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Surface Conditions Report, January 8, 2016

Warm air at the coast and at altitude

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Up-to-date observations of visible water quality conditions in Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca

What you will find:

January air temperatures and precipitation were above normal as El Nino conditions prevail. This winter our snowpack is in much better shape, though we've lost some snow from the stint of warm weather. More rain and higher river flows have lowered salinities in Puget Sound and coastal bays. Nonetheless, water temperatures in Puget Sound remain at record-breaking highs. Jellyfish patches are numerous in finger inlets of South Sound and signs of phytoplankton blooms are visible in coastal bays. When conditions limit flying, Ecology's research vessel gets the job done.

We created a survey to get your feedback on EOPS, [click here](#).

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Source images of the entire flight are located at:

ftp://www.ecy.wa.gov/eap/Flight_Blog/latest_pictures/

Note: If you wish to have access to images right after the flight please send me an e-mail at ckre461@ecy.wa.gov and I will put you on a pre-release alert list with an ftp link.

We hope the images are inspiring and informative.

With best regards,

Christopher and the Marine Monitoring Unit

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