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Future of Work: What lies ahead?

The Future of Work poses pressing questions for Washington's workforce, employers, and our state. As automation increases, will there be enough jobs? How will workers fare as they turn to short-term, "gig economy" jobs, without the safety net of health insurance and retirement plans.

Or, looking on the bright side, how can we put technology to work for us? How will robots equipped with artificial intelligence reduce tedious, repetitive work so we can focus on our passions, and possibly shrink the work week as we know it?

Washington in the spotlight

These questions, and others, are the focus of a first-of-its kind Future of Work project funded by the 2018 Legislature and [signed into law by Governor Inslee](#). We are on the cusp of exciting new prospects for our diverse workforce as we embrace future work opportunities for all Washingtonians. This project puts Washington in the spotlight as a thought leader. The framework used to answer these questions is also trailblazing: How can Washington's workforce and employers prosper together?

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How this project started, and where it's headed

In April 2018, Washington's Legislature established the Future of Work Task Force. Made up of legislators, business and labor leaders, the [16-member Task Force](#) was charged with developing a set of policy recommendations that help Washington businesses and workers prosper together.

Open meetings allow for more stakeholder input

The Future of Work Task Force will use an open meeting process that allows for a wide range of interested stakeholders to participate in task force learning, discussions, planning and policy development. The Task Force will also be required to establish a set of success indicators and a measurement tracking system to go along with policy recommendations.

Two staffers hired to oversee policy and research

The Workforce Board hired two staff to oversee the Future of Work Project. They will help the Task Force better understand the challenges of "future proofing" our workforce as technology advances and more fully explore the intersection of business and work. Project staff will also help the Task Force prioritize potential policy items to explore more deeply.

[Read more about our Future of Work Project Staff.](#)

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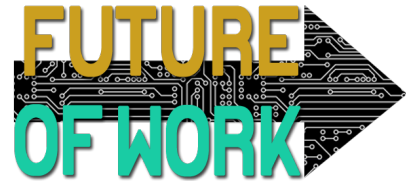
[Future of Work Research and Resources](#)

In 2018, TVW filmed the October 29 & December 17 Future of Work Task Force meetings. Take a look!

October 29 at Highline College
[Part 1: Morning session](#) (video)

[Part 2: Afternoon session](#) (video)

December 17 at the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges
[Complete session](#) (video)



Workforce Board Executive Director Eleni Papadakis is interviewed in September 2018 about the Future of Work by TVW reporter Dave Martinson.

[Watch the video!](#) (5 minutes)

How can business and labor navigate changes as technology moves forward, impacting jobs, skills, and wages.



Habitat and Recreation Lands Coordinating Group

In 2007, the Washington State Legislature [created](#) the Habitat and Recreation Lands Coordinating Group to improve the visibility and coordination of state habitat and recreation land purchases and disposals.

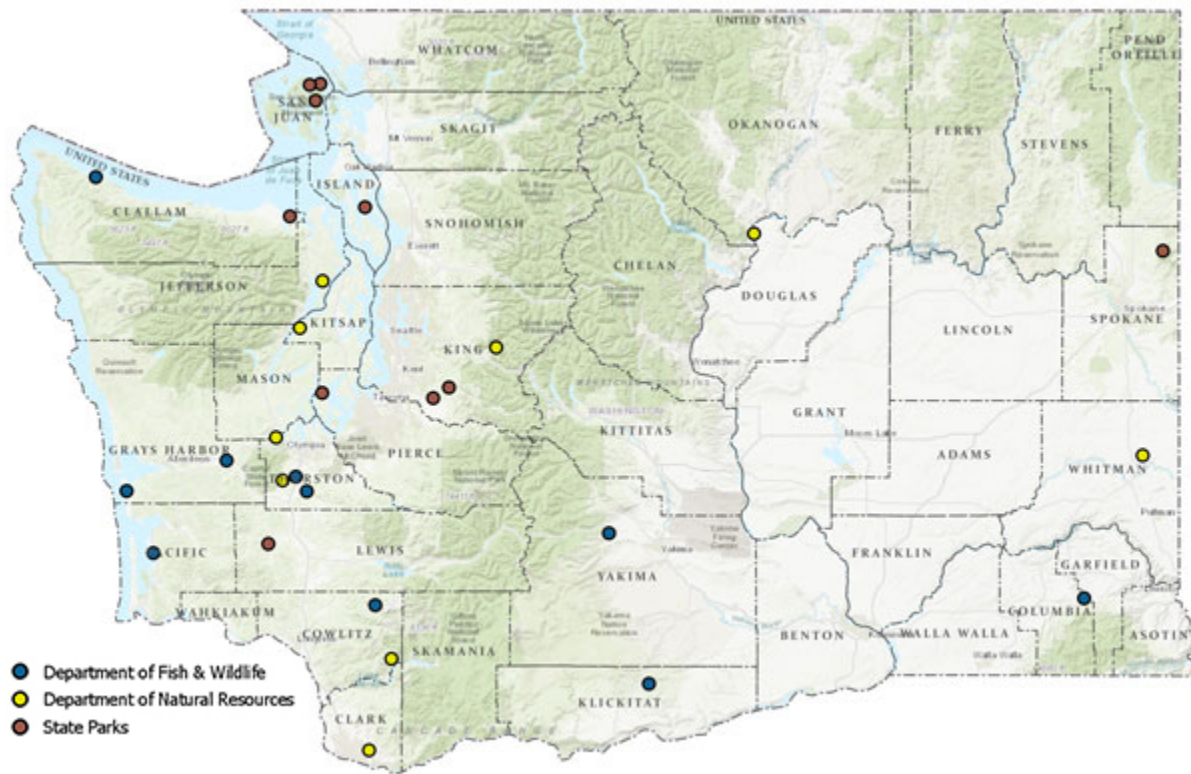
Since then, the lands group has established a process for making state habitat and recreation land purchases and disposals more visible and coordinated.

- The [Annual State Land Acquisition Coordinating Forum](#) brings together state agencies, local governments, non-government organizations, landowners, tribes, and citizens to learn about and share ideas on proposals for state habitat and recreation land purchases and disposals.
- The [Biennial State Land Acquisition Forecast Report](#) gives information about the state land purchases and disposals that are being planned around the state.
- The [Biennial State Land Acquisition Performance Monitoring Report](#) shows whether state agencies achieved their initial acquisition project objectives.

[Lands group members](#) include representatives of state and local governments, private landowners, and conservation organizations. The Recreation and Conservation Office provides staff support.

The lands group [meets quarterly](#), and is scheduled to sunset on July 31, 2027.

Proposed State Habitat and Recreation Land Acquisitions 2019-2021



[Strategy for State Recreation and Conservation Land Acquisition and Development](#)

FINAL BILL REPORT

ESSB 5385

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Creating the Washington invasive species council.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen, Oke, Fraser, Swecker and Kline).

Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

Senate Committee on Ways & Means

House Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks

House Committee on Appropriations

Background: Invasive species are defined by state statute as a "plant species or a nonnative animal species that either: (1) Causes or may cause displacement of, or otherwise threatens, native species in their natural communities; (2) Threatens or may threaten natural resources or their use in the state; (3) Causes or may cause economic damage to commercial or recreational activities that are dependent upon state waters; or (4) Threatens or harms human health."

Invasive species pose a serious threat to Washington State. This threat has increased with improvements in travel technology and increased travel in recent years. Once nonnative species become established in a new environment, the conditions that kept their population in check in their native environment may be missing.

Spartina, a cordgrass which has infested at least ten counties and limits the food available to shorebirds and fish, is an example of an invasive species that has impacted the state. Additional examples include purple loosestrife, milfoil, scot's broom, knapweeds, and cheat grass.

Summary: The Washington Invasive Species Council is created in the Interagency for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) to provide policy direction, planning, and coordination for combating and preventing harmful invasive species in the state. The Council is scheduled to exist until December 31, 2011. The membership of the Council includes representatives from six state entities and two counties. Representatives from four federal agencies must be invited to participate in a nonvoting capacity. The Council may expand its membership and may establish advisory and technical committees.

The Council must develop and periodically update a statewide strategic plan for addressing invasive species issues, including agency coordination and the prevention, detection, and response to invasive species. The Council must also report its activities annually to the Governor and the Legislature.

A non-appropriated account is created, expenditures from which must be used to carry out the purposes of the Council.

Invasive species, for purposes of this bill, are defined as "nonnative organisms that cause economic or environmental harm and are capable of spreading to new areas of the state." This term does not include domestic livestock, intentionally planted agronomic crops, or nonharmful exotic organisms.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	34	8	
House	90	7	(House amended)
Senate	37	5	(Senate concurred)

Effective: June 7, 2006



About the Council

Enabling Legislation

- [2006 Legislation](#)
- [Bill Summary](#)

Established by the legislature in 2006 and then extended until 2022, the council was tasked with providing policy level direction, planning, and coordination for combating harmful invasive species throughout the state and preventing the introduction of others that may be potentially harmful.

[Printable fact sheet about the council.](#)

Vision Statement

Sustain Washington's human, plant, and animal communities and our thriving economy by preventing the introduction and spread of harmful invasive species.



Mission Statement

Read More

The [Recreation and Conservation Office](#) provides support to the Invasive Species Council.

The council provides policy level direction, planning, and coordination that will:

- Empower those engaged in the prevention, detection, and eradication of invasive species.
- Include a strategic plan designed to build upon local, state, and regional efforts, while serving as a forum for invasive species education and communication.

2015-2017 Budget

Operations - \$227,290

[Outreach and Educational Materials Available](#)

RECOVERY OF SOUTHERN RESIDENT ORCAS

A SPECIES IN CRISIS

Puget Sound's southern resident orcas became the focus of international attention in 2018, when their plummeting numbers and critical situation culminated in the death of a newborn calf whose mother grieved over the body for an unprecedented 17 days and 1000 miles. The southern resident orcas have declined to a 30-year low of just 74 animals, following the death of seven individuals in 2017 and, more recently, the death of Scarlet (J50) in September 2018. This alarming decline signals that the southern resident population is in severe jeopardy and at risk of extinction if no action is taken.

The primary factors threatening orcas in Puget Sound are: not enough prey, specifically Chinook salmon; toxic contaminants in the water and their food; and disturbance from noise and vessel traffic.

PARTNERSHIP STAFF RESPONDS TO GOVERNOR INSLEE'S CALL FOR ACTION

In March 2018, Governor Inslee issued an executive order

(https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/exe_order/eo_18-02_1.pdf) requiring state agencies to take immediate action to protect the remaining orca. His order

HOW TO STAY INVOLVED

See Governor's Orca Recovery Task Force working group schedules and agendas

(<https://www.governor.wa.gov/issues/issues/energy-environment/southern-resident-killer-whale-recovery-and-task-force>)

Get email updates from the task force

(https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WAPSP/subscriber/newqsp=WAPSP_1+)

Send comments to the task force

(<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/srkwtfpubliccomment>)

Orca Task Force Boating Guidelines
(<https://pspwa.box.com/v/orca-task-force-boating-guide>) (released 8.17.18)



(<https://pspwa.box.com/v/orca-task-force-boating-guide>)

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established the Southern Resident Orca Task Force to recommend the best actions to recover the southern residents. His order directs the Puget Sound Partnership and the Department of Fish and Wildlife to convene and support the Task Force.

In this role, Partnership staff:

- Serve on the Task Force steering committee;
- Chair the Vessels Working Group of the Task Force; and
- Coordinate communication across state and federal agencies and to the public.

In addition, the Governor appointed the vice chair of the Leadership Council, Stephanie Solien, to serve as co-chair of the Task Force, alongside former Evergreen State College President, Les Purce. Sheida Sahandy, the Partnership's Executive Director, was appointed as a Task Force member.

ORCAS MATTER FOR A HEALTHY PUGET SOUND

Catching sight of an orca while riding a ferry or visiting a state park is always a memorable event. During the summer months, southern resident orcas are found in the inland marine waters of Washington and southern British Columbia hunting Chinook salmon and other fish species. Healthy orcas represent a healthy ecosystem because they occupy an important niche at the top of the food web. The thrill of seeing an orca in the wild supports a multi-million dollar whale-watching industry, which supports a healthy local economy.

SOUTHERN RESIDENT ORCAS PREFER SALMON

Year-round, southern resident orcas depend heavily on Chinook salmon for food. Chinook salmon are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act and many of the remaining populations are far below federal recovery goals.

The Puget Sound Partnership's Leadership Council is the designated regional salmon recovery organization for Puget Sound and is advised by the Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council, both boards are supported by the Partnership. Since 2007, the Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration (PSAR) program has provided more than \$200 M to recover salmon habitat by restoring more than 3,000 acres of estuarine habitat, protecting over 10,000 acres of land, and opening almost 80 miles of stream for fish passage.

The Puget Sound Partnership works across Puget Sound to plan, fund, and implement recovery actions by:

- Collaborating with federal, tribal, state, and local partners to develop recovery plans as part of the Action Agenda for Puget Sound.

- Supporting local lead entities and project sponsors in advancing priority recovery actions.
- Managing the Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration (PSAR) fund.
- Evaluating what's working to restore salmon populations to prioritize the most effective actions for restoration.

SOUTHERN RESIDENT ORCAS NEED CLEAN WATER

Orcas living off the coast of Seattle, Tacoma, and other urban areas are exposed to polluted runoff from roads, rooftops, and buildings. These toxic contaminants accumulate in orcas and can make them sick or vulnerable to disease.

The Partnership tracks these harmful contaminants as part of the Toxics in Fish Vital Sign (http://www.psp.wa.gov/vitalsigns/toxics_in_fish.php) and works with regional partners to develop a recovery plan, called an Implementation Strategy, that outlines recommendations on the most effective approaches to reduce toxic pollution in Puget Sound. This group also provides technical support to the Southern Resident Orca Task Force.

NOISY WATERS THREATEN ORCAS

Orcas emit sounds and listen for their echoes reflected back to them from underwater objects. Echolocation helps them find salmon and communicate with one another. Underwater noise from boat and ship traffic makes it difficult for them to hear their own echoes and capture their food.

From 2012-2015, the Partnership convened the Vessel Traffic Risk Assessment Steering Committee to promote safe maritime transport and reduce the risks associated with oil spills. Findings from this group now support the Vessels Working Group of the Orca Task Force to identify key actions to protect orcas from vessel traffic and underwater noise. Their recommendations were shared with the Puget Sound boating community as a factsheet (<https://pspwa.box.com/v/orca-task-force-boating-guide>).

Chapter 90.71 RCW

PUGET SOUND WATER QUALITY PROTECTION

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90.71.904	Transfer of powers, duties, and functions—References to chair of the Puget Sound action team.

Puget Sound Partnership - Current Law

RCW 90.71

[View Description](#)

The Puget Sound Partnership (Partnership) leads a collaborative effort to protect and recover Puget Sound by developing and guiding implementation of the Puget Sound Action Agenda. The Partnership is mandated to: (1) set science-based priorities for restoring and protecting Puget Sound; (2) support partners to implement priority actions; and (3) ensure accountability for results through shared measures and effectiveness monitoring. The Partnership works closely with hundreds of partners involved in the work, including statutory boards, state and federal agencies, tribes, local governments, citizen groups, businesses and non-governmental organizations. The Partnership provides support to advance Action Agenda implementation and assist partners in fulfilling their obligations. Activities include: strategic leadership and coordination, Puget Sound salmon recovery, science, funding strategies, policy and legislation, monitoring and performance management.

Agency Mission

Accelerate and advance the collective efforts to recover Puget Sound.

Request	20,485,000
Net change from current biennium	2,425,000 Increase
Percent change from current biennium	13.4% Increase

Operating Budget: Summary

Appropriated Funds

2017-19 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance		2015-17 Actual	2017-19 Estimated	2019-21 Proposed
10,334,000		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal	9,637,259	10,334,000	12,716,000

2017-19 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance		2015-17 Actual	2017-19 Estimated	2019-21 Proposed
5,309,000		General Fund - Basic Account - State	4,698,000	5,309,000	5,299,000
1,419,000		Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account - State	2,121,000	1,419,000	1,441,000
721,000		State Toxics Control Account - State	707,000	721,000	753,000
277,000		Pension Funding Stabilization Acct - State		277,000	276,000
18,060,000		Total Appropriated Funds	17,163,259	18,060,000	20,485,000

Non-Appropriated Funds

2017-19 Non-Appropriated Funds			Expenditures		
Amount	Balance	Non-Appropriated Funds	2015-17 Actual	2017-19 Estimated	2019-21 Proposed
		Industrial Insurance Premium Refund - Nonappropriated	8,846		
		Total Non-Appropriated Funds	8,846		

Capital Budget: Summary

Appropriated Funds		Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance	Actual	Estimated	Proposed

Amount	Estimated Balance	Appropriated Funds		Expenditures		
		Actual	Estimated	Estimated	Proposed	
		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal				
Total Appropriated Funds						

Operating Budget: Program Summary

Program Title	Actual		Estimated		Proposed	
	Actual	Estimated	Estimated	Proposed	Proposed	
Annual Total	8,050,930	7,431,948	2,745,491	11,616,000	8,869,000	

Operating Budget: Change from Preceding Biennium

Actual		Estimated		Proposed	
Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
(4,467,577)	(20.6%)	(6,994,666)	(40.7%)	10,307,561	101.3%

Employment Summary

	Actual		Estimated		Proposed	
	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Estimated	2018-19 Estimated	2019-20 Proposed	2020-21 Proposed	
FTE Staff Years	36.6	38.0	40.9	38.1	36.6	

ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP

ABOUT THE PUGET SOUND PARTNERSHIP ([puget-sound-partnership.php](#))

[PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS \(programs.php\)](#)

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The Puget Sound Partnership is the state agency leading the region's collective effort to restore and protect Puget Sound. The Puget Sound Partnership brings together hundreds of partners to mobilize partner action around a common agenda, advance Sound investments, and advance priority actions by supporting partners.

VISION

Vibrant, enduring natural systems and communities

MISSION

Accelerate the collective effort to recover and sustain the Puget Sound

OUR ROLES

The Partnership created and now manages the infrastructure needed to enable and encourage partners to come together to develop and implement priority actions needed to accelerate ecosystem recovery.

ALIGN THE WORK OF PARTNERS around a shared vision and strategy, the Puget Sound Action Agenda. We steward the effort to collaboratively build the Action Agenda so that recovery resources can be efficiently allocated based on a science-driven, prioritized system. We ensure decisionmakers are well-informed and have the information they need to advance these priorities.

ENSURE SMART INVESTMENTS through a shared, science-based system of measurement and monitoring that promotes accountability, effectiveness, and progress. This helps inform decisions about the most efficient and effective ways to allocate future investments.

SUPPORT PRIORITY ACTIONS by advancing policy and mobilizing funding needed for local and regional partners to succeed in achieving Puget Sound recovery goals. We strive to remove financial, regulatory, and resource barriers for our partners by directing outside resources toward priority actions, improving the policy and regulatory environment, and working as a catalyst within the system to get the job done.

6 RECOVERY GOALS

The Washington State Legislature identified six ecosystem recovery goals for creating a resilient Puget Sound:

- **Healthy Human Population**—A healthy population supported by a healthy Puget Sound that is not threatened by changes in the ecosystem.
- **Vibrant Quality of Life**—A quality of human life that is sustained by a functioning Puget Sound ecosystem.
- **Thriving Species and Food Web**—Healthy and sustaining populations of native species in Puget Sound, including a robust food web.

- **Protect and Restored Habitat**—A healthy Puget Sound where freshwater, estuary, nearshore, marine, and upland habitats are protected, restored, and sustained.
- **Abundant Water Quantity**—An ecosystem that is supported by good groundwater levels as well as river and stream flows sufficient to sustain people, fish, wildlife, and the natural functions of the environment.
- **Healthy Water Quality**—Fresh and marine waters and sediments of a sufficient quality to support water that is safe for drinking, swimming, and other human uses and enjoyment, and which are not harmful to the native marine mammals, fish, birds, and shellfish in the region.

FUNDING

The Puget Sound Partnership receives the bulk of its funding from federal Puget Sound National Estuary Program dollars. For the 2015-17 biennium, the Partnership has a budget of \$18.8 million, including \$9.9 million from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, \$7.5 million from the State of Washington, and \$1.4 million from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The greater Puget Sound ecosystem recovery effort is funded in number of ways, including local, state, tribal and federal government funding. Nonprofits, businesses, and foundations also make significant investments. The cost to implement the 2014-16 Action Agenda is estimated at \$875 million.

[Puget Sound Action Agenda \(action_agenda_center.php\)](#) | [Action Agenda Report Card \(evaluating-about-report-card.php\)](#)

RCW 43.70.445

Suicide-safer homes task force—Suicide awareness and prevention. (Expires July 1, 2020.)

*** CHANGE IN 2019 *** (SEE 1109-S.SL) ***

(1)(a) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, a suicide-safer homes task force is established to raise public awareness and increase suicide prevention education among new partners who are in key positions to help reduce suicide. The task force shall be administered and staffed by the University of Washington school of social work. To the extent possible, the task force membership should include representatives from geographically diverse and priority populations, including tribal populations.

(b) The suicide-safer homes task force comprises a suicide prevention and firearms subcommittee and a suicide prevention and health care subcommittee, as follows:

(i) The suicide prevention and firearms subcommittee shall consist of the following members and be cochaired by the University of Washington school of social work and a member identified in (b)(i)(A) of this subsection (1):

(A) A representative of the national rifle association and a representative of the second amendment foundation;

(B) Two representatives of suicide prevention organizations, selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee;

(C) Two representatives of the firearms industry, selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee;

(D) Two individuals who are suicide attempt survivors or who have experienced suicide loss, selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee;

(E) Two representatives of law enforcement agencies, selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee;

(F) One representative from the department of health;

(G) One representative from the department of veterans affairs, and one other individual representing veterans to be selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee; and

(H) No more than two other interested parties, selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee.

(ii) The suicide prevention and health care subcommittee shall consist of the following members and be cochaired by the University of Washington school of social work and a member identified in (b)(ii)(A) of this subsection (1):

(A) Two representatives of the Washington state pharmacy association;

(B) Two representatives of retailers who operate pharmacies, selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee;

(C) One faculty member from the University of Washington school of pharmacy and one faculty member from the Washington State University school of pharmacy;

(D) One representative of the department of health;

(E) One representative of the pharmacy quality assurance commission;

(F) Two representatives of the Washington state poison control center;

(G) One representative of the department of veterans affairs, and one other individual representing veterans to be selected by the cochaIRS of the subcommittee;

(H) Three members representing health care professionals providing suicide prevention training in the state, selected by the cochairs of the subcommittee; and

(I) No more than two other interested parties, selected by the cochairs of the subcommittee.

(c) The University of Washington school of social work shall convene the initial meeting of the task force.

(2) The task force shall:

(a) Develop and prepare to disseminate online trainings on suicide awareness and prevention for firearms dealers and their employees and firearm range owners and their employees;

(b) In consultation with the department of fish and wildlife, review the firearm safety pamphlet produced by the department of fish and wildlife under RCW **9.41.310** and, by January 1, 2017, recommend changes to the pamphlet to incorporate information on suicide awareness and prevention;

(c) Develop and approve suicide awareness and prevention messages for posters and brochures that are tailored to be effective for firearms owners for distribution to firearms dealers and firearms ranges;

(d) Develop suicide awareness and prevention messages for posters and brochures for distribution to pharmacies;

(e) In consultation with the department of fish and wildlife, develop strategies for creating and disseminating suicide awareness and prevention information for hunting safety classes, including messages to parents that can be shared during online registration, in either follow-up email communications, or in writing, or both;

(f) Develop suicide awareness and prevention messages for training for the schools of pharmacy and provide input on trainings being developed for community pharmacists;

(g) Create a web site that will be a clearinghouse for the newly created suicide awareness and prevention materials developed by the task force;

(h) Conduct a survey of firearms dealers and firearms ranges in the state to determine the types and amounts of incentives that would be effective in encouraging those entities to participate in suicide-safer homes projects;

(i) Gather input on collateral educational materials that will help health care professionals in suicide prevention work; and

(j) Create, implement, and evaluate a suicide awareness and prevention pilot program in two counties, one rural and one urban, that have high suicide rates. The pilot program shall include:

(i) Developing and directing advocacy efforts with firearms dealers to pair suicide awareness and prevention training with distribution of safe storage devices;

(ii) Developing and directing advocacy efforts with pharmacies to pair suicide awareness and prevention training with distribution of medication disposal kits and safe storage devices;

(iii) Training health care providers on suicide awareness and prevention, paired with distribution of medication disposal kits and safe storage devices; and

(iv) Training local law enforcement officers on suicide awareness and prevention, paired with distribution of medication disposal kits and safe storage devices.

(3) The task force shall, in consultation with the department of health, develop and prioritize a list of projects to carry out the task force's purposes and submit the prioritized list to

the department of health for funding from the suicide-safer homes project account created in RCW **43.70.446**.

(4) Beginning December 1, 2016, the task force shall annually report to the legislature on the status of its work. The task force shall submit a final report by December 1, 2019, that includes the findings of the suicide awareness and prevention pilot program evaluation under subsection (2) of this section and recommendations on possible continuation of the program. The task force shall submit its reports in accordance with RCW **43.01.036**.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2020.

[**2017 c 262 § 2; 2016 c 90 § 2.**]

NOTES:

Findings—Intent—2017 c 262: See note following RCW **43.70.442**.

Findings—2016 c 90: See note following RCW **43.70.442**.



Washington Child Care Collaborative Task Force



The Child Care Collaborative Task Force (CCCTF) was created by the Washington State Legislature in 2018 ([SHB 2367](#)) to develop policies and recommendations to incentivize employer-supported child care and improve child care access and affordability for employees. Employer supported child care is defined as a licensed child care center operated at or near the workplace by an employer for the benefit of employees or financial assistance provided by an employer for an employee’s licensed child care expenses.

The CCTF must report recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by Nov. 1, 2019. The report must include findings related to:





Department of Commerce

- Three representatives from the child care industry. At least one of the child care industry representatives must be a provider from a rural community. The three representatives must include: One licensed child day care center provider; one licensed family day care provider; and one representative of family, friend, and neighbor child care providers;

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- Two representatives of economic development organizations; one located east of the crest of the Cascade mountains, and one located west of the crest of the Cascade mountains;
- Two representatives of advocacy organizations representing parents, early learning, foster care youth, and expanded learning opportunity interests;
- One representative from an association representing statewide transit interests;
- One representative of an institution of higher education; and
- One representative of a nonprofit organization providing training and professional development for family day care providers and family, friend, and neighbor child care providers.

[For a current list of task force members, click here.](#)



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