New Insights into the Management and Ecology of Anadromous Cutthroat Trout

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Project Background: Anadromous Salmon and Trout of Coastal United States













Anadromous Cutthroat Trout



Why Study "Searun" Cutthroat?

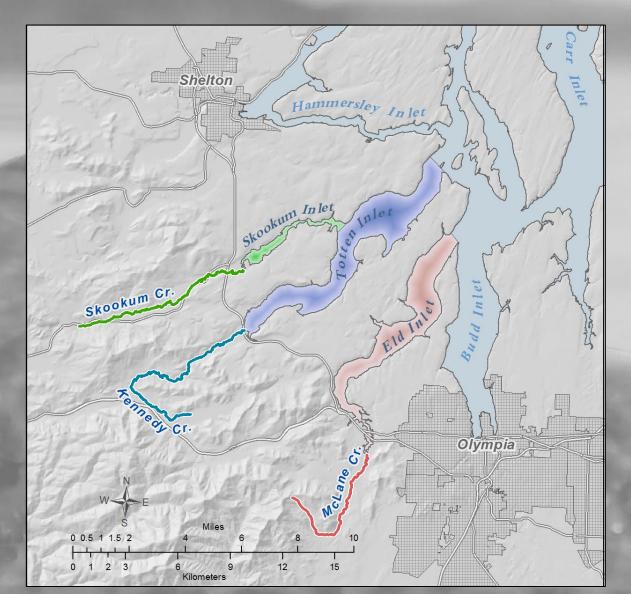
- 1. Lack of scientific information associated with Coastal Cutthroat Trout
 - Non-Commercial Species
 - No recognized conservation concern
 - Difficult to study (small bodied, diverse life history)
 - Not a salmon, not a trout.



- 2. Important native, wild species
 - Economically (\$1.1 million annually in Puget Sound)
 - Ecologically
 - Scientifically (Expand understanding of other salmonids)
 - Remain in the Salish Sea for their entire marine phase



South Sound Cutthroat Trout



Coastal Cutthroat Genetic Baseline Skookum Kennedy McClane











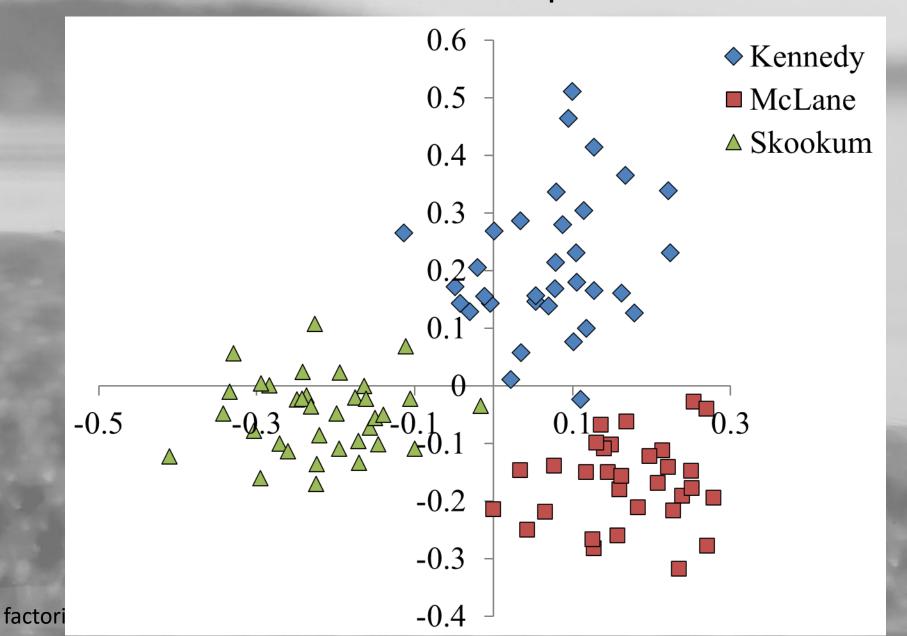




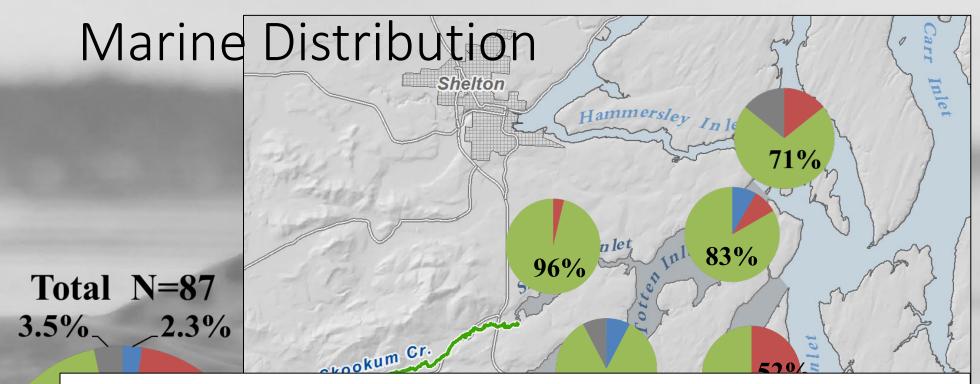




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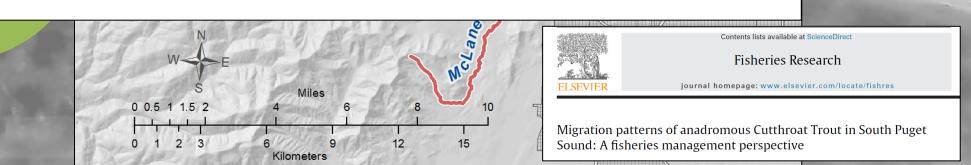


Marine Distribution Shelton Hammersley In let Skookum Cr.



Marine distribution:

- South Sound Trout fishery is composed of mixed stocks.
- Skookum creek is disproportionately contributing.



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Traditional Tools for Cutthroat Science









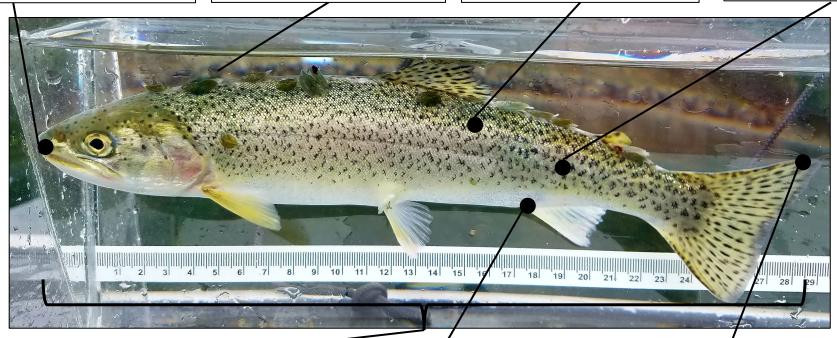


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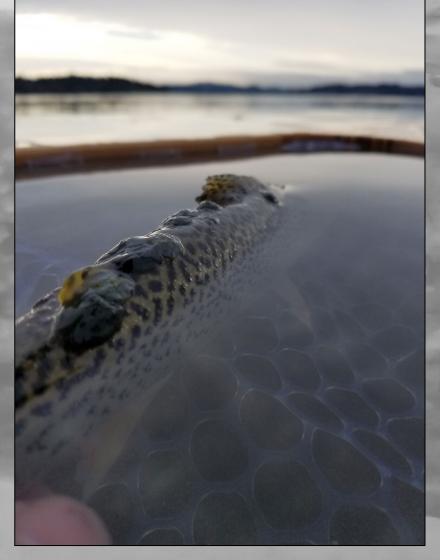
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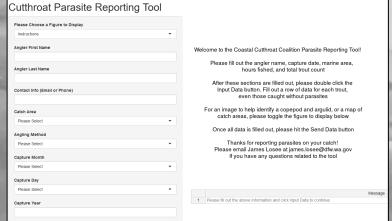


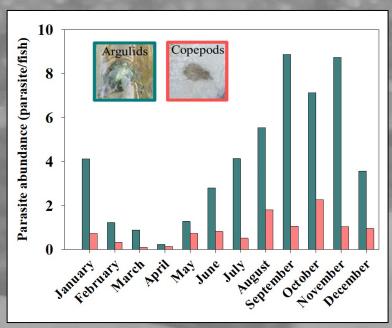
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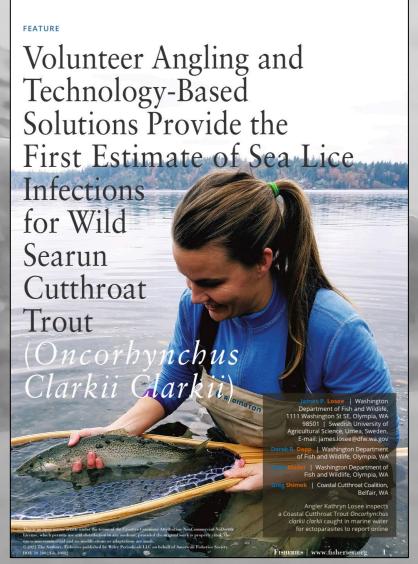


Crowd Sourcing Cutthroat Science









Coastal Cutthroat Trout Science



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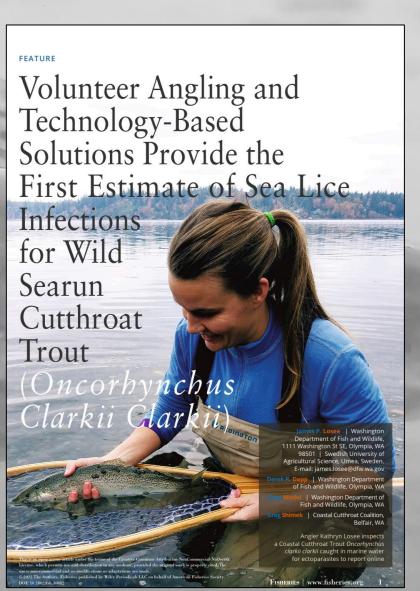
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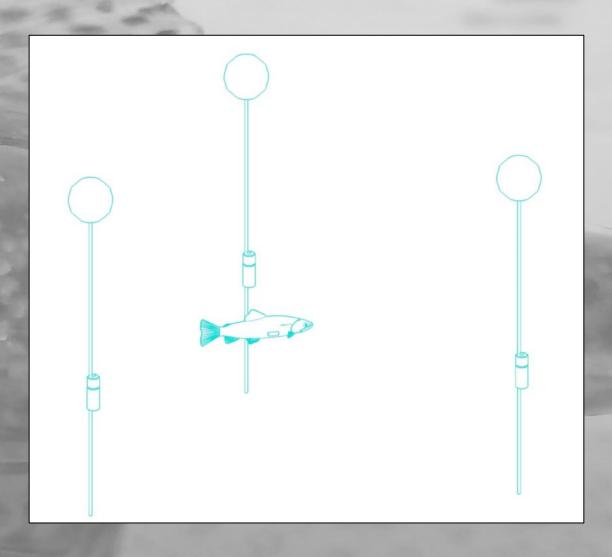
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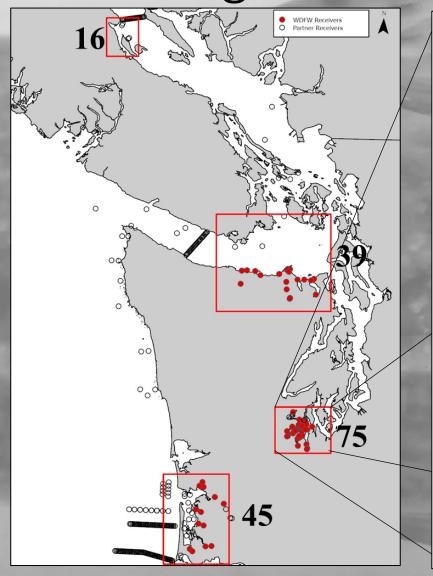


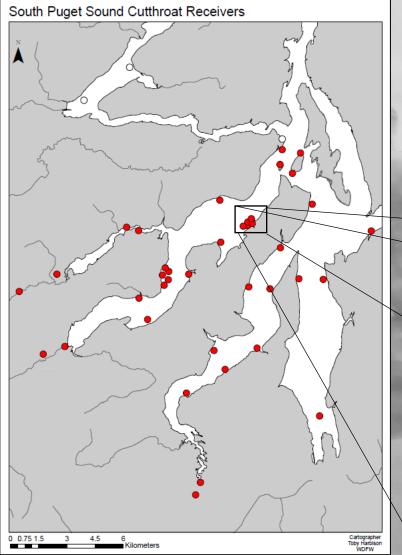
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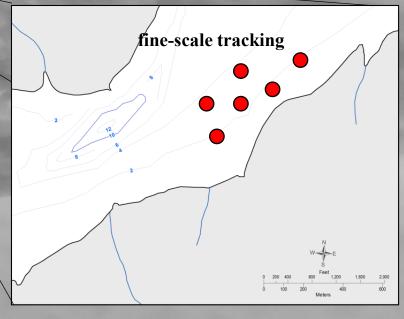


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Next steps: Cutthroat Trout Marine Survival





Next steps: Cutthroat Trout Diet













Anadromous Cutthroat Life Cycle 7. Tributary spawning and 6. Spawning migration interaction with resident forms 5. Marine phase- 0-4 years (5) 8. "Slob Trout" 2. Smolt outmigration in spring 4. Early marine-3. Estuarine nearshore oriented migration/residencyextended duration 1. Freshwater **Estuary** Fjord Ocean rearing- 0-6 years