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## Island County

### County awarded 2219 grant to help fish

Washington State has awarded Island County a \$179,000 two-year grant to pay for salmon recovery efforts along six miles of Strawberry Point on north Whidbey Island.

The Strawberry Point project is part of a statewide effort to support commercial and recreational salmon harvest by keeping the salmon population at a sustainable level. It is one of 95 projects approved this year by the State Salmon Recovery Funding Board, from 115 eligible proposals.

Strawberry Point is located on Skagit Bay, opposite the north and south forks of the Skagit River. The waters and habitat there are used by Chinook and the forage fish they depend on. Skagit River Chinook are listed as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act.