

## Urban Waters Federal Partnership a national initiative with local roots





















13 federal agencies participating/23 NGOs

#### **GD-UWFP Program**





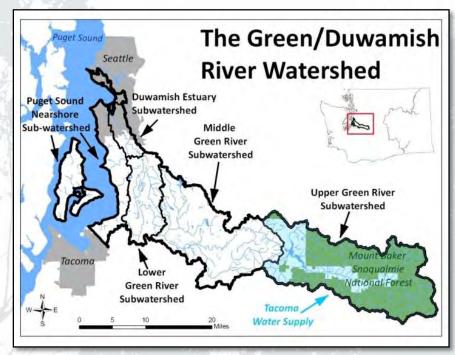




7 Pilots in 2012

11 Added in 2013

Only site in Pacific NW



#### **Principal Federal Partners**

- > USFS, PNW Research
- USFS, State & Private Forestry
- > EPA
- > NRCS
- Tracy Stanton (Ambassador/Coordinator)

### **UWFP** Goals

- Promote conservation, clean water
- Promote cross-agency partnerships
- Reconnect people to their waterways
- Advance social equity & environmental justice
- Spur local economic benefits & jobs





## **UWFP Operational Approach:** *Collective Impact Model*

#### Work through existing multistakeholder initiatives:

- WRIA 9
- PSP (Federal Caucus)
- Regional Open Space Strategy
- GCRA
- Local/regional government
- Local/regional NGOs

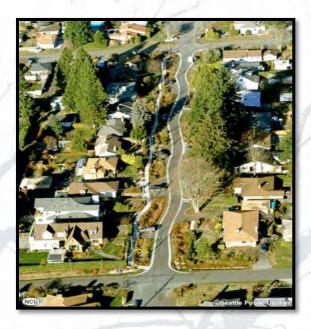
#### Opportunity triage . . .

- Reconnect people to their waterways
- Advance environmental justice
- Create local economic benefits & jobs



#### **Current Projects**

- Duwamish River Blueprint WRIA9, EPA, USFS
- Duwamish Valley Youth Corps DRCC/TAG
- Inventory of Existing Activities across the Watershed (a mapping tool)
- Green Infrastructure and Human Health King County, GCRA, UW
- ➤ Healthy River/Healthy Communities DRCC/TAG
- ➤ Middle Green Riparian Restoration, Fish-Farms-Floods— EPA, USFS, NRCS
- Ecosystem Services Valuation and Framework Earth Economics
- > Return on Investment Analysis for North Winds Weir Earth Economics





Seattle Street
Street Edge Alternative

#### Green Cities Research Alliance











#### Sustainable cities through science, policy, and citizen action



**USDA** Forest Service Pacific NW Research Station









**UW Remote** Sensing & Geospatial Lab





Parks & Recreation Division



City of Seattle













### Project Highlights Urban Forest Assessments

Forest Ecosystem Values (i-Tree) - City of Seattle Forest Landscape Assessment Tool - King County



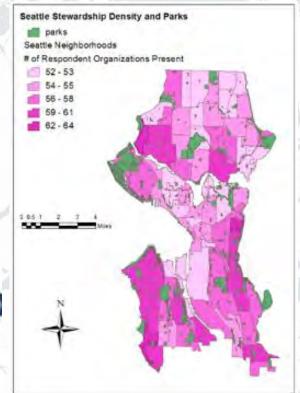




all King County parks & open spaces

## Project Highlights Citizen Stewardship Assessments

Citizen Stewardship Motivations Stewardship Mapping of Organizations







### Project Highlights Public Health Research

Green Cities: Good Health Science Delivery



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# Urban Forest & Human Health Benefits

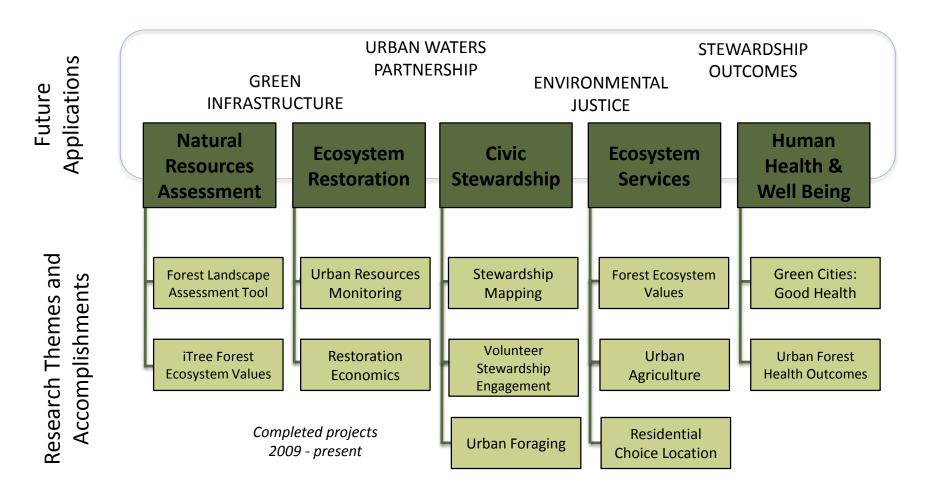
tree loss & resident health





Donovan et al. 2013. Journal of Preventive Medicine

# GCRA Research Themes and Accomplishments



Socio-Ecological Systems :: Landscape Gradient

#### Salmon, Trees, Habitat, Water, People, Economy



When we tug at a single thing in nature

We find it attached to the rest of the world

-John Muir







### **Comments & Questions**

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