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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of Puget Soundkeeper, I’d like to thank you for helping us protect the waters of Puget Sound. Together we’ve accomplished a lot, with hundreds of on-water patrols and citizen enforcement victories, precedent-setting policy leadership, thousands of volunteer stewardship hours and innovative educational projects—all to monitor, clean up and prevent pollution sources impacting our waterways.

With your help, in 2015, Soundkeeper:

• Successfully resolved three major citizen Clean Water Act cases tackling industrial stormwater pollution, directing a total of $496,250 to third-party environmental benefit projects to mitigate the damage. In particular, Seattle’s largest container port will now install a stormwater treatment system to filter pollutants before discharging to Elliott Bay.
• Expanded our role of Puget Sound coordinator for the International Coastal Cleanup, organizing 26 regional cleanups in September and October of 2015. This is the largest global volunteer movement in service to rivers, lakes and oceans.
• Certified the 72nd Clean Marina through our award-winning statewide Clean Marina Washington program.
• Achieved a landmark ruling from the WA Court of Appeals holding major industrial facilities like BP, Phillips 66 and Tesoro oil refineries accountable for the toxicity of their wastewater discharges—protecting sensitive fish species like Pacific Herring.

Puget Sound is a national treasure and we are united in our fight to protect its waters. Although we have more work to do and the challenges that remain are great, thanks to you we are stronger than ever, with our largest and most talented staff yet. We could not do this without you. Thank you for your generous support of this critically important work.

Chris Wilke
Puget Soundkeeper and Executive Director

Our work is local, but it goes beyond our shores. Puget Soundkeeper is helping to lead a network of 293 licensed Waterkeepers worldwide, each one passionately focused on protecting swimmable, drinkable and fishable waters in their local watershed.
22,075 pounds of marine debris removed from Puget Sound shorelines and waterways

41 cleanup events from Bellingham to Olympia
13 active Clean Water Act cases in the Puget Sound watershed

205 million gallons of polluted stormwater controlled through Clean Water Act enforcement
102 sites observed for compliance with Clean Water Act

74 pollution reports

121 on-water patrols of Puget Sound
On October 24 Puget Soundkeeper was proud to present the 2015 Inspiration Award to Brian Cladoosby, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community Chairman and President of the National Congress of American Indians. Chair Cladoosby has been an inspiration leader, not just for the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community and tribes throughout the U.S., but to all of us laboring at advocacy to protect and preserve the environment and ways of life that depend on clean and healthy water.

“Since time immemorial the Coast Salish have been the caretakers of the Salish Sea. For more than 150 years, we have lived with the destruction of our resources and environment by a pollution-based economy. It is time for a change, and this can only happen if we work together.” —Brian Cladoosby

A fisherman himself, Chair Cladoosby has helped lead the tribes’ effort with the state and EPA to advocate for accurate and protective human health water quality criteria in Washington. He has taken action to improve the ways that agriculture and development uses and affects water in the Skagit Delta and throughout the watershed, an ecosystem critical to salmon in their early life stages. He has placed his tribe at the forefront of ensuring that fossil fuel industries, both here and on the Canadian side of the border, do not run roughshod over tribal rights. And he has been instrumental in calling attention to the huge risks inherent in shipping ever more oil along Puget Sound shorelines, over the region’s rivers and through the Salish Sea.

Our deepest thanks to Chair Cladoosby for his continual leadership and powerful work to protect and preserve Puget Sound.
Income $1,127,540
Program Expenses $867,385
Management and General Expenses $27,702
Fundraising Expenses $194,824
Net Assets $770,862

EXPENSES
- 45.6% Soundkeeper Program
- 11.9% Outreach Program
- 22.1% Pollution Prevention Program
- 2.5% Management and General
- 17.9% Fund Development

INCOME
- 34.8% Foundation Support
- 15.2% Business and Corporate Support
- 27.1% Individual Support
- 6.7% Government Grants
- 0.5% EarthShare Income
- 13.5% Special Events Net Income
- 2.2% Interest and Other Income