

Shore Friendly Living San Juan County Workshops – March 2024

Jessica Cote is a licensed Professional Engineer with Blue Coast Engineering. Jessica and her firm specialize in the evaluation of coastal processes to design solutions for shoreline issues that balance ecological benefits with site usage. She has been practicing in Puget Sound for almost 20 years and routinely works with homeowners through the Shore Friendly Programs across the region.

Traci Sanderson is an Ecologist with Blue Coast Engineering with 17 years of experience. She is a Professional Wetland Scientist and Certified Fisheries Professional. Traci has expertise in evaluating biological habitats, wetlands, and fish access and passage. She assists engineers in creating designs of shoreline and estuary projects that maximize biological habitats for fish and other species and are easily permittable.

Tina Whitman is Science Director at Friends of the San Juans where she has managed shoreline research, restoration, and protection programs since 2002. Tina received a Master of Science from the University of Oregon and has more than 30 years of experience in coastal habitat conservation in New England and the Pacific Northwest.

Katherine Dietzman is the Shoreline and Mapping Specialist for Friends of the San Juans. You can find Katherine leading the San Juan County Shore Friendly Program, conducting shoreline property owner site visits, assisting in restoration projects, creating maps, and looking for forage fish eggs under a microscope in her basement! Katherine has been working for Friends of the San Juans for over two years.

Lisa Kaufman is the Director of Programs for the Northwest Straits Foundation where she has managed habitat restoration projects and shoreline landowner outreach programs including the Shore Friendly program since 2013. Lisa has over 20 years of experience working to restore and protect the shorelines of the north Sound.

Haley Sherman is Project Coordinator for the Northwest Straits Foundation, where she assists in landowner outreach and site assessments for the Shore Friendly program, helping shoreline property owners understand how to protect their property through natural methods. Haley has been working with the Foundation to protect and restore our marine resources for three years.

Ellen Goudie is the Nearshore Program Assistant for the Northwest Straits Foundation, assisting in outreach, organization, and site assessments for the Shore Friendly Program, as well as other shoreline restoration projects. Ellen has been working with the Foundation for about a year.

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Lopez Island Shoreline Property Owner Workshop Agenda
Thursday March 14, 2024 12:00PM – 3:00PM
Lopez Island Grange – 452 Richardson Rd
Field Trip: Lopez Island Public Beach – Lopez Rd

12:00 – 12:10

Welcome Shoreline Property Owners: Katherine Dietzman

12:10 – 12:25

Introduction to San Juan County Shorelines: Tina Whitman (10mins)

Q & A (5mins)

12:25 – 12:30

Introduction to Shore Friendly Program: Lisa Kaufman

12:30 – 1:45

Best Practices for Management of Shorelines, Drainage and Vegetation: Jessica Cote, Traci Sanderson (1 hour)

Q & A (15mins)

1:45 – 2:00

Resources for Shoreline Property Owners – Next Steps: Katherine Dietzman (10mins)

Q & A (5mins)

Thank You!

2:00 – 2:10

Travel to Lopez Village Public Beach (10min Drive)

2:10 – 3:00

Beach Walk Field Trip: Guided by Jessica Cote and Traci Sanderson

Questions and Discussions Encouraged!

San Juan Island Shoreline Property Owner Workshop Agenda
Friday March 15, 2024 2:00PM – 5:00PM
San Juan Island Grange – 152 First St N
Field Trip: Jackson Beach – Jackson Beach Rd

2:00 – 2:10

Welcome Shoreline Property Owners: Katherine Dietzman

2:10 – 2:25

Introduction to San Juan County Shorelines: Tina Whitman (10mins)

Q & A (5mins)

2:25 – 2:30

Introduction to Shore Friendly Program: Haley Sherman / Ellen Goudie

2:30 – 3:45

Best Practices for Management of Shorelines, Drainage and Vegetation: Jessica Cote,
Traci Sanderson (1 hour)

Q & A (15mins)

3:45 – 4:00

Resources for Shoreline Property Owners – Next Steps: Katherine Dietzman (10mins)

Q & A (5mins)

Thank You!

4:00 – 4:10

Travel to Jackson Beach (5min Drive)

4:10 – 5:00

Beach Walk Field Trip: Guided by Jessica Cote and Traci Sanderson

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Orcas Island Shoreline Property Owner Workshop Agenda
Saturday March 16, 2024 9:00AM – 12:00PM
Orcas Island Senior Center – 62 Henry Rd
Field Trip: Eastsound Waterfront Park – 96 Main St

9:00 – 9:10

Welcome Shoreline Property Owners: Katherine Dietzman

9:10 – 9:25

Introduction to San Juan County Shorelines: Tina Whitman (10mins)

Q & A (5mins)

9:25 – 9:30

Introduction to Shore Friendly Program: Haley Sherman / Ellen Goudie

9:30 – 10:45

Best Practices for Management of Shorelines, Drainage and Vegetation: Jessica Cote,
Traci Sanderson (1 hour)

Q & A (15mins)

10:45 – 11:00

Resources for Shoreline Property Owners – Next Steps: Katherine Dietzman (10mins)

Q & A (5mins)

Thank You!

11:00 – 11:10

Travel to Eastsound Waterfront Park (3min Drive *or* 15min Walk)

11:10 – 12:00

Beach Walk Field Trip: Guided by Jessica Cote and Traci Sanderson

Questions and Discussions Encouraged!