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Washington's Growing Area Restoration Program: Past, Present, and Future

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Overview

- Historical Overview
 - Washington Reclassifications
 - Government Restoration Initiatives
- DOH Restoration Today
- Restoration into the Future

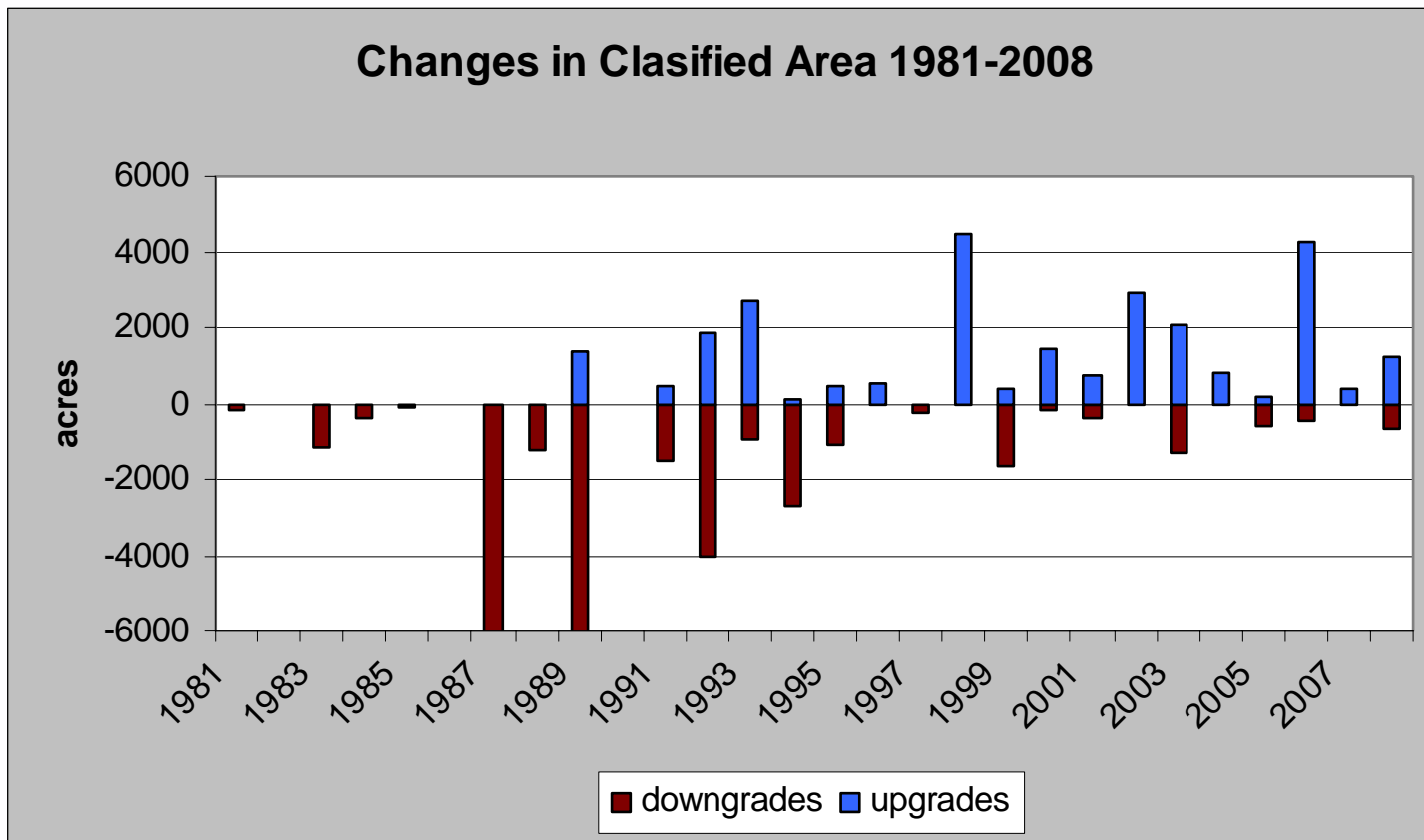


DOH Shellfish Restoration Program

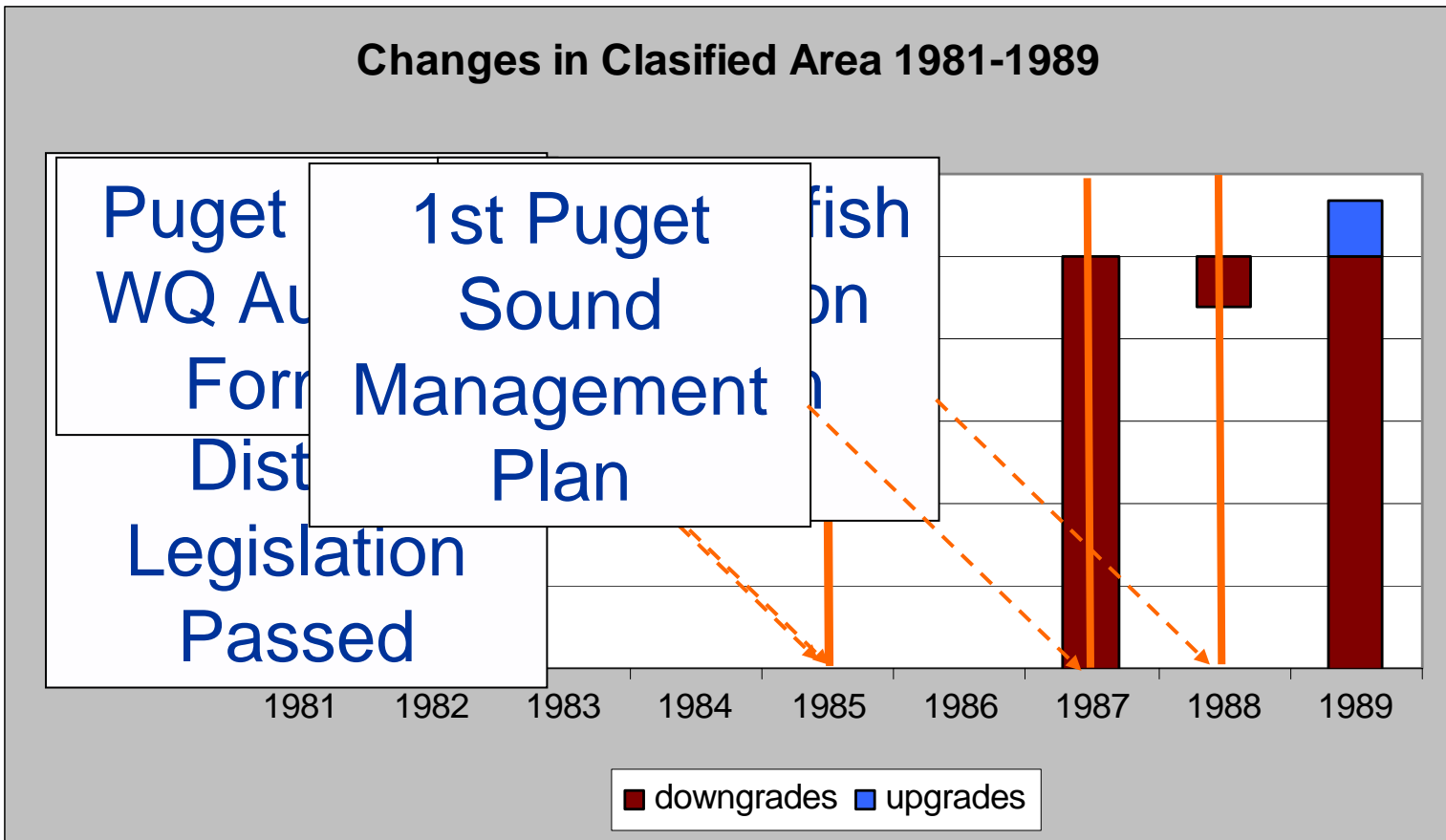
Objective:

to protect open areas and reopen
closed/correctable shellfish harvesting areas

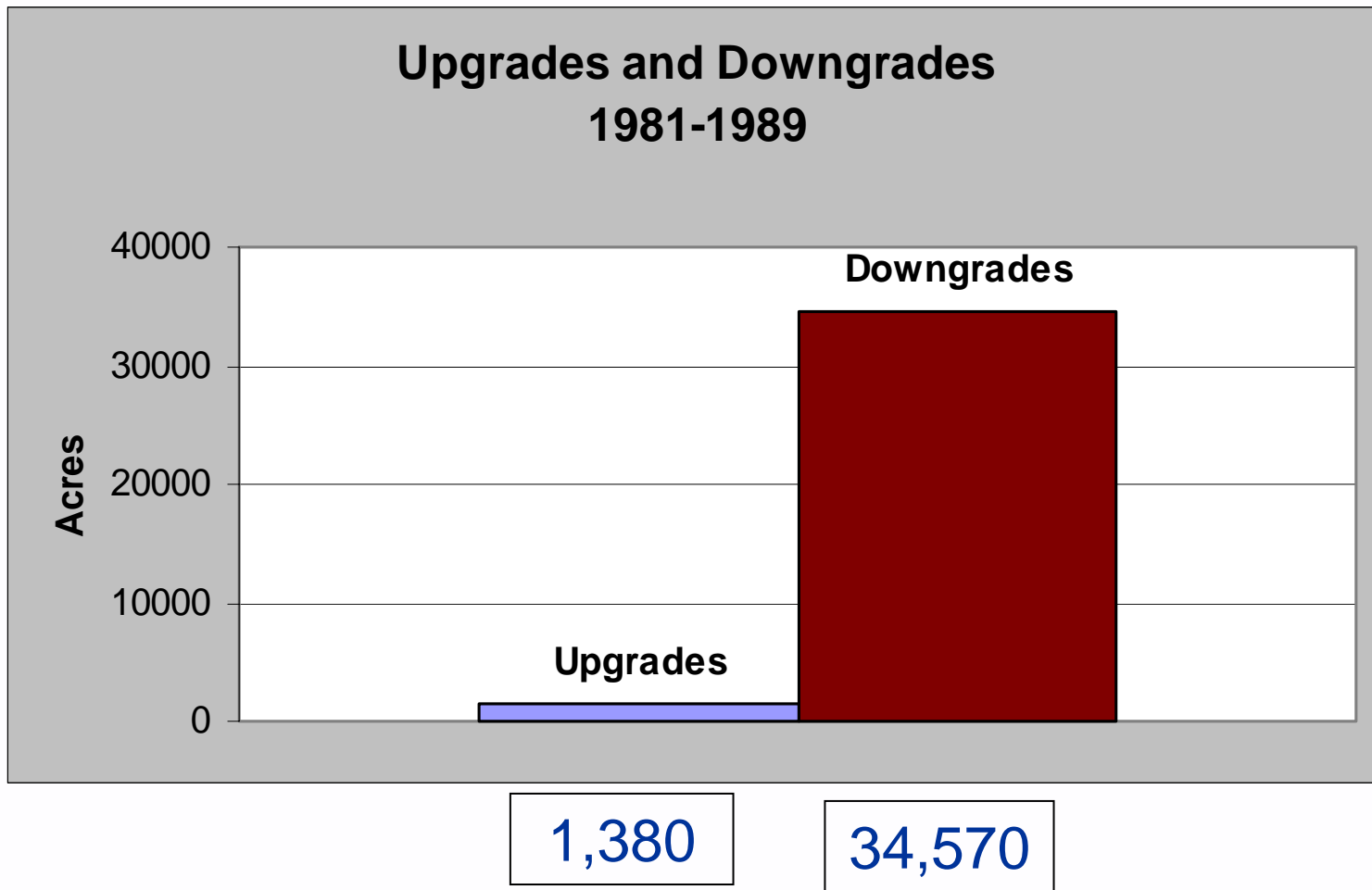
Reclassifications Since 1981



The 80's

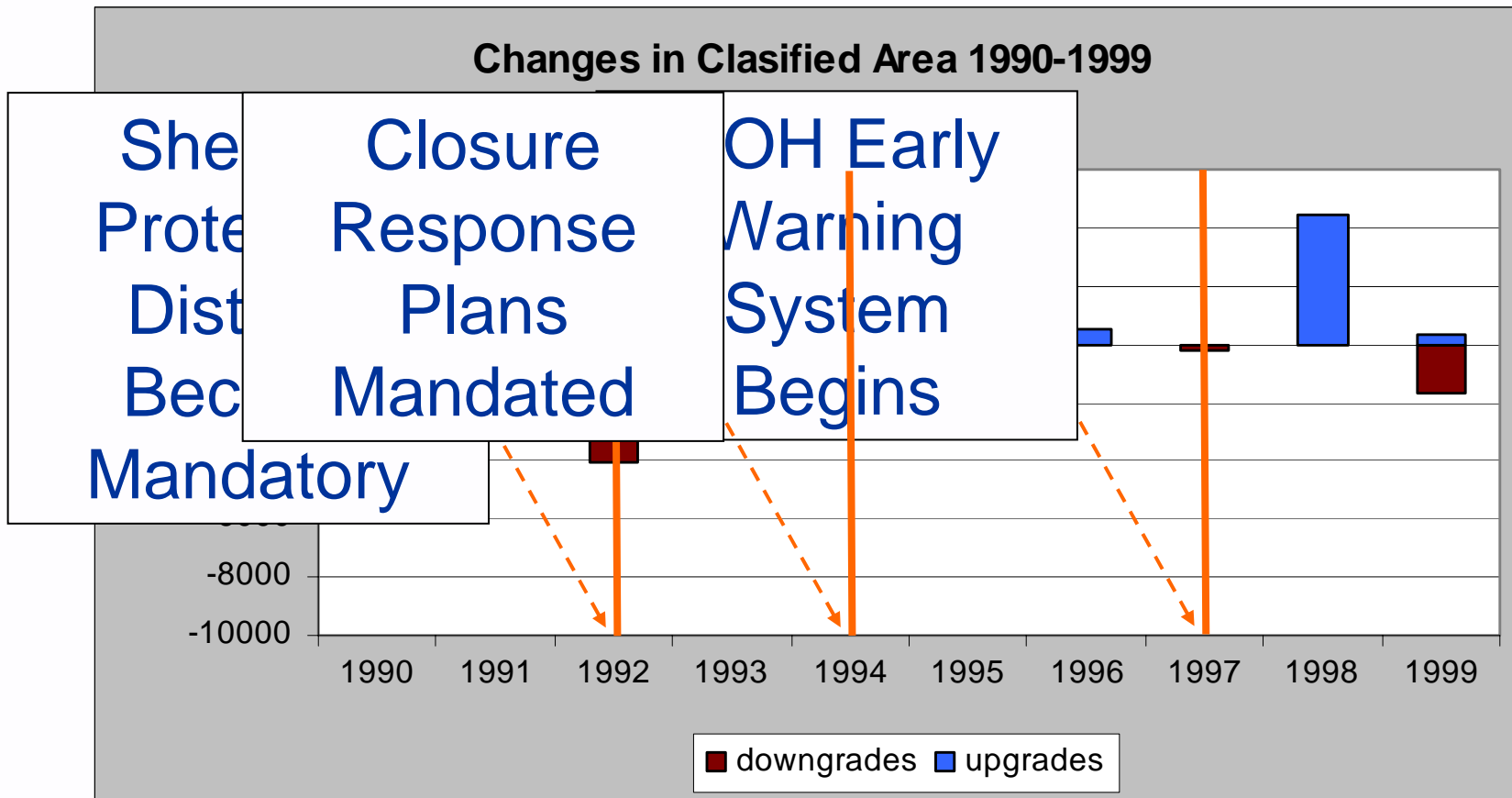


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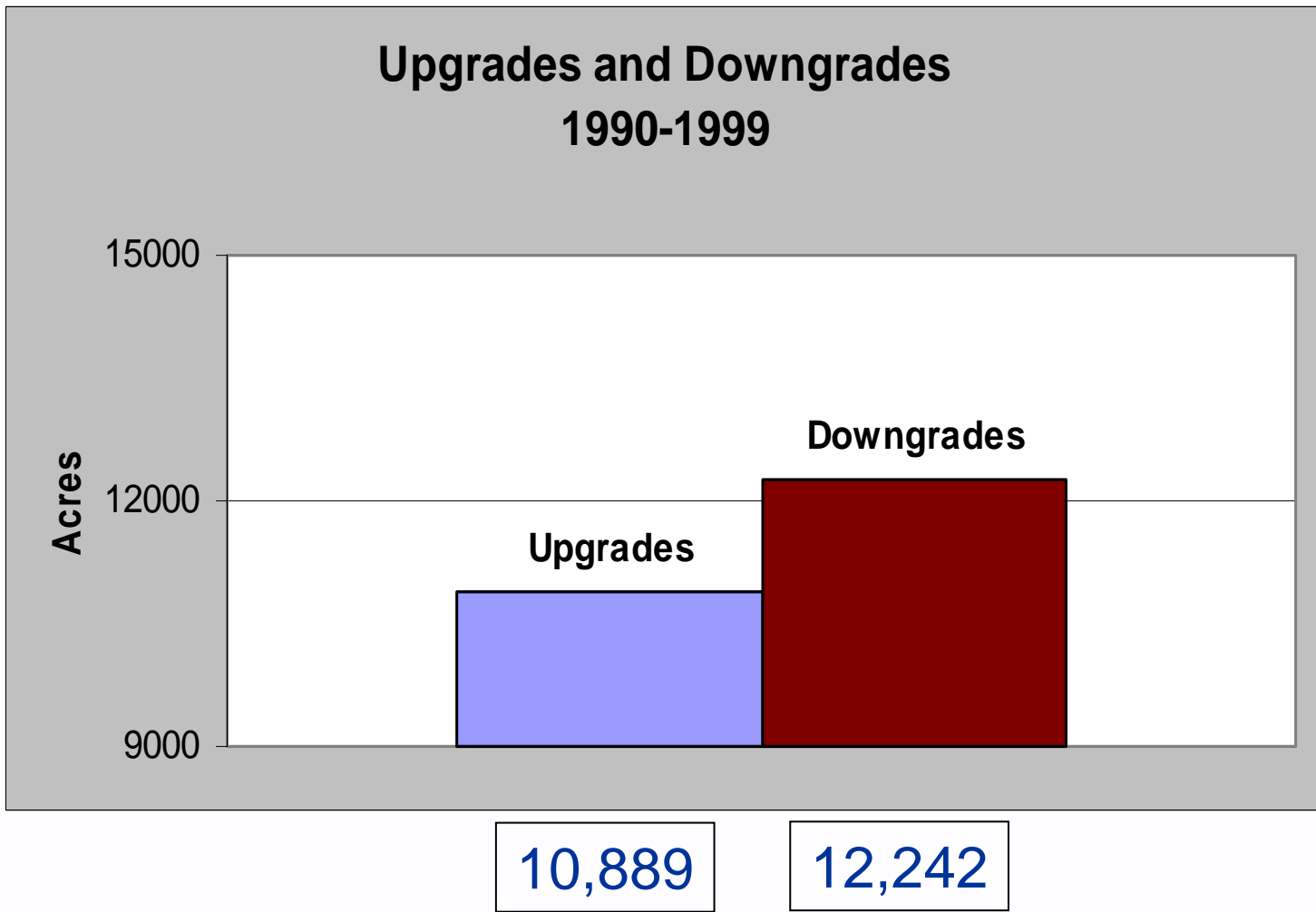


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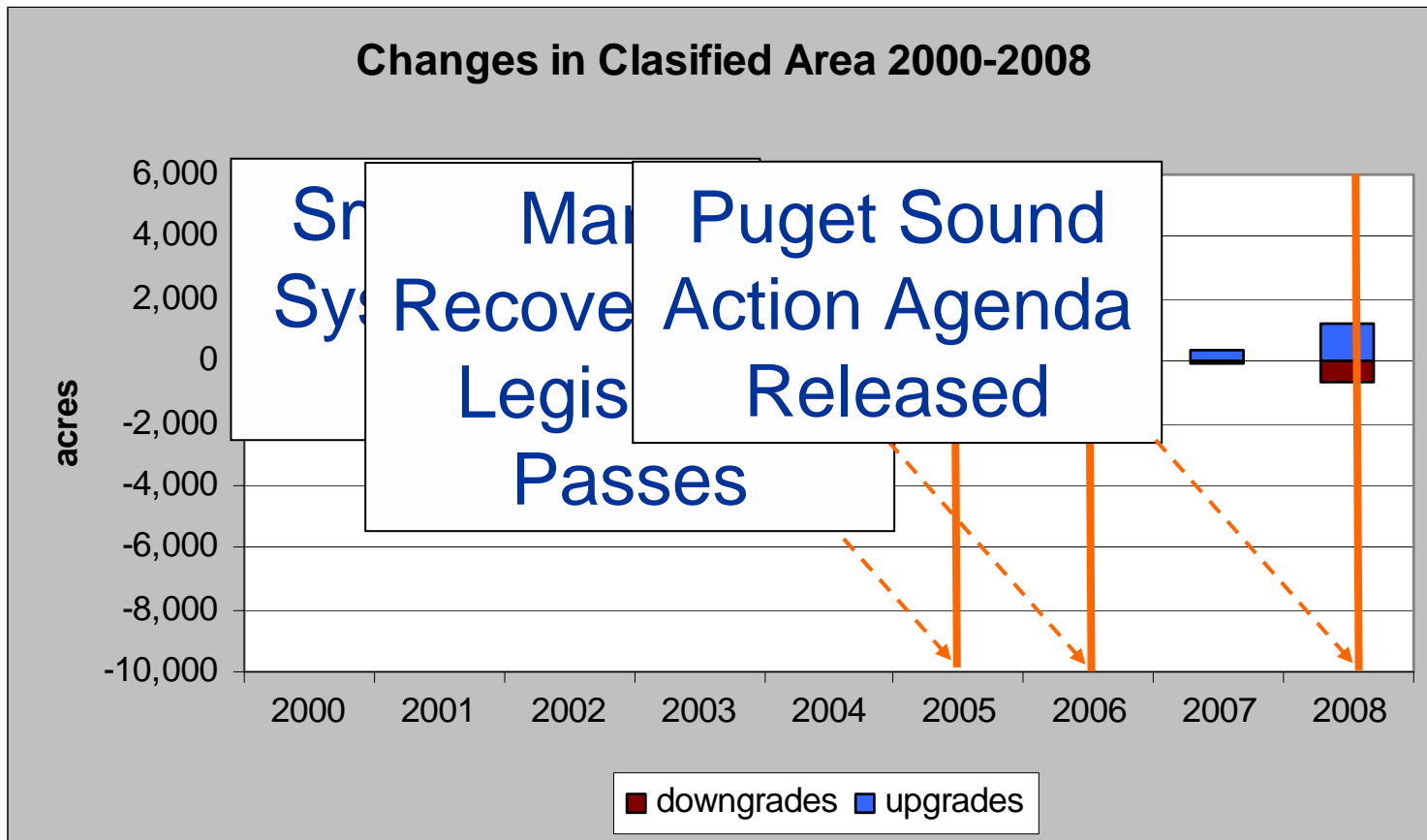
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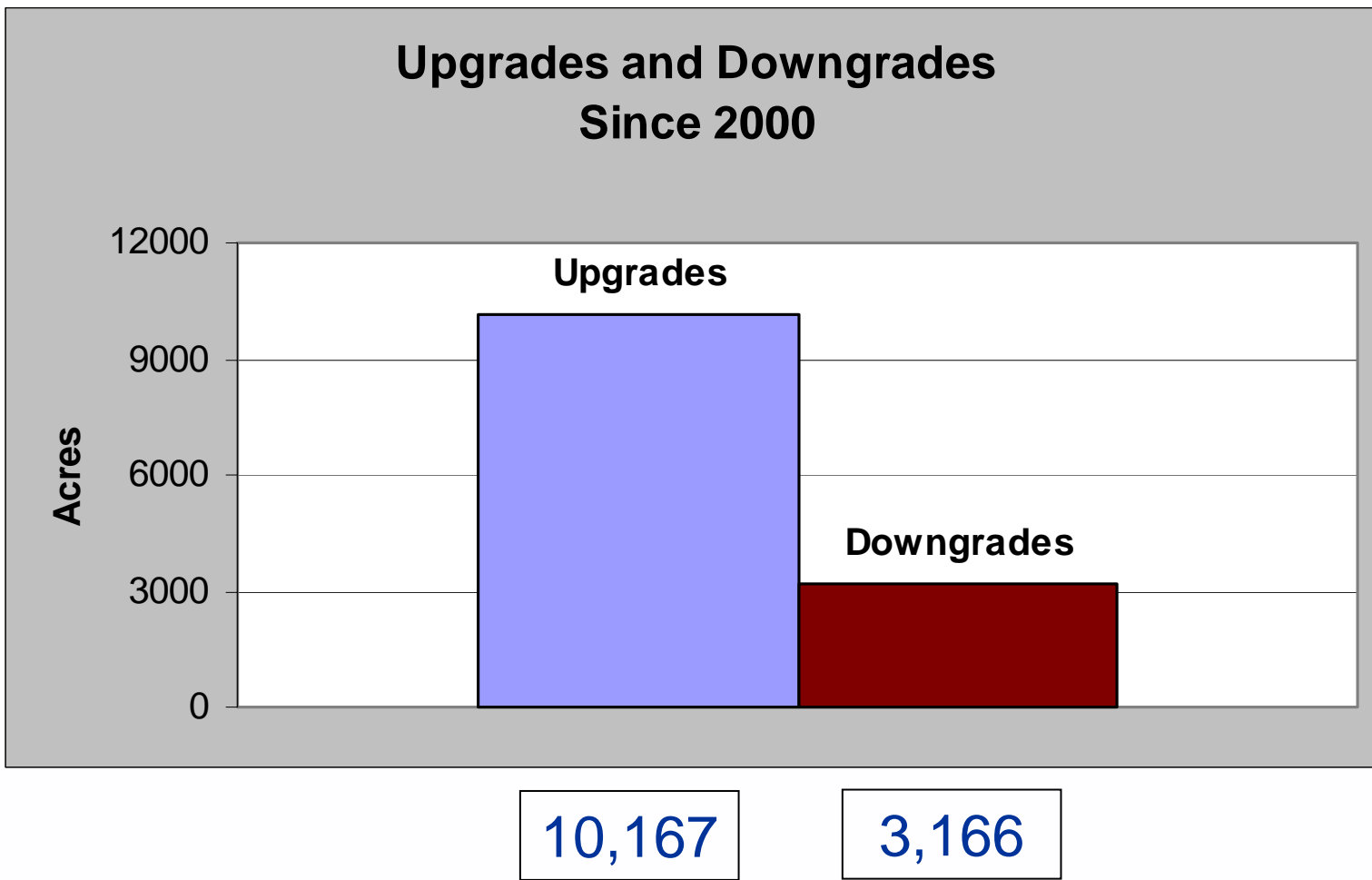
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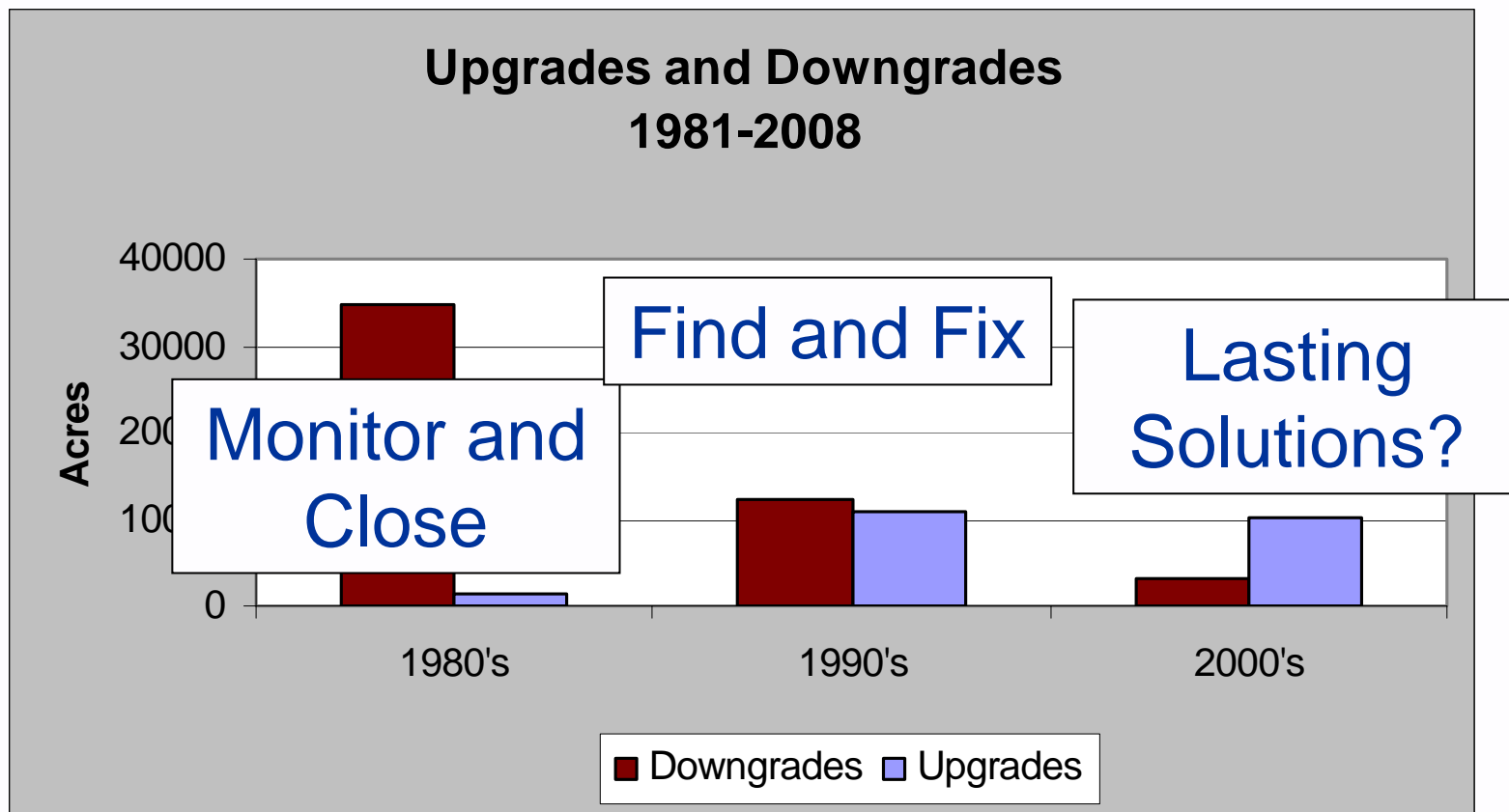
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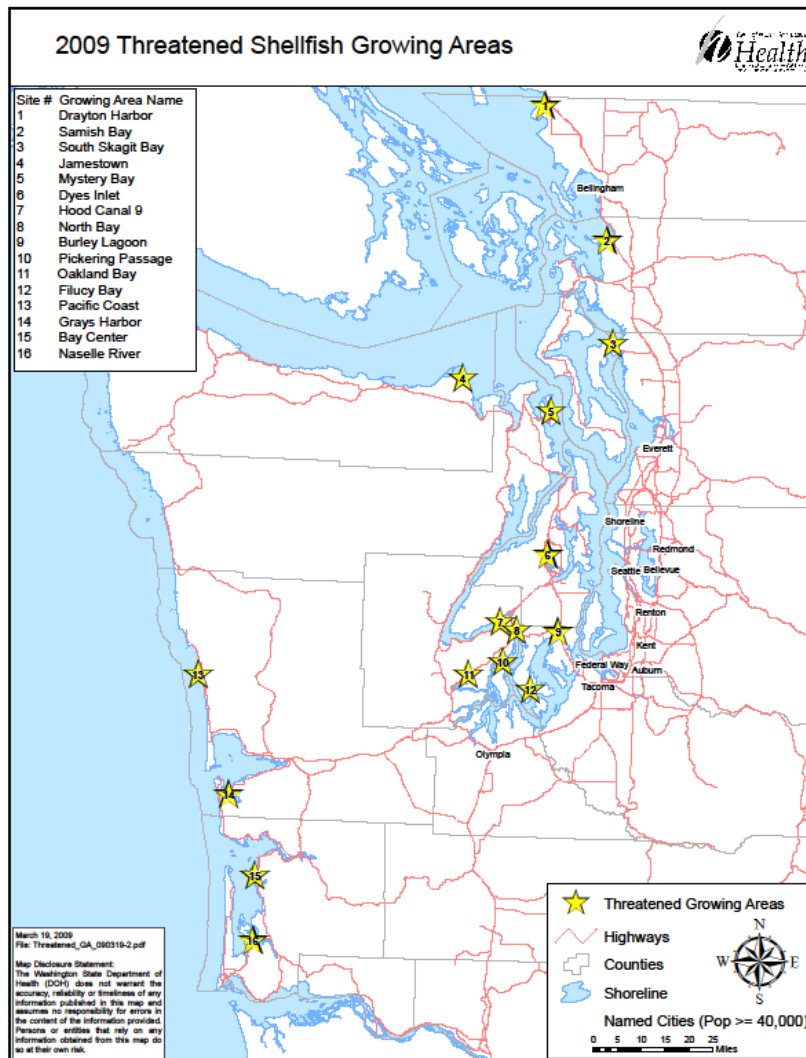
DOH Restoration Activities

- Early Warning System
- Closure Response Strategy
- Shellfish Protection Districts
- Typical DOH Activities
 - Enhanced Sampling
 - Data Analysis
 - Circulation Studies



Early Warning System

- Early Warning Report
- Notification of Agencies
- Grower Notification
- Press Release



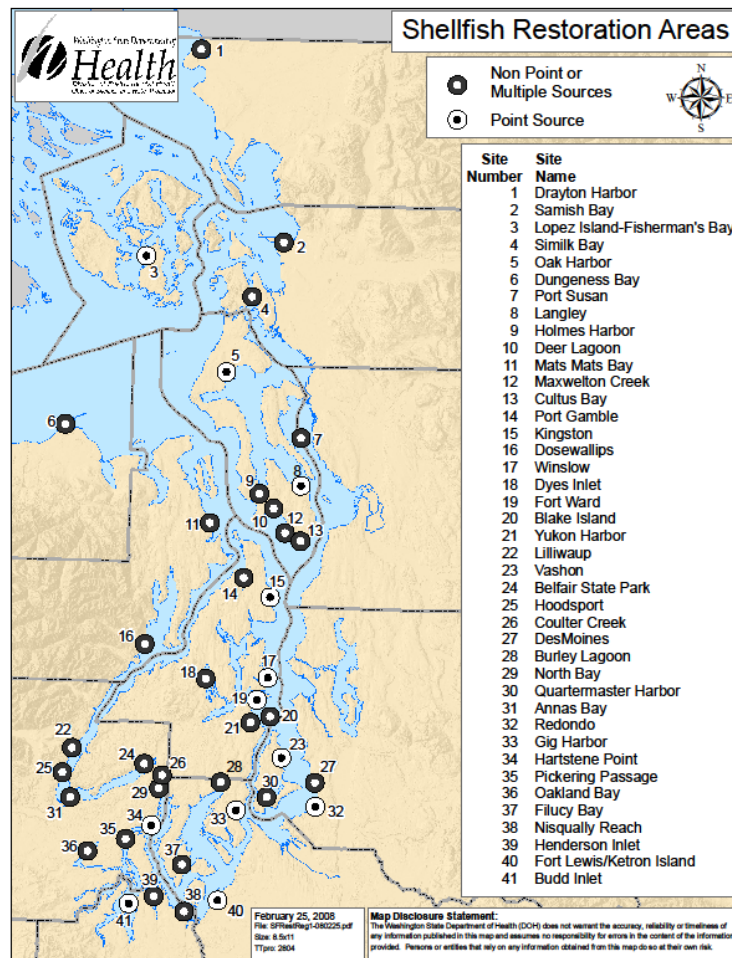
Shellfish Protection Districts

- Counties Form Districts
- Brings stakeholders together
- Organizes the restoration efforts
- Provides Accountability



2020 Shellfish Restoration Initiative

- Analysis of Potential Restoration Sites
- Goals
 - 500 acres per year
 - 10,000 acres by 2020



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