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### **Snap a Picture and Become a Witness to Washington's King Tides and Rising Seas**

*Get outdoors this holiday season and help build a picture of the future.*

King tides, extreme-high tides that occur when the sun and moon align, are a dramatic feature of Washington winters – and a glimpse of what our future around Puget Sound may look like as sea levels rise. This holiday season, capture these extreme tides in unforgettable pictures and help us assemble a preview of the world to come.

Washington Sea Grant invites you to join the Witness King Tides Initiative, December 21-27. It's simple: Photograph a king tide at any of the times and locations along the Puget Sound shown at [http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/ipa\\_hightide\\_map.htm](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/ipa_hightide_map.htm) (scroll down to the map). Upload your images to the Witness King Tides website, <http://washington.kingtides.net>, and/or post them on Twitter and Instagram using #kingtidesWA.

Your photos will join an international online gallery that will help the world visualize the changes coming to its coastal communities. And if you miss this chance, keep your camera handy. Two more King Tide Witness events are coming in January and February 2015!

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