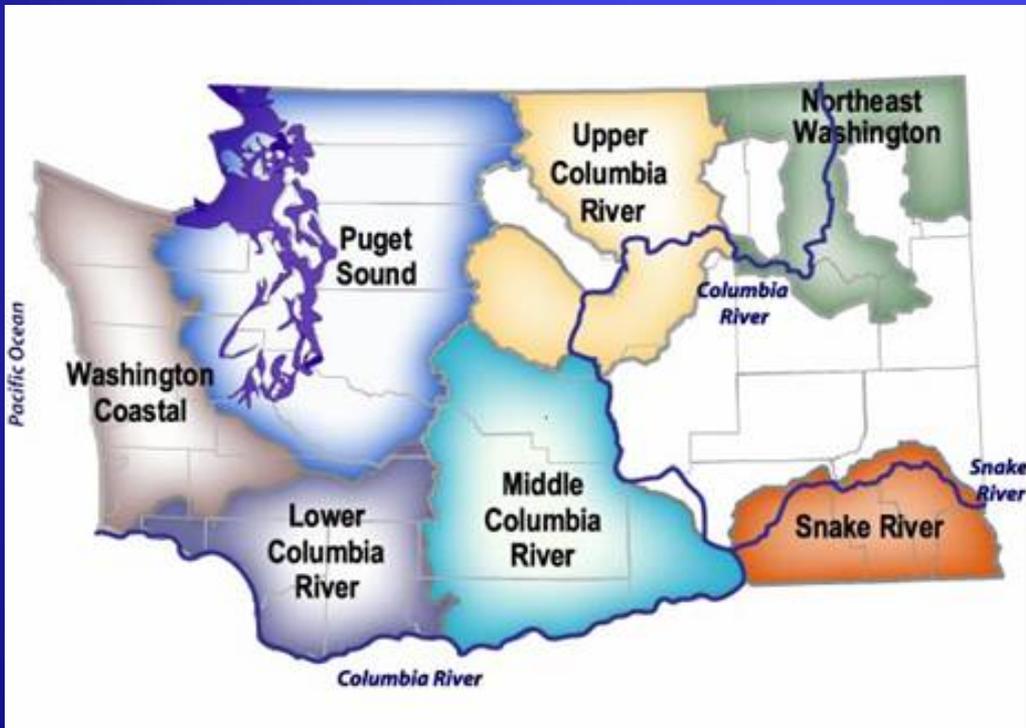


SOUTHEAST WASHINGTON, SNAKE RIVER MANAGEMENT UNIT PLAN OVERVIEW

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STATE OF WASHINGTON APPROACH

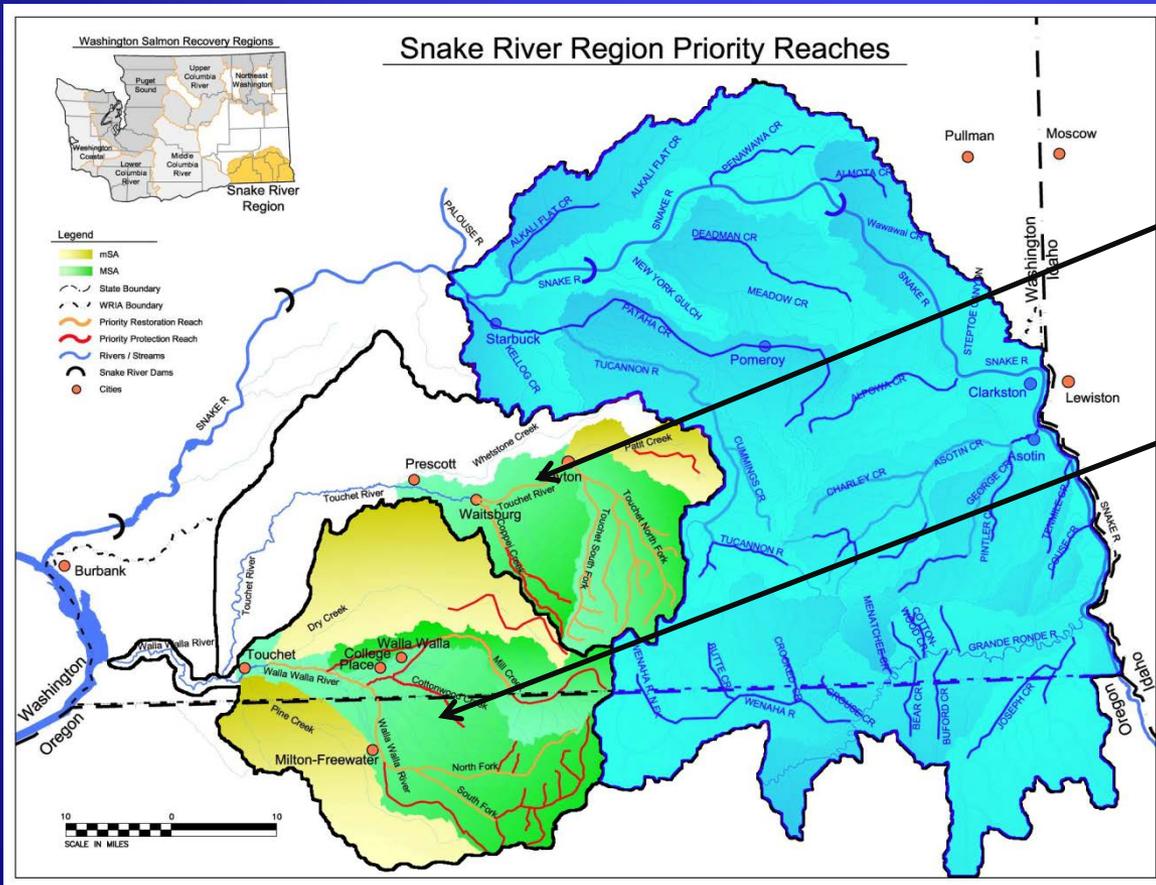


MANAGEMENT UNIT PLAN OVERVIEW



- Plan covers 9 salmon and steelhead populations in the Snake River & Mid C ESUs within Washington; completed 2005.
- Voluntary Board organized in 2002, composed of County Commissioners, CTUIR, Landowners and At-Large, combines with a regional technical team, meeting monthly – for eight years and going!

MID-C MANAGEMENT UNITS



SNAKE RIVER MPG's AND POP's

STEELHEAD

Lower Snake Mainstem Tributaries

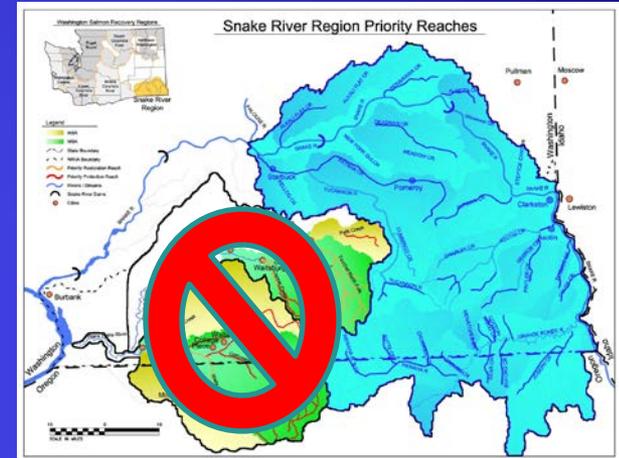
Tucannon

Asotin

Grande Ronde

Lower Grande Ronde (partial)

Joseph Creek (partial)



SPRING CHINOOK

Lower Snake Mainstem Tributaries

Tucannon

Asotin (?)

Grande Ronde

Wenaha

Joseph Creek (partial)

SNAKE RIVER FALL CHINOOK

PLAN SCOPE

- Assessment was all-H and all life cycles but vast majority of actions are designed to increase productivity and spatial distribution
- Policies and programs to increase abundance and life history diversity are identified and recommendations provided

MANAGEMENT UNIT ASSUMPTIONS

- The SRSRB expects to be an active participant when other populations are rolled up to a full ESU recovery plan; the MU Plan does not encompass any ESU in its entirety, and therefore can only contribute to the recovery and ultimate delisting of any ESU

IDENTIFICATION OF ACTIONS

- EDT assessment identified limiting factors across several hundred individual stream reaches; RTT provided threats
- Magnitude of each limiting factor was determined based on productivity
- NOAA TRT intrinsic potential analysis identified priority restoration reaches

PRIORITIZING ACTIONS

- Actions in the priority restoration reaches aimed at the most severe limiting factor were identified
- Actions are primarily site-specific while strategies span entire reaches
- Actions are primarily habitat based
- Tracked and managed by implementation work schedule

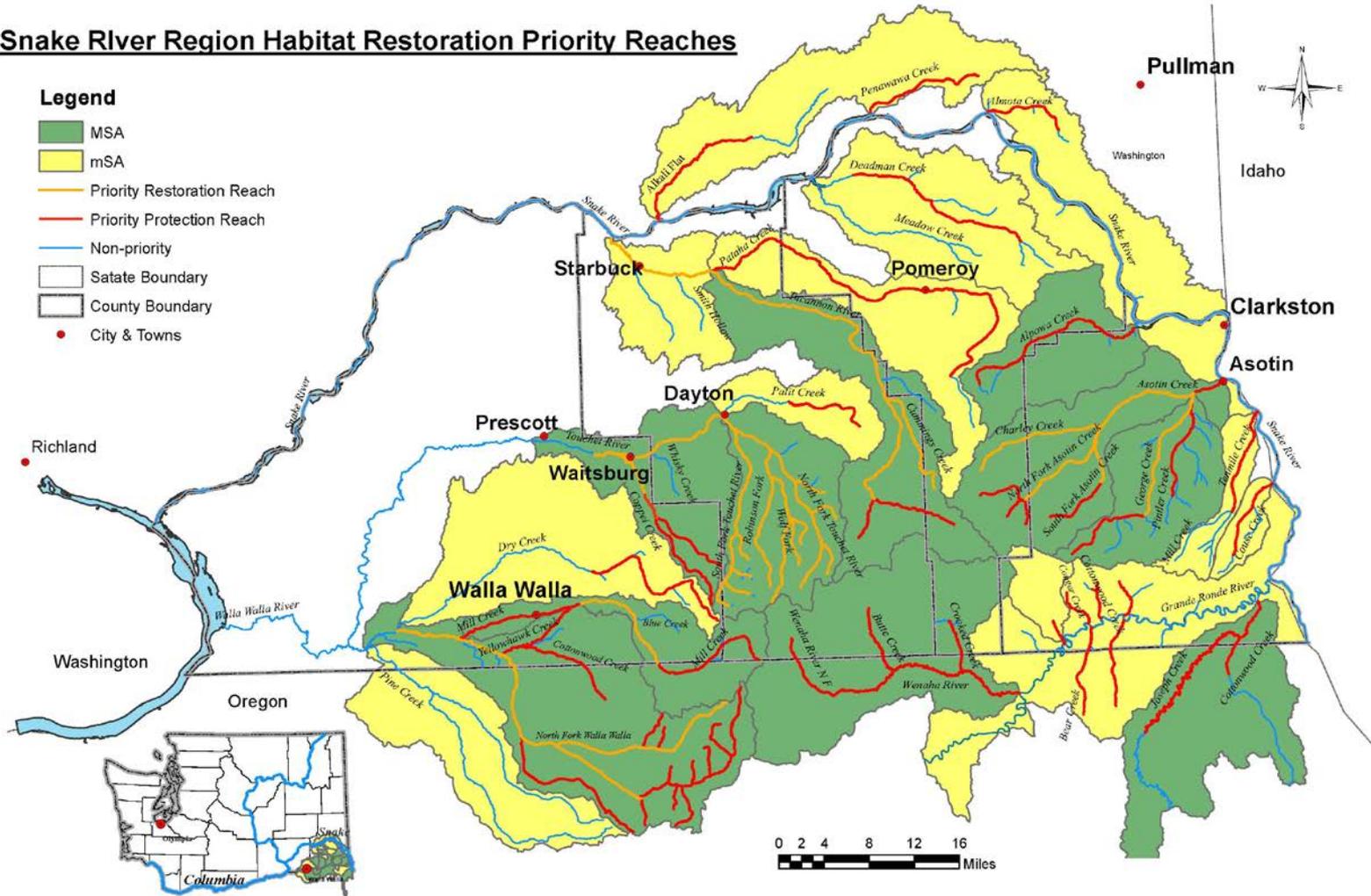
THE APPROACH IS TO CONCURRENTLY:

- Focus restoration actions first on imminent threats followed by habitat actions in geographic areas with high intrinsic potential (MSAs) that focus on the priority limiting factors.
- Protect properly functioning areas.
- Revise/revise/update those programs and policies that threaten the continued persistence of ESA-listed salmonids in the region.

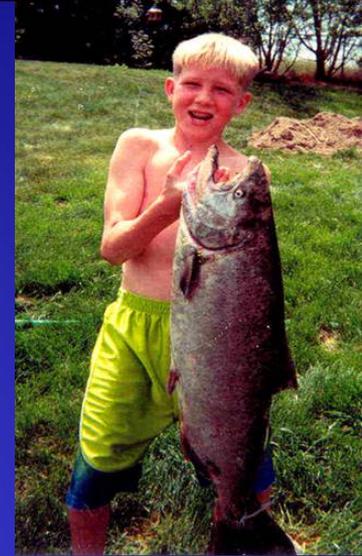
Snake River Region Habitat Restoration Priority Reaches

Legend

- MSA
- mSA
- Priority Restoration Reach
- Priority Protection Reach
- Non-priority
- State Boundary
- County Boundary
- City & Towns



RECOVERY GOALS



Delisting met within 15 years; restoration within 50 years

- Abundance: 500 to 1,000 adults
- Productivity: 1.3 to 1.45
- Spatial Structure: 500 or more adults in each Major Spawning Area; occupancy in each mSA
- Diversity: expand distribution and life history pathways

IMPLEMENTATION

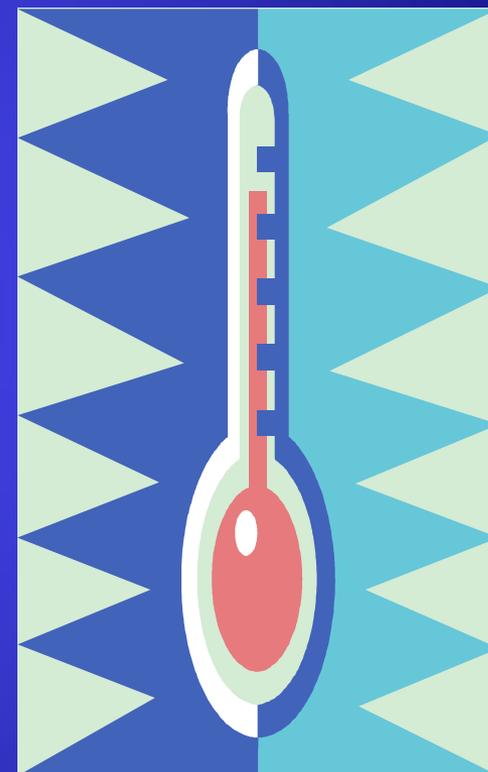
- Implementation work schedule provides the script from which partners are working in harmony – coordinated and well sequenced implementation by myriad sponsors with diverse funding sources
- Projects are tracked in the habitat work schedule and progress reports are published

RM & E

- Chapter identifies on-going and needed RME projects to monitor and evaluate the status and viability of the populations, action effectiveness and habitat conditions (status and trends)

PARTICIPATION AND BUY-IN

- Community leaders, local governments, CTUIR as well as state and federal agencies are represented = transparency & buy-in
- Participation by conservation districts, fish enhancement groups, watershed planning units, etc is very high



INTERDEPENDENCIES

- The SE Washington MU Plan does not encompass any ESU in its entirety, and therefore cannot directly facilitate the recovery and ultimate delisting of any ESU. Instead this plan aims to support recovery at the ESU level through improvements in performance at the population and MSA levels of aggregation.

INTERDEPENDENCIES

- The SE Washington MU Plan does not have "authority" for improvements to hydro, harvest or hatcheries and relies upon existing policies and programs managed through existing legal processes to support recovery.

UPDATING 2005 PLAN

NOAA Contract:

- Hatchery Strategies
- Harvest Strategies

Recovery Board Contract:

- RME
- Stock Status
- Implementation Schedule

INGREDIENTS FOR SUCCESS

- Involvement
- Action
- Report Progress

