

# ISLAND COUNTY MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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## Project Updates for June 2, 2020 Meeting

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### **NWSC Grant Reports**

**Kelp Monitoring (Liss/Berthold):** Update at meeting.

**Seining (Tautvydas):** Cornet Bay seining is on hold till next year. Jason Morgan has submitted a couple of proposals for funding seining at Cornet Bay for 2021-2022.

### **Other Reports**

**Shoreline Restoration and Armor Removal (Toledo):** Island County is developing the details of a Shore Friendly mini-grant program which will provide mini-grants to shoreline homeowners to take actions to remove hard armoring or prevent the installation of new hard armoring (including native vegetation, drainage improvements, soft shore protection, and moving/raising houses). Mini-grant amounts will range from \$500-\$5,000, and are not designed to cover the entire cost of a project, but to provide some financial incentive to help a shoreline homeowner take actions that benefit habitat as well as protect the property.

Island County is also partnering with the Northwest Straits Foundation on complementary Shore Friendly work. NWSF is planning on a Shore Friendly workshop for county planners this summer, and developing a video series on Shore Friendly actions.

**Sound Water Stewards (Chase):** Update at meeting.

**WSU Extension:** Update at meeting.