



# BULKHEAD REMOVAL

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PROJECT

### HOW DO I GET STARTED?

In some situations, it may be possible to remove a bulkhead completely and restore the shoreline to its natural state. Bulkheads are often a legacy of the past, installed because they were considered the best option at the time. Now that there is a better understanding of coastal geology and beach dynamics, we know that bulkheads are not always the best or only option for handling erosion. To determine if bulkhead removal is feasible on your property, a site assessment is needed. If this is something you are interested in, please call us to schedule a visit with Shore Friendly Kitsap staff.



### BULKHEAD DOWNSIDES

- Limits beach access
- Coarsens adjacent beaches
- Degrades waterfront habitat
- Cuts off Sediment Supply
- Deflects waves, which encourages more erosion
- Degrades over time
- Expensive to repair
- Cuts off sand and gravels to beaches

### REMOVAL BENEFITS

- Increases Native Habitats
- Re-nourishes Beaches
- Easier Beach Access
- Enhances the Beauty of Your Property
- Economical to Maintain