

PUGET SOUNDKEEPER ALLIANCE

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Orange morning light colors the still waters of Puget Sound. A bald eagle circles low then dives striking a salmon and lifts the magnificent Coho to a piling for a breakfast feast.

How much longer will eagles find salmon to catch in Puget Sound? Salmon and all marine organisms need clean water to survive and thrive, but Puget Sound continues to be poisoned with toxic pollutants every day. Polluted stormwater runoff is the biggest threat to the health of Puget Sound, but because it isn't as visible as an oil spill, it is easy to forget the terrible impact that pollution has on the marine life below the surface. Scientists conservatively estimate that on an average day, more than 100,000 pounds of toxic chemicals (5 dump trucks) including petroleum, copper, lead, zinc, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) enter the Sound from our yards, driveways, roads and parking lots.

[Donate to Puget Soundkeeper Alliance](#) today -- help us protect Puget Sound from toxic and deadly pollution.



Puget Soundkeeper Alliance is the only organization defending Puget Sound. We are on the water every week looking for illegal pollution and we are the only voice in the court room standing up for cleaner water in Puget Sound.

2009 Highlights

- Organized 21 water clean up events involving over 1000 volunteers and removing over 7 tons of trash from our waterways and shorelines;
- Installed eight bilge water collection bins to allow thousands of boaters convenient access to safely dispose of contaminated bilge water; and
- Settled 14 Clean Water Act cases generating \$344,857 in funds for other clean water and restoration organizations.

Upcoming in 2010

- Puget Soundkeeper Alliance will work hard for stronger general stormwater permits covering industrial facilities, construction, sand and gravel operations and boatyards.
- With the help of volunteers, we are organizing 20 shoreline and waterway cleanups throughout Puget Sound to remove marine debris.
- We will continue to patrol by boat and kayak and enforce the Clean Water Act with citizen lawsuits against illegal polluters.

If [Puget Soundkeeper Alliance](#) is not at the table or on the water, no one will defend Puget Sound.

We are your eyes on the water...and your voice at the table.

Take our [Puget Sound Watersheds Pledge](#) and learn simple ways to protect Puget Sound from stormwater pollution.

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from toxic pollution.**

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