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June 2010:

- “Harmful Algal Blooms” (Chris Betchley)

May 2010:

- “Resources for Shoreline Landowners” (Scott Chase)
- Mapping tools, Publications for Shoreline Planting; Water Quality; Hotlines

April 2010:

- “Dealing with Dog Waste” (Darcy McNamara & Chrys Bertolotto)

March 2010:

- “Salt Spray and Shoreline Landscaping” (Scott Chase)
- “Local Native Plant Guide for Shoreline Locations”

February 2010:

- “Rain Gardens” (Peg Tillery, Scott Chase, Stacy Smith)

January 2010:

- “Crane Flies, Identification, and Control” (Sharon Collman & Cheryl Lovato-Niles)

December 2009:

- “Natural Cleaning Products for Outdoor Use” (Scott Chase)

November 2009:

- “Disposal of Electronic Waste, Fluorescent Bulbs, and Batteries” (Scott Chase)
- “New Rules on Rainwater Catchment”

October 2009:

- “Disposal of Fall Yard Waste” (Scott Chase)
- “Alternatives to Yard Waste Disposal”

September 2009:

- “Fall Lawn Care / Basic Lawn Care Practices & Tips” (Chrys Bertolotto)
- “Testing Your Soil / Building Healthy Soils”

August 2009:

- “Yellow Jackets / How to Avoid Getting Stung / Removing a Nest” (Cheryl Lovato-Niles)

July 2009:

- “Fish and Pharmaceuticals” (Cheryl Lovato-Niles)
- “Medication Take-Back Programs”

June 2009:

- “Fireworks Toxins”; “Perchlorates and Water Quality”; “The Greening of Fireworks” (Scott Chase)

May 2009:

- “Stormwater Solutions”; “Landscaping”; “Trapping and Infiltrating Stormwater” (Cammy Mills)

April 2009:

- “Yard Waste Disposal” (Adria Banks; Peg Tillery; Fay Linger; Janet Hall)
- “Landscaping Septic Drainfields and Mounds”

February 2009:

- “Puget Sound Partnership and the Action Agenda”
- “NOAA Study on Ocean Acidification”

January 2009:

- “Coastal Native Plants”; “Why Go Native”; “Right Plant, Right Place”; “Planting Techniques” (Chrys Bertolotto)
- “Pruning Techniques”
- “Plant Sources”

December 2008:

- “Conservation Tools”; “Conservation Easements”; “Land Donations”; “Conservation Leases and Licenses” (Cheryl Lovato-Niles)

November 2008:

- “Trashing the Ocean” : Plastics in the ocean environment (Sonia Hurt)

October 2008:

- “Forage Fish” (Cammy Mills; Doris Small)

September 2008:

- “Winterizing you Boat” (Chrys Bertolotto)
- “Engine Room” ; “Slip Side Maintenance”; “Hull Care and Paint Choices”
- “What’s Living on Your Boat”

August 2008:

- “Toxic Metals in Puget Sound: Mercury, Zinc, Copper” (Scott Chase)
- “Port of South Whidbey joins Shore Stewards” (Dan Pedersen)

July 2008:

- 500th Shore Steward in Island County (Dan Pedersen)

June 2008:

- “Polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs)” (Cheryl Lovato-Niles)

May 2008:

- “Dungeness Crabs, Derelict Pots, Escape Cord” (Chrys Bertolotto)

April 2008:

- “Shellfish Safety on Your Beach; Water Quality” (Scott Chase; Kathleen Parvin)

March 2008:

- “Tides in Puget Sound” (Chrys Bertolotto)

February 2008:

- “Marine Invasive Species Monitoring; Volunteer Opportunities” (Scott Chase; Ann Eissinger)

January 2008:

- “Hot Tube and Spa Water Disposal” (Scott Chase)
- “Natural Lawn Care; Soil Health; Grass Health” (Cheryl Lovato-Niles)

December 2007:

- “Rain Gardens”
- “Technical Reports on Marine Issues”
- “Conservation District Plant Sales”
- “Rainwater and Greywater”

November 2007:

- “Rain Barrels: Harvesting your Rainwater”

October 2007:

- “Shoreline Winter Checklist Issue”

September 2007:

- “Light Pollution and Shoreline Lighting”

August 2007:

- “Free DVD on Shoreline Living”
- “Shoreline Education Teams”
- “Tidelands Ownership in Washington”

July 2007:

- “Beaches and Bluffs”
- “Feeder Bluffs”
- “Shore or Littoral Drift”
- “Effects of Human Development”

June 2007:

- “Shore Stewards Survey Results”
- “Nutrition and Shellfish”
- “Publications for Planting Near the Shoreline”

May 2007:

- “Oysters, Clams, and Clean Water”

April 2007:

- “Protecting Your Drainfield”

March 2007:

- “Island County Marine Resources Committee”

February 2007:

- “The Nature of Bluffs”: Glacial Origins; Bluff Stability; Topography; Soil Type; Natural Processes; Human Impacts

January 2007:

- “Green Boating Practices Issue”

December 2006:

- “Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxins (PBTs)”
- “Disposal of PBTs”
- “Storm Debris Cleanup”
- “Conservation District Plant Sales”

November 2006:

- “Rain Gardens”
- “Getting to the Waters Edge”
- “How you can minimize your pollution contribution”

October 2006:

- “Salmon-Friendly Home Practices”
- “Change Your Thinking About Drains”
- “Use Natural Cleaning Products”
- “How Do You Wash Your Car?”
- “Clean Up After Your Dog”
- “Change Your Light Bulbs”

September 2006:

- “Non-point pollution: A problem we all share”
- “Where does non-point pollution come from?”
- “How you can minimize your pollution contribution”

August 2006:

- “What animals and plants live on your beach?”
- “Year-Long spartina drift card project underway in Puget Sound”
- “Free Shore Stewards Signs Available”
- “Biotoxins on your beach”

July 2006:

- “Aquatic Invasive species: biological pollution”
- “The Varnish or Purple Mahogany clam”
- “Japanese Oyster Drill”
- “Spartina”
- “European Green Crabs”

June 2006:

- “Non-point pollution: A problem we all share”
- “Where does non-point pollution come from?”
- “How you can minimize your pollution contribution”

May 2006:

- “Marine mammals on your beach”
- “Cetaceans in Puget Sound”
- “Seals you may encounter”
- “California Sea Lions”
- “When marine mammals are sick, injured or dead”
- “Marine mammal stranding network”

April 2006:

- “Shore Stewards expands to four new counties”
- “Arsenic: new standards now in effect”
- “What is missing from your water”
- “Rain barrels and cisterns”

March 2006:

- “Marine bird decline in the Puget Sound Region: Why the decline?”
- “Who lives in your bluff?”

February 2006:

- “Bulkheads and your beach”
- “Bulkheading and the living beach”
- “Soft shore alternatives to bulkheads”
- “Future of soft shore protection”

January 2006:

- “Water Conservation and Your Septic Tank”
- “Reducing water use in the kitchen and utility room”
- “Water use reduction in the bathroom”
- “Leaks: the hidden water waster”

December 2005:

- “Trees, bluffs and views”
- “Why you should not “top” your trees”
- “Pruning to enhance views”
- “Pruning conifers”
- “Pruning broad-leaf trees”

November 2005:

- “Creosote in your yard and on your beach”
- “What is creosote, and why is it used?”
- “How does creosote affect your environment”
- “Disposal of your own creosoted wood”
- “What is being done to remove creosote logs in Puget Sound?”

October 2005:

- “One year anniversary of shore stewards news!”
- “Protecting your bluff from winter rains”
- “Beach Access: Trails and Roads”
- “Wanted: Your eyes on the beach”

September 2005:

- “Mushrooms, fungi and your property”
- “The role of fungi in decomposing litter and debris”
- “Fairy rings and woodpeckers”
- “Symbiotic relationships between fungi, plants and trees”
- “Soil erosion control for beach and bluff properties
- “Clean water through pollution control”
- “What about edible mushrooms?”

August 2005:

- “Salt spray and your landscaping”
- “Some thoughts on changing your landscaping”
- “Salt tolerant trees and shrubs”
- “Native herbaceous plants for shoreland sites”

July 2005:

- “New Shore Stewards website!”
- “Nutrition and shellfish”
- “Beach etiquette”

June 2005:

- “Forage fish in Island County”
- “Sand lance”
- “Pacific herring”
- “Surf smelt”

May 2005:

- “Eelgrass in Island County”
- “Eelgrass in erosion control”
- “Eelgrass as food factory”
- “Other users of eelgrass”
- “Eelgrass threats”

April 2005:

- “Water, water everywhere”
- “Where am I? A guide to Island County maps”
- “Gardening on your beach”
- “Divots in the sand
- “Important programs for beach and bluff owners”

March 2005:

- “Shore Stewards featured at Georgia Basin conference”
- “Camano 101 / Whidbey 101
- “Getting rid of your junk tires”
- “Why you shouldn’t dump your waste over bluffs”

February 2005:

- “Nontoxic solutions for your garden”
- “Slug control: Yes or No to chemicals?”
- “Share your favorite brew with slugs”
- “Slug lattes”
- “Seaweed and copper”
- “Neem is supreme”
- “Vegetable oils in the garden”
- “Moles and voles”
- “Deer repellants”

January 2005:

- “Welcome to Whidbey Island Shore Stewards”
- “Jefferson County adopts Shore Stewards program”

December 2004:

- “Things to know about your septic system”
- “Be prepared if you expect company”
- “Some common myths and truths”
- “Landscaping over your drain field”

November 2004:

- “New office on Camano Island”
- “Bluff Booklets available
- “Sea Lions or Seals on your beach?”