



A Utility Partner for

# WATER EDUCATION



The City of Kirkland Surface Water Division of Public Works offers several fun and exciting classroom presentations in local schools to help students explore the fascinating world of water. All presentations are tailored to our region and are offered free of charge. An experienced naturalist from Nature Vision, Inc., a company that spawned from the King County Nature Connection program, will conduct each class. This program was the recipient of the Environmental Education Association of Washington's Award of Excellence.

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**FREE**  
to your  
classroom

***"The in-class presentation was excellent. It was just the right amount of "teacher-talk", interactive communication and activities. It was fast-paced and the kids were totally engaged."***

*-Teacher from Juanita Elementary School*

***"I really enjoyed both presentations we had this year. They tied in beautifully as the introductions to the science units we had planned. I especially enjoyed the fact that the kids were out using our own wetland area behind our school to examine the trees and wetland facets."***

*- Teacher from Peter Kirk Elementary School*

***"The Nature Vision class went extremely well. The students learned so much about the environment around us, and actually started to take care of the environment by asking parents to recycle and planning a neighborhood clean up day."***

*-Teacher from Enumclaw Schools*



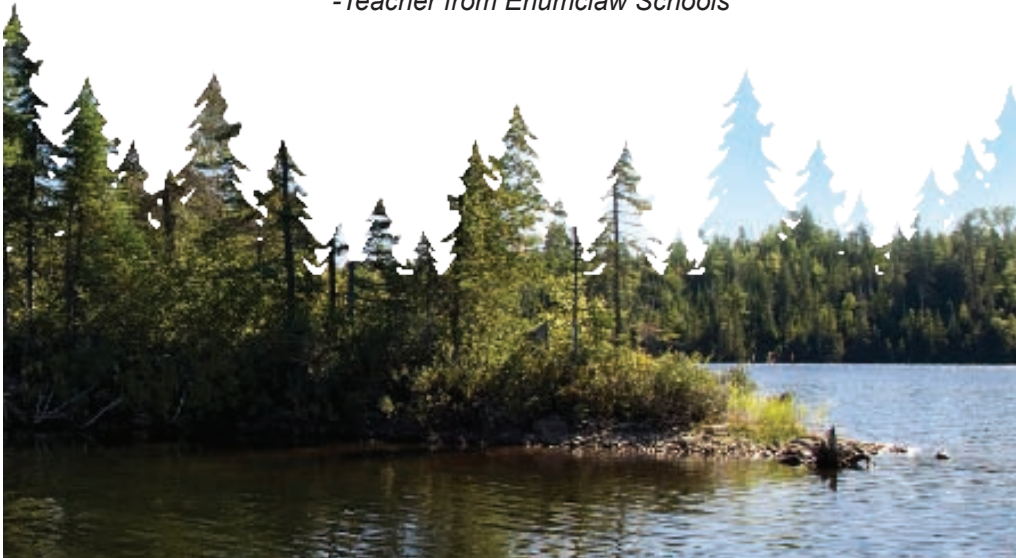
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# PROGRAMS OFFERED



## Salmon Cycle (Grades 6-9)

Discover the connection between salmon, people, and the water we share. Students will explore water quality issues and why healthy salmon habitat is good for people too.

## Wetland Filters

Wetlands clean our water like our kidneys clean our blood. Students will participate in a demonstration of how wetlands keep our water clean.



## Learn About Watersheds (Grades 6-9)

Students will learn what a watershed is, what watershed they live in, and explore how the choices we make in everyday life affect watershed health.

## Stream Ecology (Grades 6-9)

A sparkling, crystal-blue stream may not be a healthy stream. Learn why healthy streams must have healthy bug populations - the base of the stream food chain.



## Stream/ Pond Dipping

Students will use the scientific method to assess the health of a local stream or pond by looking for aquatic bugs, which are water quality indicator species, and discussing watershed health.



## Watershed Connection Field Trip (Grades 6-9)

This one-hour field trip is held on a separate day from the Learn About Watersheds presentation. Join a naturalist to explore Juanita Bay, where Forbes Creek meets Lake Washington. Field site is Juanita Bay Park.

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## Get Started!

To schedule a program, please contact Nature Vision at [info@naturevision.org](mailto:info@naturevision.org) or call (425) 836-2697

If you have any questions regarding programs or other services offered, please contact your Kirkland Surface Water Utility representative, **Betsy Adams**, at (425) 587-3858.

## Additional Resources

[PugetSoundStartsHere.org](http://PugetSoundStartsHere.org)  
Learn about how you can help heal Puget Sound.

[KingCounty.gov/Salmon](http://KingCounty.gov/Salmon)  
Find additional salmon information online.

**Betsy Adams** - City of Kirkland  
Contact Betsy for environmental community service and stewardship opportunities.  
(425) 587-3858 or [badams@ci.kirkland.wa.us](mailto:badams@ci.kirkland.wa.us).

