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# **SAVING ENDANGERED KILLER WHALES IS IT TIME FOR A SEA CHANGE TO ADVANCE RECOVERY?**

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Lynne will share highlights from her 25-year career focused on marine mammal conservation and endangered species recovery. She'll provide her perspectives about what the future may hold for the large-scale effort needed to save killer whales.

Lynne started her career as a field researcher studying dolphin behavior in Southern California and Western Australia. She worked for National Geographic's Crittercam team before entering public service with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). At NOAA, Lynne was the lead for the endangered listing of Southern Resident killer whales, recovery planning and implementation, critical habitat designations, and writing protective regulations, and she fostered partnerships and built a dedicated team to protect the whales, marine mammals, other listed species, and our ecosystem.

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