



WASHINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

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## SAY YES TO INVEST

#### CLIMATE & CLEAN ENERGY

In an era of federal inaction, we are keeping Washington steadily moving toward a clean energy future. We continue to say "no" to dirty energy projects, and "yes" to solutions that improve the health of the environment and our communities. With our Alliance for Jobs and Clean Energy partners, we developed a landmark policy to reduce climate pollution and build an equitable, prosperous future for our state. Our organizing and outreach team also helped build grassroots momentum needed to launch the Clean Air, Clean Energy initiative and there is now a big wave of activists taking action!

## **VANCOUVER VICTORY**

FOSSIL FUELS

We stood up to the fossil fuel industry – and won! Again! Through our work with the Stand Up To Oil campaign, we successfully defeated the nation's largest oil-by-rail terminal proposed in Vancouver, WA. This multi-year battle is a major victory for our climate and communities. The project posed unacceptable risks to the health, safety, and sustainability of communities throughout Washington. This win stops massive oil infrastructure from taking hold in our state, and shows the power of local communities to determine their own future.



# INPACTING LIVES ECOSYSTEMS COMMUNITIES





## **KEEPING SCORE**

#### PUGET SOUND

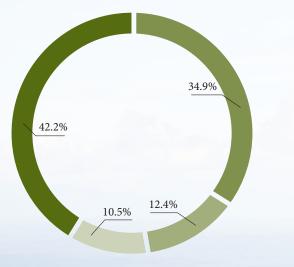
We are improving water quality in Puget Sound by using innovative strategies and policies. We released Nature's Scorecard to show how large cities and counties are performing when it comes to using green infrastructure to address stormwater pollution. The scorecard highlights the work of eight "green star" communities that went above and beyond, and challenges underperforming communities to improve their scores. The response has been positive, with many jurisdictions wanting to know how they can do more (learn more at naturesscorecard.com). We also successfully fought to designate Puget Sound as a No Discharge Zone, requiring boaters to use pump out facilities for human waste rather than dumping directly in the Sound.

## **RURAL RESOURCES**

#### FORESTRY

Forests are central to Washington's identity and economy. When managed sustainably, they protect ecosystems, provide clean water, and reduce climate pollution. We are working to maintain healthy working forests in rural communities by securing financial incentives for sustainable forestry. We successfully advocated a significant change that now allows the Clean Water State Revolving Fund be used for forestry projects that protect water quality. Historically this funding is used for "gray" projects like water treatment facilities; there is now a large source of funding for smart forest projects. Already, two sustainably managed forest projects in Pierce and Skamania counties applied for and received funding for their watershed protection efforts.

## 2017 FINANCIALS



### INCOME

Grants	\$1,416,626
Individual Giving	\$1,172,921
Bequests & Endowment Income	\$417,603
Events	\$354,204
Total Income	\$3,361,354



#### NET

Net Assets Beginning	\$4,443,400
Net Assets Ending	\$4,991,465
Held in Reserve	\$417,603
Net Increase in Assets	\$548,065

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