

Program Development & Accomplishment Timeline

1992 - 1999	2000 - 2004	2005 - 2009	2010 - 2014	2015 - 2019
<p>1992: Joint Resolution adopted to establish common goals for Lake Whatcom watershed</p> <p>1992: City stormwater capital improvement program began</p> <p>1993: Sudden Valley Community Association began density reduction program to remove 1,400 potential dwelling units</p> <p>1998: Lake Whatcom Management Program (LWMP) established by Interlocal Agreement</p> <p>1998: Lake Whatcom placed on Washington's list of polluted water bodies due to low dissolved oxygen levels; Tributary creeks listed for high bacteria levels; Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) process began.</p> <p>1999: County Water Resource Protection Overlay District and Stormwater Special District established</p> <p>1999: LWMP 1999 Work Plan adopted</p>	<p>2000: LWMP 2000-2004 Work Plan adopted</p> <p>2000: City stormwater capital improvement program expands to address phosphorus</p> <p>2000: Interjurisdictional Coordinating Team (ICT) created to coordinate activities and programs between jurisdictions</p> <p>2001: City adopted first land use regulations for new development on properties that drain to Basin 1 (Lake Whatcom Reservoir Regulatory Chapter [BMC 16.80])</p> <p>2001: City stormwater utility established; provided funding for Lake Whatcom protection</p> <p>2001: City Lake Whatcom Property Acquisition Program began</p> <p>2001: Watershed Advisory Board established</p> <p>2002: County rezone reduced 1,800 potential dwelling units</p>	<p>2005: LWMP 2005-2009 Work Plan adopted</p> <p>2005: City and county passed phosphorus fertilizer ban</p> <p>2005: City and county banned boats with carbureted 2-stroke engines</p> <p>2006: County stormwater capital improvement program with focus on phosphorus treatment began</p> <p>2008: Lake Whatcom Policy Group formed</p> <p>2008: City Residential Stormwater Retrofit Program began</p> <p>2009: City amended the Lake Whatcom Reservoir Regulatory Chapter</p>	<p>2010: LWMP 2010-2014 Work Plan adopted</p> <p>2011: Homeowner Incentive Program launched</p> <p>2012: Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program began</p> <p>2013: County amended Title 20 to create the Lake Whatcom Watershed Overlay District to reduce impacts from development and land use activities</p> <p>2014: Sudden Valley Community Association joined Policy Group</p> <p>2014: Department of Natural Resources (DNR) finalized reconveyance of 7,800 acres in the watershed to Whatcom County Parks</p>	<p>2015: LWMP 2015-2019 Work Plan adopted</p> <p>2016: Lake Whatcom TMDL for phosphorus and fecal coliform approved by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)</p> <p>2016: New phosphorus loading model developed</p> <p>2017: Homeowner Incentive Program revised and expanded</p> <p>2019: Began update of lake response model</p> <p>2019: County Lake Whatcom stormwater utility established to provide funding for Lake Whatcom protection</p> <p>2019: City and county National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Stormwater Permits issued (TMDL response requirements included in the new permit)</p>