

1.	Form		3.	Region	
	A	50%		King County	30%
	B	50		Northwest Washington	17
2.	Gender			Southwest Washington	31
	Male	47%		Eastern Washington	22
	Female	53			

**DNR = Volunteered response, do not read**  
**\* indicates responses totaled 0.4% or less**

Hello, may I please speak with (NAME ON LIST)? My name is \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_, a public opinion polling firm. We're not selling anything and I will not ask for a donation at any time. We are conducting a short survey about some issues people have been talking about lately. It will take only a few minutes and all responses will be anonymous and used only for research purposes.

4.	First, have I reached you on a landline or mobile telephone?	
	Landline.....	67% <b>GO TO Q6</b>
	Mobile.....	33

**ONLY READ IF MOBILE**

5.	Are you in a place where you can safely take this survey?	
	Yes.....	CONTINUE
	No.....	SCHEDULE CALL BACK
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	DK/NA/REFUSED.....	TERMINATE

6.	Are you 18 years or older and registered to vote at your home address in Washington? <b>(IF YES:)</b> Which of the following best describes your age? <b>(READ LIST)</b>	
	18-24.....	4%
	25-34.....	12
	35-44.....	15
	45-54.....	23
	55-64.....	22
	65-74.....	13
	75 or older.....	10
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	DK/NA/REFUSED.....	1
	Not old enough / Not registered.....	TERMINATE

7.	Some people were not able to vote in the 2012 election for president and other offices. How about you? Were you able to vote in the 2012 election or were you not able to vote for some reason?	
	Yes, voted.....	98%
	No, did not vote.....	1
	Too young (DNR).....	1
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	DK/NA/REFUSED.....	-

8.	As you may know, there will be an election in November of this year for several federal and state offices including US Congress and state legislature. I know that's a long time from now, but how likely it is that you will vote in this election? Is it... <b>(READ LIST)</b>	
	Almost certain.....	93%
	Probably.....	7
	About 50-50.....	TERMINATE
	Not very likely.....	TERMINATE
	Not likely at all.....	TERMINATE
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	DK/NA/REFUSED.....	TERMINATE

**IF DIDN'T VOTE IN 2012 AND NOT CERTAIN TO VOTE IN 2014, THANK AND TERMINATE**

9. To start, in general, would you say things in the state of Washington are heading in the right direction or are things off on the wrong track? **(IF MIXED OPINIONS:)** If you had to choose between the two, would you say right direction or wrong track?

		<u>Apr 2013</u>
<b>RIGHT TRACK</b> .....	<b>45%</b>	39%
<b>WRONG TRACK</b> .....	<b>46%</b>	45%
Right direction .....	35%	32%
Mixed opinions, lean right direction .....	10	7
Mixed opinions, lean wrong track .....	6	6
Wrong track .....	40	39
Mixed opinions, no lean .....	5	10
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DK/NA/REFUSED .....	4	7

10. What would you say is the most important issue facing Washington today? **(READ LIST AND RANDOM ROTATE)**

Economy and jobs .....	29%
Education .....	21
Government budget and taxes .....	19
Health care .....	10
Transportation and congestion .....	7
Environmental issues .....	3
Public health .....	1
Something else .....	6
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DK/NA/REFUSED .....	3

Now, I'm going to read you a list of some public figures, organizations, and institutions you may have heard of and I'd like you to tell me whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of each one. If you don't recognize the name or if you recognize the name but do not have an opinion, please just say so and we will move to the next name. Here is the first one...

**RANKED BY TOTAL FAVORABLE**

RANDOM ROTATE ALL	TOTAL FAV	TOTAL UNFAV	Very Fav	SW Fav	SW Unfav	Very Unfav	No opin	Don't recog.	DK/ REF
11. Farmers and ranchers in Washington	<b>72%</b>	<b>5%</b>	41%	32%	3%	1%	14%	8%	1%
12. Indian tribes in Washington State	<b>57%</b>	<b>16%</b>	24	33	10	7	22	3	2
13. The Environmental Protection Agency	<b>57%</b>	<b>32%</b>	17	40	15	17	7	3	1
14. Environmental groups	<b>54%</b>	<b>29%</b>	16	37	15	14	13	2	2
15. Barack Obama	<b>51%</b>	<b>46%</b>	26	25	12	34	3	*	1
16. Washington state government	<b>49%</b>	<b>44%</b>	9	40	27	17	6	*	1
17. Jay Inslee	<b>44%</b>	<b>33%</b>	14	30	14	19	16	5	1
18. The Washington Farm Bureau	<b>35%</b>	<b>6%</b>	14	22	4	2	27	29	2
19. The Puget Sound Partnership	<b>12%</b>	<b>4%</b>	4	8	2	2	15	68	2

Moving on....

20. Overall, would you say you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the health and condition of Washington's water resources, which includes salt water, shorelines, beaches, bays, lakes and the rivers, creeks, and streams found throughout the state? **(PROBE)** Is that very <satisfied/dissatisfied> or only somewhat?

		<u>Apr 2013</u>
<b>SATISFIED</b> .....	<b>71%</b>	66%
<b>DISSATISFIED</b> .....	<b>22%</b>	21%
Very satisfied .....	21%	22%
Somewhat satisfied.....	50	44
Somewhat dissatisfied .....	15	15
Very dissatisfied.....	7	6
Neither / no opinion / neutral (DNR) .....	5	10
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	2	4

21. Would you support or oppose stronger water resource protection regulations on agriculture and farm activities? **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

		<u>Apr 2013</u>
<b>SUPPORT</b> .....	<b>56%</b>	59%
<b>OPPOSE</b> .....	<b>32%</b>	28%
Strongly support.....	34%	41%
Not strongly support.....	11	13
Lean support.....	10	5
Lean oppose.....	5	5
Not strongly oppose.....	9	9
Strongly oppose.....	18	14
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	12	13

22. One idea for protecting water resources is requiring farms and ranches to maintain 100 foot buffers of natural vegetation between cultivated land and salmon streams. Would you support or oppose this rule? **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

<b>SUPPORT</b> .....	<b>66%</b>
<b>OPPOSE</b> .....	<b>25%</b>
Strongly support.....	43%
Not strongly support.....	15
Lean support.....	9
Lean oppose.....	3
Not strongly oppose.....	6
Strongly oppose.....	16
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	9

**ONLY READ IF SUPPORTIVE – MULTIPLE RESPONSES ACCEPTED, TOTALS DO NOT ADD TO 100%**

23. What is the main reason you support this? (OPEN ENDED)

Conserve/protect water .....	29%
Protect salmon/fish .....	28
Keep pollutants/farms/animals from water.....	27
Protect environment/resources .....	14
Good idea/need it .....	7
Protect health.....	3
Protect the future/children .....	3
Protect vegetation.....	3
Protect/assist farmers .....	3
Protect wildlife.....	2
Other .....	5
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	2

**ONLY READ IF OPPOSED – MULTIPLE RESPONSES ACCEPTED, TOTALS DO NOT ADD TO 100%**

24. What is the main reason you oppose this? (OPEN ENDED)

Government involvement/political .....	21%
Too many regulations already .....	17
Hurts farmers .....	17
100 ft is too much/unusable land.....	13
Private property/rights.....	13
Do not see harm/unnecessary .....	13
Costs .....	6
Other .....	10
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	4

25. Moving on, which of the following statements comes closest to your own opinion, even if neither is exactly your opinion? (ROTATE STATEMENTS; IF UNDECIDED:) Which statement would you say you lean toward?

The best way to protect our water resources is public-private partnerships that provide incentives for the private sector to use responsible environmental practices. – OR – The best way to protect our water resources is for Washington to enforce water quality laws and fine those who are breaking these laws.

		<u>Apr 2013</u>
<b>INCENTIVE .....</b>	<b>54%</b>	49%
<b>ENFORCEMENT .....</b>	<b>42%</b>	47%
Incentive .....	44%	47%
Lean incentive.....	9	3
Lean enforcement.....	6	2
Enforcement .....	36	44
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	4	4

26. And how about these statements? (ROTATE STATEMENTS; IF UNDECIDED:) Which statement would you say you lean toward?

Protecting water resources in Washington State should be given priority even at the risk of slowing economic growth. – OR – Economic growth should be given priority, even if Washington's water resources suffer to some extent.

		<u>Apr 2013</u>
<b>WATER RESOURCES .....</b>	<b>54%</b>	57%
<b>ECONOMIC GROWTH.....</b>	<b>37%</b>	33%
Water resources .....	48%	54%
Lean water resources .....	7	3
Lean economic growth.....	8	2
Economic growth .....	29	31
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	8	10

Earlier I read you a rule that would require farms and ranches to maintain 100 foot buffers between cultivated lands and salmon streams. Here are a few more specifics about that rule. For each one, please tell me if it makes your opinion of this rule more favorable or less favorable. You can also say it doesn't change your opinion. **(PROBE)** Is that much <more/less> likely or only slightly?

**RANKED BY TOTAL MORE**

RANDOM ROTATE ALL		TOTAL MORE	TOTAL LESS	Much More	Slightly More	No Diff.	Slightly Less	Much Less	DK/REF
27.	This rule requires that toxics such as pesticides, fertilizers and manure stay at least 100 feet from salmon streams.	76%	8%	62%	14%	14%	4%	4%	2%
28.	This rule prohibits new construction or new buildings within 100 feet of salmon streams.	59%	17%	42	17	22	7	9	3
29.	This rule prohibits the clearing of natural vegetation located within 100 feet of salmon streams.	52%	20%	33	20	24	10	10	4
30.	Farms or ranches that violate this rule will be fined.	52%	22%	32	20	23	8	15	3
31.	Any farm or ranch with existing roads, buildings, or utilities lines in the buffer zone would be exempted from this rule.	49%	20%	23	25	28	10	9	3
32.	This rule prohibits the growing or cultivation of crops within 100 feet of salmon streams.	47%	20%	28	19	30	9	11	4
33.	This rule would only apply to farms and ranches near salmon streams.	44%	22%	24	20	30	9	13	4
34.	This rule prohibits the grazing or roaming of livestock within 100 feet of salmon streams.	44%	27%	27	16	26	12	15	4
35.	<b>(SPLIT B)</b> The Washington Department of Ecology would be in charge of enforcing this rule and ensuring compliance.	42%	22%	26	16	32	7	16	3
36.	<b>(SPLIT A)</b> Any farm or ranch smaller than 10 square acres would be exempted from this rule.	41%	26%	18	24	28	11	15	4
37.	<b>(SPLIT B)</b> Any farm or ranch smaller than 5 square acres would be exempted from this rule.	41%	26%	21	21	30	12	14	3
38.	<b>(SPLIT A)</b> Washington state government would be in charge of enforcing this rule and ensuring compliance.	41%	26%	22	20	28	9	17	5

39. Now that you've heard a little more, would you support or oppose requiring farms and ranches to maintain 100 foot buffers of natural vegetation between cultivated land and salmon streams. **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

**SUPPORT** .....72%  
**OPPOSE** .....22%

Strongly support.....49%  
 Not strongly support.....15  
 Lean support.....8

Lean oppose.....2  
 Not strongly oppose.....4  
 Strongly oppose.....16  
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 DK/NA/REFUSED.....6

Here are some reasons others have given for why they OPPOSE this buffer rule. Please tell me if each one causes you to have very serious doubts, somewhat serious doubts, not many doubts, or no serious doubts about this rule. Here is the first one...

**RANKED BY VERY/SW SERIOUS DOUBTS**

RANDOM ROTATE ALL	VERY/SW SERIOUS	NOT SERIOUS	Very Serious	SW Serious	Not Many	No Doubts	DK/ REF
40. This regulation infringes on the property rights of Washington's farmers and ranchers. Large portions of private property will become off limits and property owners are not being offered any compensation for the lost of that fertile, productive land.	<b>60%</b>	<b>35%</b>	32%	28%	11%	23%	5%
41. <b>(SPLIT B)</b> This is a rule written by environmentalists in Seattle that allows state bureaucrats in Olympia to tell farmers and ranchers in rural and small town Washington how to use their land. This is a one-size-fits-all solution with no room for local input or expertise.	<b>59%</b>	<b>38%</b>	38	22	9	29	2
42. This rule harms small farmers and ranchers by reducing the amount of their own land they can use. This rule would force them to stop farming on large parts of their land so that they can establish a buffer between waterways.	<b>53%</b>	<b>43%</b>	26	27	13	30	3
43. The biggest threat to a healthy salmon population is overfishing, not agriculture. This rule puts a heavy burden on farmers without addressing the bigger issue of years of unsustainable fishing practices that have led to declining salmon runs.	<b>50%</b>	<b>41%</b>	23	27	12	29	9
44. <b>(SPLIT A)</b> This rule puts Washington's notoriously bureaucratic and inefficient state government in charge of enforcing and fining farmers and ranchers. We can't rely on bureaucrats in state government to do what's best for farmers or ranchers.	<b>49%</b>	<b>45%</b>	29	20	18	27	6
45. This regulation would drive up the cost of food and produce in Washington's grocery stores. When farmers have to jump through more hoops to get their foods to market, that cost gets passed on to everyone else. Many families already struggle to get their children healthy foods and increasing the cost of those healthy foods is just a bad idea.	<b>47%</b>	<b>49%</b>	27	20	14	34	4

46. Now that you've heard a little more, would you support or oppose requiring farms and ranches to maintain 100 foot buffers of natural vegetation between cultivated land and salmon streams. **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

**SUPPORT** .....58%  
**OPPOSE** .....34%

Strongly support.....40%  
 Not strongly support.....10  
 Lean support.....9

Lean oppose .....5  
 Not strongly oppose.....6  
 Strongly oppose.....23  
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 DK/NA/REFUSED.....8

Here are some reasons others have given for why they SUPPORT this buffer rule. Please tell me if each one is a very convincing, somewhat convincing, not very convincing, or not convincing reason to SUPPORT the rule. Here is the first one...

**RANKED BY VERY/SW CONVINCING**

RANDOM ROTATE ALL		VERY/SW CONV.	NOT CONV.	Very Conv.	SW Conv.	Not Very	Not Conv.	DK/ REF
47.	Many farms use chemical pesticides, fertilizers, and manure which can get swept into our waterways. It's reasonable to ask agriculture to put distance between toxic chemicals and the state's waterways to ensure that water resources are protected.	<b>81%</b>	<b>16%</b>	53%	28%	7%	9%	3%
48.	Clean water is essential for our health and especially critical for children. We need better protections to ensure that all children and future generations have access to water that is drinkable, fishable, and swimmable.	<b>77%</b>	<b>21%</b>	50	26	11	11	2
49.	<b>(SPLIT B)</b> Taxpayers are the ones who foot the bill for cleaning up polluted waters and reversing environmental damage. Our water protection laws should be focused on prevention rather than clean up. A 100 foot buffer helps avoid costly cleanup projects by keeping toxics out of streams in the first place.	<b>75%</b>	<b>24%</b>	44	31	11	13	1
50.	<b>(SPLIT A)</b> Taxpayers are the ones who foot the bill for cleaning up polluted waters and reversing environmental damage. In fact, Washington spends \$100 million annually on environmental cleanup. Our water protection laws should be focused on prevention rather than cleanup. A 100 foot buffer helps avoid costly cleanup projects by keeping toxics out of streams in the first place.	<b>74%</b>	<b>22%</b>	39	35	11	11	3
51.	Every other industry that uses land, like timber and city developers, are already required to keep a distance of between 50 and 150 feet from waterways. However, agriculture gets an exemption and doesn't need to keep any distance from waterways. Agriculture creates pollution just like any commercial industry and should be subject to water protection rules just like other industries.	<b>71%</b>	<b>26%</b>	42	29	10	16	3
52.	We have a responsibility to protect fish and wildlife in Washington and our current efforts are not getting the job done. In Washington, 17 populations of salmon, steelhead and trout are listed as endangered or threatened because of polluted habitat.	<b>69%</b>	<b>27%</b>	39	30	13	13	4
53.	Only 3% of all farmland in Washington would be affected by this buffer rule, and small farms and ranches are exempted. This rule has a narrow impact on farmers and ranchers while also protecting our water resources.	<b>66%</b>	<b>31%</b>	34	31	13	18	3
54.	Currently, the state relies on incentives to protect water resources from agricultural pollution. It pays polluters to try to adopt better practices but it does not require those who are being paid to show any improvement in the conditions of our water resources. This new rule is a more accountable system.	<b>59%</b>	<b>37%</b>	25	34	17	20	4

55. One last time, now that you've heard a little more, would you support or oppose requiring farms and ranches to maintain 100 foot buffers of natural vegetation between cultivated land and salmon streams. **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

<b>SUPPORT</b> .....	<b>66%</b>
<b>OPPOSE</b> .....	<b>30%</b>
Strongly support.....	46%
Not strongly support.....	10
Lean support.....	9
Lean oppose.....	4
Not strongly oppose.....	5
Strongly oppose.....	20
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	5

Finally, I'm going to read you two alternative ideas for protecting Washington's water resources, and I'd like you to tell me if you support or oppose each rule. Here's the first one...

**(ROTATE Q56 – Q57)**

56. Requiring farms and ranches to maintain 50 foot buffers of natural vegetation between cultivated land and salmon streams. Would you support or oppose this rule? **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

<b>SUPPORT</b> .....	<b>60%</b>
<b>OPPOSE</b> .....	<b>35%</b>
Strongly support.....	34%
Not strongly support.....	15
Lean support.....	10
Lean oppose.....	4
Not strongly oppose.....	9
Strongly oppose.....	21
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	5

And here is the second one...

57. Requiring farms and ranches to maintain buffers ranging from 50 to 150 feet between cultivated lands and salmon streams with the specific size of the buffer determined by each individual county in Washington. Would you support or oppose this rule? **(PROBE)** Is that strongly <support/oppose> or not so strongly? **(IF UNSURE)** Which way would you say you lean at this time?

<b>SUPPORT</b> .....	<b>50%</b>
<b>OPPOSE</b> .....	<b>45%</b>
Strongly support.....	29%
Not strongly support.....	11
Lean support.....	10
Lean oppose.....	9
Not strongly oppose.....	10
Strongly oppose.....	26
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	5



To finish up, I have just a few questions left for statistical purposes.

58. In politics, as of today, do you consider yourself **(ROTATE:)** a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent? **(IF DEMOCRAT OR REPUBLICAN:)** Would you say you are a strong <Democrat/Republican> or a not strong <Democrat/Republican>? **(IF INDEPENDENT:)** As of today, do you lean more to the Democratic Party or the Republican Party?

<b>DEMOCRAT</b> .....	<b>36%</b>
<b>REPUBLICAN</b> .....	<b>32%</b>
Strong Democrat.....	20%
Not strong Democrat.....	8
Independent, lean Democratic .....	8
Independent.....	24
Independent, lean Republican.....	9
Not strong Republican .....	7
Strong Republican .....	16
Other (DNR) .....	3
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	5

59. Politically, would you say you are... **(READ AND ROTATE LIST, KEEP MODERATE IN MIDDLE)**

Progressive.....	20%
Moderate .....	33
Conservative.....	38
Other <b>(DNR)</b> .....	3
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	6

60. Are you of a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background? **(IF NO:)** How would you describe your race? **(READ LIST)**

White or Caucasian.....	82%
Black or African American.....	1
Native American .....	2
Asian or Pacific Islander.....	2
Something else .....	3
Hispanic or Latino <b>(DNR)</b> .....	6
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	4

61. Which of the following best describes the last level of education you fully completed? Is it... **(READ LIST)**

Some high school .....	2%
High school graduate or GED .....	14
Some college or two year college graduate.....	35
Four year college graduate .....	25
Postgraduate or completed an advanced degree ...	22
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	2

62. How would you describe the type of community you live in? Is it... **(READ LIST)**

A big city .....	21%
Suburban .....	29
Small town .....	25
Rural.....	23
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	2

63. In the 2012 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican Mitt Romney?

Obama.....	47%
Romney.....	38
Can't remember <b>(DNR)</b> .....	1
Someone else <b>(DNR)</b> .....	3
Didn't vote <b>(DNR)</b> .....	3
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DK/NA/REFUSED.....	8

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That completes our survey. Thank you VERY MUCH for your time.

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