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GIG HARBOR, WA – Harbor WildWatch will lead five educational salmon walking tours on Saturdays in November and December. These tours offer residents and visitors alike the chance to learn about the importance of salmon in the Pacific Northwest while viewing spawning Chum salmon in Gig Harbor.

“Locally, the salmon life cycle begins in Donkey and Crescent Creeks,” says Rachel Easton, Education Director. “These tours are a unique opportunity to engage with salmon while learning about why they are critical to every aspect of the Pacific Northwest’s ecosystem.”

Tours are led by a Harbor WildWatch biologist, who will tell the story of salmon – from their life cycle to the cultural and historical significance in Washington. The tours will begin at Austin Estuary Park in Gig Harbor and wind along an accessible gravel path next to Donkey Creek; ending at Donkey Creek Park. The latter park has a viewing platform that is perfect for watching salmon spawn!

The walking tours will last approximately an hour, are great for all ages, and free of cost (though donations are appreciated). No reservations are required; meet at Austin Estuary Park next to the picnic table, rain or shine. The full schedule of tours is available on Harbor WildWatch’s website and listed below.

- Saturday, November 16 at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.
- Saturday, November 23 at 10 a.m.
- Saturday, November 30 at 10 a.m.
- Saturday, December 7 at 10 a.m.

Harbor WildWatch is a 501(c)(3) non-profit environmental education organization based in Gig Harbor, WA. Their mission is to inspire stewardship for Puget Sound by providing learning opportunities about the environment to the people in the local community.

Through more than 600 fun and interactive programs each year, Harbor WildWatch hopes to inform residents and visitors about local marine life and elicit their involvement in preserving our natural resources. To make a donation or learn more about Harbor WildWatch, visit www.harborwildwatch.org.