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Corps announces FY22 Chittenden Locks closures

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Seattle District held their Lake Washington Ship Canal Annual Stakeholders Meeting on Aug. 19. The district has made major repairs since 2014 and has received funding to complete even more work.

The following closures are proposed for 2021 and 2022 routine annual maintenance work:

Large lock annual de-watering maintenance closure

2021

- Close Nov. 9
- Re-water and open by the end of day Nov. 24

2022

- Close Nov. 8
- Reopen by the end of the day Nov. 24

Small lock annual de-watering

2021 already completed

2022

- Close Feb. 28
- Reopen by the end of the day Mar. 12

Seattle District also provided an update on the Center Gate construction project. They have funding and will issue a bid solicitation. This work is anticipated to be completed



over multiple calendar years, such as October of one year through February of the next. The district is trying to minimize the number and duration of outages.

For more information, visit the [Chittenden Locks website](#), [Facebook page](#), or [Twitter feed](#).

To obtain a copy of the annual stakeholder meeting recording, [email Dallas Edwards](#) or call him at 206-764-6958.

Cantwell, Kilmer focus on salmon solutions



Northwest salmon recovery requires sustained efforts targeted to every part of the fish lifecycle. Sen. Maria Cantwell (D, WA) and Rep. Derek Kilmer (D, WA-6), seen here inspecting needed improvements in Seattle's Carkeek Park with King County, Washington Executive Dow Constantine, are working to fund culvert replacements and other important salmon recovery infrastructure projects in Puget Sound.

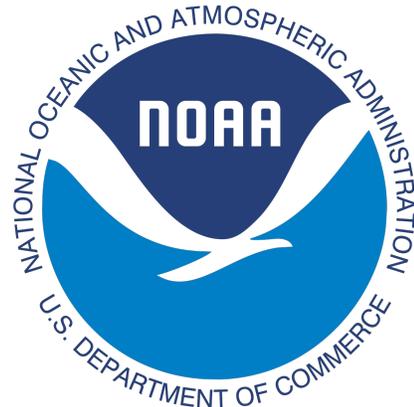
Read more about it on [Rep. Kilmer's website](#), or on [Sen. Cantwell's Facebook page](#).

NOAA hosts conservation listening sessions

On May 6, 2021, the U.S. Departments of the Interior, Agriculture and Commerce, and the White House Council on Environmental Quality released a report on [Conserving and Restoring America the Beautiful](#). The report calls for a decade-long effort to advance locally led and voluntary conservation and restoration in public, private, and tribal lands and waters.

These efforts will build on NOAA's five decades of conserving and connecting people to ecosystems, species, and special places in our nation's marine and Great Lakes environments. Guided by the [eight core principles](#) in the report, NOAA is now seeking input from stakeholders on how NOAA should, using existing legal authorities, conserve and restore America's oceans, coasts and Great Lakes.

NOAA will reach out and work with all stakeholders, including regional fishery management councils and sanctuary advisory committees, to identify areas or networks of areas where their fisheries management or resource management efforts would support long-term conservation goals.



Below are meeting details for two upcoming listening sessions:

Thursday, August 26: Stakeholder Listening Session

- Time: 12-2 PM PDT
- Dial in: 888-323-9726, Passcode: 890-4233
- Webinar: [Join Here](#) on the day of the meeting (Conference number: PWXW2317057, Audience passcode: 8904233)

Monday, September 13: Stakeholder Listening Session

- Time: 12-2 PM PDT
- Dial in: 800-857-5743, Passcode: 727-5932
- Webinar: [Join Here](#) on the day of the meeting (Conference number: PWXW2317058, Audience passcode: 7275932)

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