



# Spokane Salmon Restoration

## COLLABORATIVE

**Creating a Citizens Committee**

## Federal Endangered Species Act (NOAA)

## Statewide Salmon Strategy (Governor's Office)

- 1999 Governor Locke Developed
- 2006 Governor Gregoire Status Update
- 2021 Governor Inslee Update and Modernized

## State Salmon Recovery Act (RCW 77.85)





Established by RCW 77.85.050



Local, watershed-based restoration organization

e.g.– Tribe, Non-profit, County or Conservation District



Solicit, develop, prioritize and submit **habitat protection and restoration projects** to the SRFB for funding

**26 Lead Entities Statewide**

## State Coordination: Governor's Salmon Recovery Office

### 7 regional organizations

- Local recovery plans adopted by NOAA
- Coordinate implementation of recovery plans

### 26 Lead Entities

- Citizen and technical committees that develop and vet projects



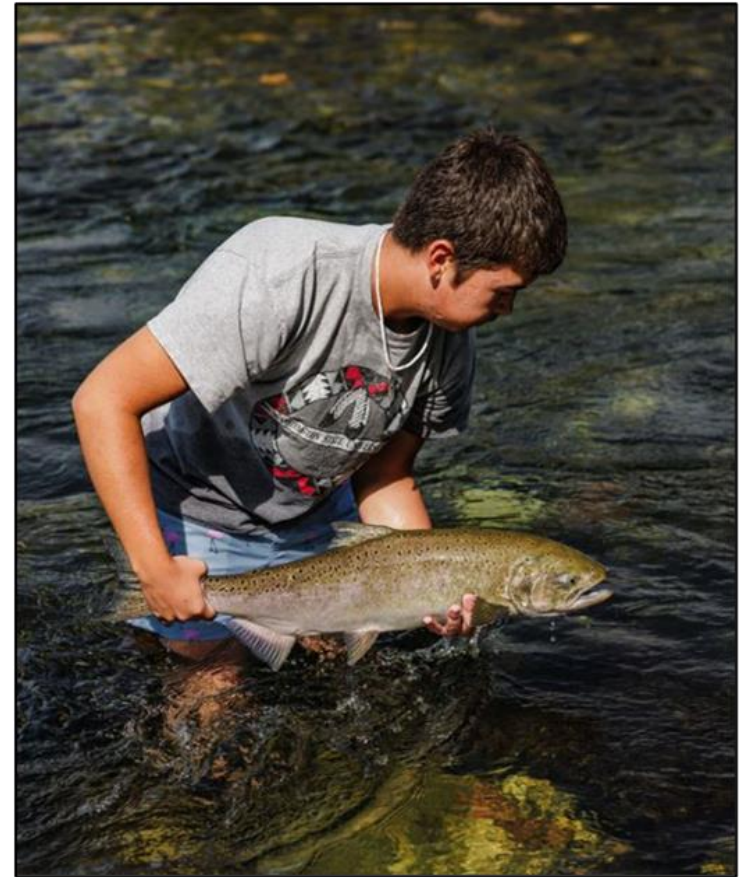
Develop a **habitat restoration strategy and implement habitat projects** that support salmon reintroduction and preservation of native redband trout in the Spokane River Watershed



## Focal Species

**non-ESA** listed spring and summer/fall Chinook  
native Redband Trout (ancestrally linked to extant Steelhead)

- **Lead Entity Coordinator**
  - Spokane Tribe of Indians
- **Technical Committee**
  - Established Spring 2022
- **Citizens Committee**



## Technical Committee

- Comprised of local, technical experts
- Knowledgeable about local watershed, habitat, and fish conditions
- Guide development of habitat restoration plan
- Provide expertise on priorities and habitat projects
- Rate habitat projects on technical merit

## Actions to Date

- Formed Spring 2022
- RFP Development and Selection of Cramer Fisheries to Conduct Data Gap Analysis and EDT Modeling
- Oversight and Input into EDT Sampling Plan and Data Collection
- Intern Job Description
- Sharing Related Habitat Projects and Receiving SSRC Support Letters

## Citizens Committee

- Comprised of local residents; representatives of local, state, federal, and tribal governments; community groups, environmental and fisheries groups; conservation districts; and industries
- Ensure priorities and projects have community support
- Review and approve **habitat project list** based on community values
- Submit list to SRFB for funding

## Formation Steps

- Each Initiating Government Selects Representative
- **Convene Initiating Governments**
- Initiating Governments Select & Invite Committee Membership
- Create Charter/By-Laws



# Questions?

