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# Eyes Over Puget Sound

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## Surface Conditions Report, March 16, 2016

Critter of the Month

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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:

In response to warm and wet conditions, rivers have been running high. Salinity in Puget Sound and coastal Bays are notably lower. Below a cooler surface, water temperatures remain high especially in Hood Canal. We still see numerous Jellyfish patches in Puget Sound inlets. Phytoplankton blooms are going strong in Hood Canal and Henderson Inlet and pick up elsewhere. Many places on Monday showed long stretches of suspended sediments nearshore a sign of potential shore erosion. Check out critters inhabiting the sediments of Puget Sound.

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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/](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](mailto: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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