

Quarterly Summary to Washington State Department of Health On-the-Ground Efforts in the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District 2nd Quarter of 2004

Efforts continue in the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District to affect change in the water quality over the shellfish beds and throughout the district as a whole. The following is a summarized list of activities that have occurred in the district over the second quarter of 2004.

Agricultural practices (Department of Agriculture, Department of Ecology and Whatcom Conservation District):

- 0- dairy farm re-inspections completed
- 0- dairy complaint investigations
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On-site Septic Systems (Whatcom County Health Department)

- 10- OSS inspections performed - 7 loan inspections, 3 based on complaint
- 3- abated
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Municipal Sewer Systems (City of Blaine, DOE)

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Water Quality Monitoring (Northwest Indian College)

- **Freshwater sites-11 sites monitored monthly**
 - Water quality continues to look good in the California and Dakota Creek systems. All five sites in the Dakota Creek watershed and all but the furthest upland site on California Creek are meeting both parts of the freshwater Class A standard.

Other Projects/Activities in 2004

- **Puget Sound Restoration Fund Grant-**
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- **Community Oyster Farm-**
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- **Port of Bellingham-**
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- **Mutt Mitt Program-** Based on the number of mitts used from April through June 2003, roughly 1.5×10^{12} (1,500,000,000,000) fecal coliform bacteria were removed from the system before they could enter the harbor waters during this time period.
- **Puget Sound Action Team (PSAT)-**
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- **2nd Shuckin' on the Spit –**

