

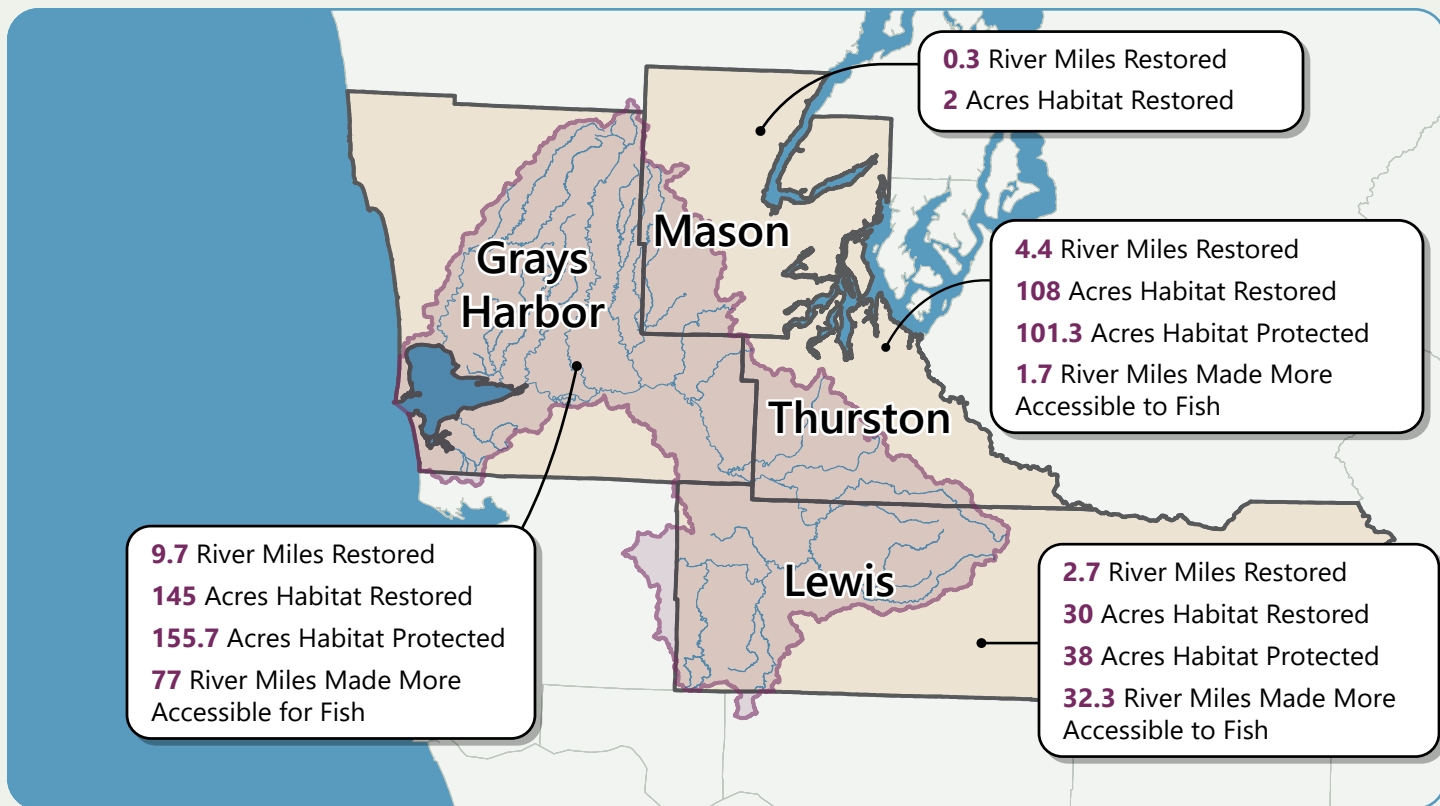
Chehalis Basin Aquatic Species Restoration Program

The Aquatic Species Restoration Program is a science-informed program funded by the Department of Ecology's Office of Chehalis Basin and approved by the independent Chehalis Basin Board. The program is designed to improve and restore aquatic habitat and help protect communities from damage caused by major floods in the Chehalis Basin.



Lewis County Stream Team Planting at China Creek, February 2024. Photo credit: Lewis Conservation District

Celebrating Progress



The ASRP's full 30-year plan will require rapidly increasing investments while continuing to build project sponsor and contractor capacity to put projects on the ground through at least 2030. The program's habitat restoration efforts will continue moving forward while the Chehalis Basin Board evaluates flood-control elements needed to implement the long-term Chehalis Basin Strategy.

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Are you interested in becoming a project sponsor?

Contact Drew Mealor at andrew.mealor@dfw.wa.gov for more information.

The Road Ahead: 2025 and Beyond

Land use practices, urban growth, and climate change are adversely affecting aquatic species and related habitats in the Chehalis Basin including:

- Spring-run Chinook salmon
- Oregon spotted frogs
- Freshwater mussels
- Headwater stream habitats

Restoring and protecting these cultural and ecologically important resources will require increased investment in the ASRP's 30-year plan which dovetails with other Chehalis Basin Strategy programs tackling flood-related damage and streambank erosion.

Beaver Dam Analog (BDA) in Action on Halsea Creek, July 2023. These hand-built structures help to pool water from the creek, benefitting coho and other species, jump-starting restoration of natural riverine processes, and attracting beavers back to the habitat to steward these processes into the future.

Are you an interested landowner?

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