10 PRINCIPLES

Salmon-Safe Developer Accreditation

for developing ecologically functional urban landscapes

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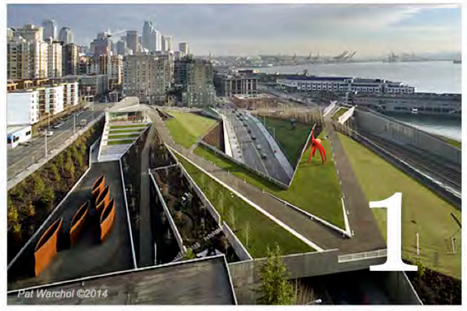


Seattle Art Museum Olympic Sculpture Park Salmon-Safe Certified 2010

CONNECT TO WATERSHED CONTEXT

Every project and property is part of something bigger. Know your watershed. Many watersheds have specific restoration or recovery plans defineing strategies that can benefit important species. Incorporate these strategies into your development planning decisions.

UW Bothell Re-certified Salmon-Safe 2013

INTEGRATE HABITATS

Restore degraded habitat based on pre-development native species and ecosystems as well as future need for climate change adaptations. Habitat diversity can make project sites more resilient and adaptable. A site can support larger natural systems through corridor linkages.

Pringle Creek Community Certified Salmon-Safe 2014.

START WITH SITE ECOLOGY

Approach landscape ecological systems as site infrastructure and incorporate them early in the design process. Habitat can be retained, reestablished, or both, as part of site development. Design your site to avoid impacting wetlands, streams, riparian areas, and wildlife habitat.

Turner Construction Salmon-Safe accredited 2010.

PROTECTING HABITAT AND WATER QUALITY DURING CONSTRUCTION

Implement construction site pollutant control and runoff protection measures that achieve zero sediment discharge. Protect and salvage healthy native soils, vegetation, and habitat structures

OMSI Salmon-Safe Re-certified 2013

MANAGE WATER AT THE SOURCE

Disperse and infiltrate stormwater on site through Low Impact Development (LID) approaches to reduce pollution and downstream impacts. Design site to reduce stormwater runoff by minimizing impervious rooftop areas and reduced roadway widths and pervious road systems.

Nike World Campus Salmon-Safe Re-Certified 2012

DESIGN FOR THE LAND

Consider each part of the project, including buildings, open space, parking, stormwater retention features, as contributing components of the greater hydrology and ecology. Structure and buildings can also positively contribute to natural system performance.

PCC Natural Markets Edmonds Salmon-Safe certified 2011

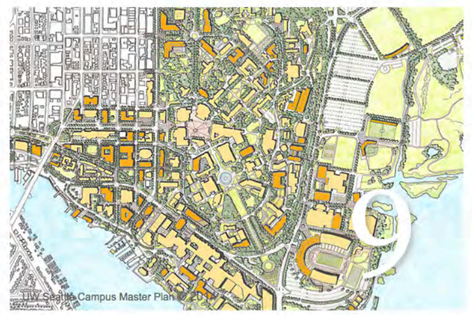
WATER CONSERVATION IS A PRIORITY

Limit water demand by selecting native and non-native vegetation adapted to site conditions and climate. Install rainwater harvest systems to further balance water budgets.

WSU Mill Creek Restoration

CARING FOR LAND OVER TIME

Encourage consistent post-development land management practices by embedding riparian restoration, irrigation management, and integrated pest management practices into site management guidelines, policies, or project legal documents.



University of Washington Salmon-Safe certified 2011.

CLEAN WATER FOR SALMON

Manage projects with an ongoing commitment to low input landscaping, habitat restoration that filters contaminants, and low-impact (LID) designs in future development phases.

zHome Salmon-Safe certified 2011

DESIGN LEARNING LANDSCAPES

Development presents opportunities for interpretive signage and/or demonstration projects highlighting features that contribute to an ecologically functional urban landscape.

Since 2004, Salmon-Safe has successfully defined and promoted ecologically sustainable site design, construction, and operations management practices that help restore urban watersheds. Building on our flagship urban certification program and our new accreditation program for construction-phase pollution prevention, Salmon-Safe accreditation for developers is the nation's first independent accreditation program to recognize development professionals' excellence in water quality protection and habitat conservation practices across all of their operations.

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