contopus cooperi	Bird	none	none	IUCN list: Near threatened
Oregon Vesper Sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus affinis	Bird	FCo	SC	not in King County; rare in K.C.; 5+ records
Peregrine Falcon*	Falco peregrinus	Bird	FCo	SS	in King County
Pileated Woodpecker	Dryocopus pileatus	Bird	none	SC	confirmed breeding in King County
Purple Finch	Carpodacus purpureus	Bird	none	none	
Purple Martin	Progne subis	Bird	none	SC	confirmed breeding in King County

Ruffed grouse	Bonasa umbellus	Bird	none	none	Fairly common in hardwood and mixed woodlands at low to middle elevations throughout forested parts of four-county area, especially along brushy riparian corridors.
Sandhill Crane	Grus canadensis	Bird	none	SE	Eastern WA breeder; some migrate through K.C.
Snowy Plover	Charadrius alexandrinus	Bird	FT	SE	SW coast of WA; not their habitat or range; fewer than 5 records in K.C.
Sooty grouse	Dendragapus fuliginosus	Bird	none	none	
Spotted Owl*	Strix occidentalis	Bird	FT	SE	confirmed breeding
Streaked Horned Lark	Eremophila alpestris strigata	Bird	FC	SE	extremely unlikely; if in county, extreme NE edge
Surf scoter	Melanitta perspicillata	Bird	none	none	
Upland Sandpiper	Bartramia longicauda	Bird	none	SE	Eastern WA, if in WA at all; fewer than 5 records in K.C.

Vaux's Swift*	Chaetura vauxi	Bird	none	SC	confirmed breeding in King County
Western Grebe	Aechmophorus occidentalis	Bird	none	SC	winters in and migrates through King County; no breeding
Western Meadowlark	Sturnella neglecta	Bird	none	none	
White-winged scoter	Melanitta fusca	Bird	none	none	
Wood duck	Aix sponsa	Bird	none	none	
Yellow-Billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus americanus	Bird	FC	SC	historic presence; no current populations known in WA
Johnson's Hairstreak	Mitoura johnsoni	Butterfly/Moth	none	SC	have been recorded in King County in suitable habitat: lowland coniferous forests that contain dwarf mistletoes of the genus <i>Arceuthobium</i> .
Valley Silverspot	Speyeria zerene bremnerii	Butterfly/Moth	FCo	SC	may be in King Co.
Black Rockfish	Sebastes melanops	Fish	none	SC	in King County waters

Bocaccio Rockfish	Sebastes paucispinis	Fish	FE	SC	potentially in King County waters
Brown Rockfish	Sebastes auriculatus	Fish	FCo	SC	in King County waters
Bull Trout	Salvelinus confluentus	Fish	FT	SC	in King County
Canary Rockfish	Sebastes pinniger	Fish	FT	SC	potentially in King County waters
Chinook Salmon (Puget Sound)	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	Fish	FT	SC	in King County
chum salmon	Oncorhynchus keta	fish	none	none	
coastal resident/searun cutthroat	Oncorhynchus clarki clarki	fish	none	none	
coho/silver salmon	Oncorhynchus kisutch	fish	none	none	
Copper Rockfish	Sebastes caurinus	Fish	FCo	SC	in King County waters
Dolly Varden	Salvelinus malma	fish	none	none	
English sole	Parophrys vetulus	fish	none	none	

Green sturgeon	Acipenser Medirostris	fish	none	Monitor	
Greenstriped Rockfish	Sebastes elongatus	Fish	none	SC	potentially in King County waters
kokanee salmon	Onchorhynchus nerka	fish	none	none	
lingcod	Ophiodon elongatus	fish	none	none	
longfin smelt	Spirinchus thaleichthys	fish	none	none	
Olympic Mudminnow	Novumbra hubbsi	Fish	none	SS	possibly in King County; tho' records could have been from planted fish
Pacific Cod	Gadus macrocephalus	Fish	FCo	SC	King County waters
Pacific Hake	<i>Merluccius</i> productus	Fish	FCo	SC	King County waters
Pacific Herring	Clupea pallasi	Fish	FCo	SC	spawning grounds in Quartermaster Harbor, Vashon- Maury Island
Pacific sand lance	Ammodytes hexapterus	fish	none	none	

pink salmon	Oncorhynchus gorbuscha	fish	none	none	
Pygmy Whitefish	Prosopium coulteri	Fish	FCo	SS	in King County
Quillback Rockfish	Sebastes maliger	Fish	FCo	SC	in King County waters
rainbow trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	fish	none	none	
Redstripe Rockfish	Sebastes proriger	Fish	none	SC	in King County waters
River Lamprey	Lampetra ayresi	Fish	FCo	SC	in King County
rock sole	Pleuronectes bilineatus	fish	none	none	
sockeye/red salmon	Onchorhynchus nerka	fish	none	none	
Steelhead (Puget Sound)	Oncorhynchus mykiss	Fish	FT	none	in King County watercourses
surfsmelt	Hypomesus pretiosus	fish	none	none	
Walleye Pollock (So. Puget Sound)	Theragra chalcogramma	Fish	FCo	SC	possible in King County waters

White sturgeon	Acipenser transmontanus	fish	none	none	
Yelloweye Rockfish	Sebastes ruberrimus	Fish	FT	SC	in King County waters
Yellowtail Rockfish	Sebastes flavidus	Fish	none	SC	in King County waters
Black Right Whale	Balaena glacialis	Mammal	FE	SE	coastal - offshore; visitor to King County waters
Columbian black-tailed deer		Mammal	none	none	
Douglas Squirrel	Tamiasciurus douglasii	Mammal	none	none	
elk in their historic range		Mammal	none	none	
Fin Whale	Balaenoptera physalus	Mammal	FE	SE	coastal - offshore; visitor to King County waters
Fisher	Martes pennanti	Mammal	FC	SE	extirpated; historically present
Gray Whale	Eschrichtius robustus	Mammal	none	SS	coastal - offshore; visitor to King County waters

Gray Wolf	Canis lupus	Mammal	FE	SE	possible; former range in Cascades of King County
Grizzly Bear	Ursus arctos	Mammal	FT	SE	possible, but highly unlikely in King County
Humpback Whale	Megaptera novaeangliae	Mammal	FE	SE	coastal - offshore; visitor to King County waters
Killer Whale	Orcinus orca	Mammal	FE	SE	potentially the entire Sound; in K.C. waters
Lynx	Lynx canadensis	Mammal	FT	ST	extremely unlikely, but theoretically possible in extreme NE corner of county
Marten	Martes americana	Mammal	none	none	
mink	Mustela vison	Mammal	none	none	
mountain goat	Oreamnos americanus	Mammal	none	none	
Pacific Harbor Porpoise	Phocoena phocoena	Mammal	none	SC	range includes King County waters
Sea Otter	Enhydra lutris	Mammal	FCo	SE	outer coast; visitor to King County

Steller Sea Lion	Eumetopias jubatus	Mammal	FT	ST	outer coast; visitor to King County
Townsend Chipmunk	Tamias townsendii	Mammal	none	none	
Townsend's Big-Eared Bat*	Corynorhinus townsendii	Mammal	FCo	SC	presumed in King County
Wolverine	Gulo gulo	Mammal	FCo	SC	possible in King County
Olympia Oyster	OSTREA conchaphila	Mollusk	none	SC	not present currently or historically in King County waters; PHS data indicates otherwise
Oregon floater	Anodonta oregonensis	Mollusk	none	Monitor	
Western pearlshell mussel	Margaritifera falcata	Mollusk	none	Monitor	
Western ridged mussel	Gonidea angulata	Mollusk	none	Monitor	
Alligator lizard	Elgaria coerulea	Reptile	none	none	
western fence lizard	Sceloporus occidentalis	Reptile	none	none	

Western Pond Turtle	Actinemys marmorata	Reptile	FCo	SE	there are just a few historic records in KC
Dungeness crab	Metacarcinus magister	Shellfish	none	none	
Geoduck clam	Panopea generosa	Shellfish	none	none	
Pacific oyster	Crassostrea gigas	Shellfish	none	none	
Pandalid shrimp	Pandalus species, and Pandalopsis dispar. Spot (Prawn) Pandalus platyceros Sidestripe Pandalopsis dispar Dock (Coonstripe) Pandalus danae Humpback (Coonstripe) Pandalus hypsinotus Humpy (Coonstripe) Pandalus goniurus Northern (Rough) Pink Pandalus eous Ocean (Smooth) Pink Pandalus jordani	Shellfish	none	none	
Red Urchin	Strongylocentrotus franciscanus	Shellfish	none	none	

Status Codes:

- **FE**: Federal Endangered
- **FT**: Federal Threatened
- FC: Federal Candidate
- FCo: Federal Species of Concern
- SE: State Endangered, defined in WAC 232-12-297, Section 2.4, to include "any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that is seriously threatened with extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range within the state."
- ST: State Threatened, defined in WAC 232-12-297, Section 2.5, to include "any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future throughout a significant portion of its range within the state without cooperative management or removal of threats."
- **SS:** State Sensitive, defined in WAC 232-12-297, Section 2.6, to include "any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that is vulnerable or declining and is likely to become endangered or threatened throughout a significant portion of its range within the state without cooperative management or removal of threats."
- SC: State Candidate, defined in WDFW Policy M-6001 to include fish and wildlife species that the Department will review for possible listing as State Endangered, Threatened, or Sensitive. A species will be considered for designation as a State Candidate if sufficient evidence suggests that its status may meet the listing criteria defined for State Endangered, Threatened, or Sensitive.
- SM: State Monitor Species.

1. State Monitor Species are those that require management, survey, or data emphasis for one or more of the following reasons:

- a. They were classified as endangered, threatened, or sensitive within the previous five years.
- b. They require habitat that is of limited availability during some portion of their life cycle.
- c. They are indicators of environmental quality.
- d. There are unresolved taxonomic questions that may affect their candidacy for listing as endangered, threatened, or sensitive species.

2. State Monitor Species will be managed by the Department, as needed, to prevent them from becoming endangered, threatened, or sensitive.

3. Species already classified in a category that provides adequate management emphasis, survey work, and data maintenance (e.g., game animals, game birds, furbearers, etc.) will not be designated as State Monitor Species.

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