

MARBLED MURRELET TIMELINE

- 1992** ○ Marbled murrelets are listed as [Threatened](#) on the federal Endangered Species List on the West Coast.
- 1997** ○ Washington's Department of Natural Resources (DNR) agrees to a multi-species [Habitat Conservation Plan](#), which requires the agency to provide protections for species like northern spotted owls, salmon, and marbled murrelets while allowing them to continue logging activities on state lands. While more research is done on the biological needs of murrelets, an interim conservation strategy is implemented.
- 2001** ○ Murrelets are estimated at approximately 12,400 birds in Washington.
- 2004** ○ US Fish and Wildlife releases a [five-year review](#) of the status of murrelets in WA, OR, and CA.
- 2008** ○ The DNR-convened Science Team releases their recommendations for a Long-Term Conservation Strategy for murrelets. Their recommendations are informally rejected by the BNR and new conservation strategies are developed.
- 2012** ○ US Fish and Wildlife releases a [report on murrelets in Washington](#).
- 2016** ○ Murrelets have declined by 44% in Washington, to about 7,500 birds in total. Washington's Department of Fish and Wildlife lists the murrelet as [Endangered](#) in the state.
- 2016** ○ DNR releases the [draft environmental impact statement](#) for the Long-Term Conservation Strategy for Marbled Murrelets.
- 2017** ○ The Board of Natural Resources selected their preferred alternative for further analysis. The BNR selects a [staff recommended alternative](#).
- JUNE
2018 ○ DNR will release a supplemental environmental impact statement on the preferred alternative, which will be followed by a 60-day public comment period. DNR will simultaneously submit an HCP amendment to US Fish and Wildlife Service for their approval.
- SEPT
2019 ○ DNR will begin work on a final environmental impact statement. They will also work on the final amendment to the HCP for US Fish and Wildlife service.
- MAY
2019 ○ DNR will release their final environmental impact statement and submit their final HCP amendment to US Fish and Wildlife for approval. The Long-Term Conservation Strategy for the Marbled Murrelet will be in effect for the next 50 years.

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