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## What's Going On With Wetlands?

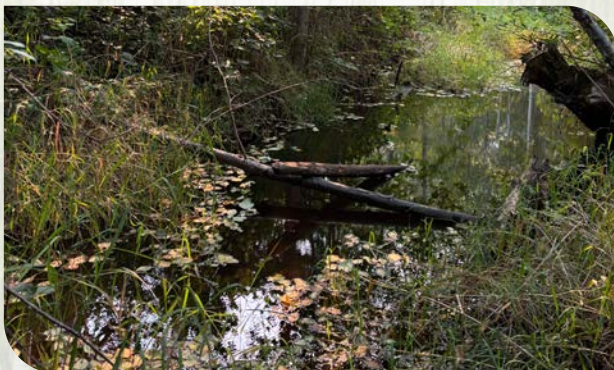


No better place to celebrate spring than wetlands with their abundant diversity.

Wetlands are a sensory wonderland with the smells of cottonwood buds, the soft willow catkins, the vibrant greens of leaf-out, and the calls of songbirds.



Summer demonstrates our wetlands' capacity to provide all year long. During this dry and hot season, stored water in beaver ponds offers cool refuge for fish and other aquatic life as well as consistent year round flow in streams.



As the weather cools and the rains begin, wetlands support the salmon's journey as they travel upstream from the Salish Sea toward their spawning grounds. Pollutants that could prevent fish from successfully migrating are cleaned out of streams by wetlands.



Whether Quil Ceda Village has a snowy or rainy holiday season, our wetlands are prepared to prevent damaging floods. By slowing water, not only do they protect QCV from floods, but they also decrease soil erosion and pollutant runoff into streams.