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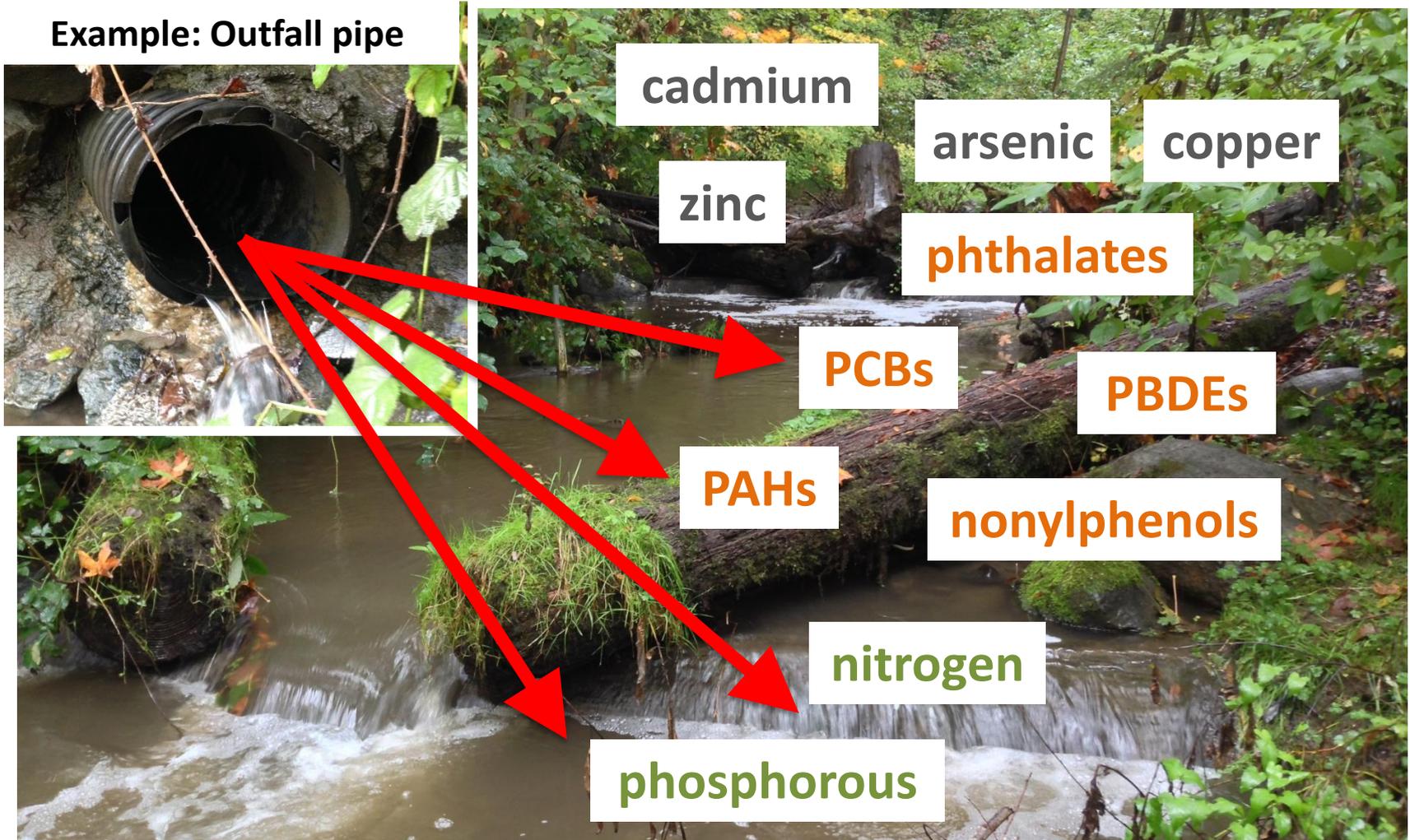
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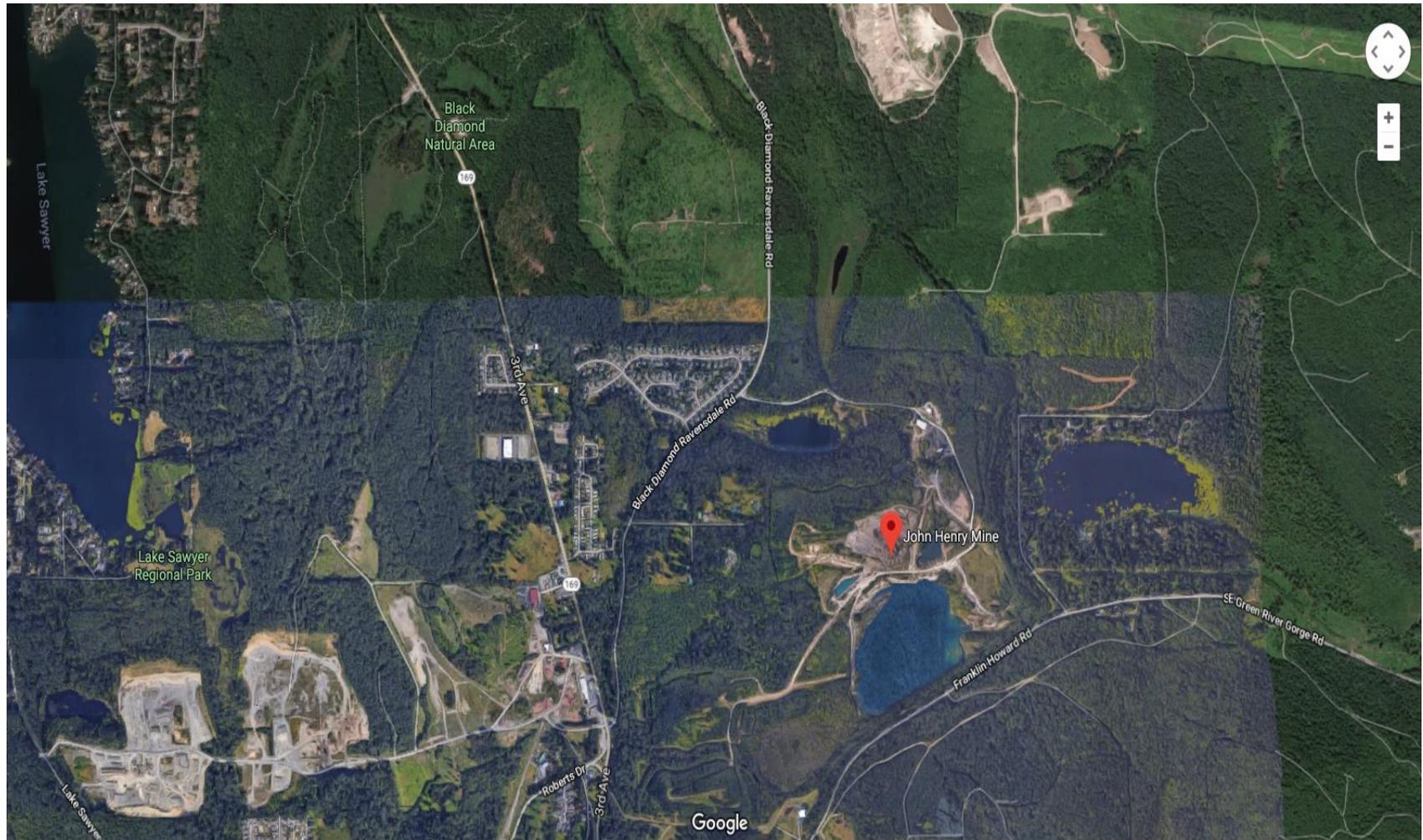
- Monitoring and Clean Water Act Enforcement
 - Over 170 successful lawsuits
- Stewardship and Education
 - Volunteer network of thousands of Puget Sound residents
 - Clean Marinas Program, Pint Sized Science, cleanups, and more!
- Policy and Advocacy
 - 2018 successes: Phase out of Atlantic Salmon Netpen fish farms (HB2957), Puget Sound No Discharge Zone, Oil Transportation Safety (SB6269)

Stormwater & Wastewater

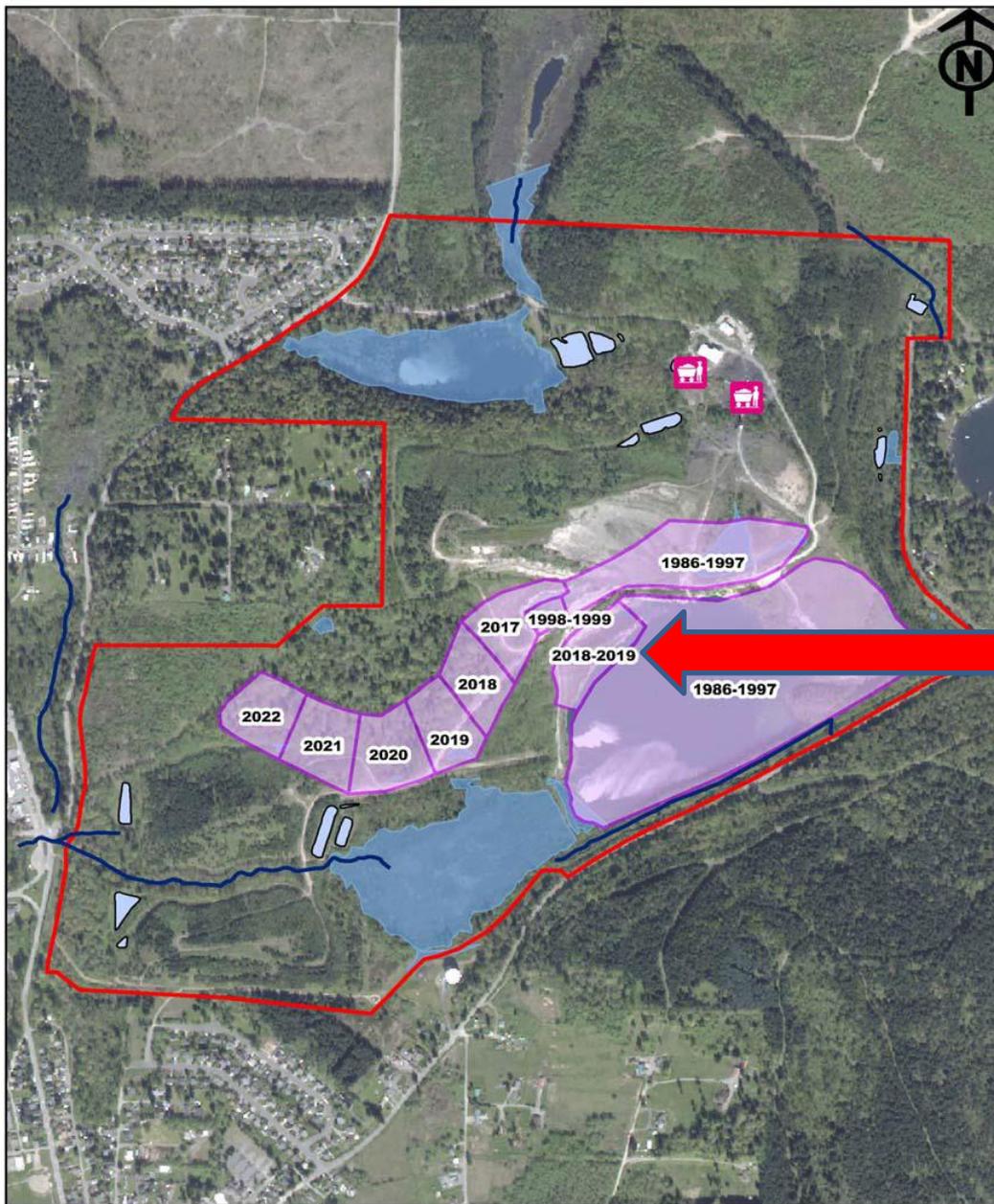
Example: Outfall pipe



John Henry No. 1 Coal Mine



Project Area



Area to be mined



Project Status

- April 2018: Federal Mining Permit granted
- Ongoing: Department of Ecology Clean Water Act (NPDES) Permit
- Ongoing: King County Grading Permit periodic review

Concerns

- Authorizing the mine to operate will violate the law.
 - Mine operations will violate the Clean Water Act.
 - Mine operations will violate State water quality laws.
 - Mine operations will pollute Lake Sawyer with phosphorus in violation of State water quality laws and the pollution plan in place on the Lake.
 - PCCC hasn't followed procedure. The required Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification was never issued for this project.
- There is a history of neglect, illegal dumping and waste disposal, legal violations and water pollution at the mine that has been ongoing for decades.
- Authorizing the mine to operate contradicts local, County, and State air quality and climate change laws and policies.

Next Steps

- Ecology is preparing a Clean Water Act permit for the project. Send in comments to:
nwropccc@ecy.wa.gov
- Info available:
<https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Permits-certifications/PCCC>
- Contact Alyssa@pugetsoundkeeper.org