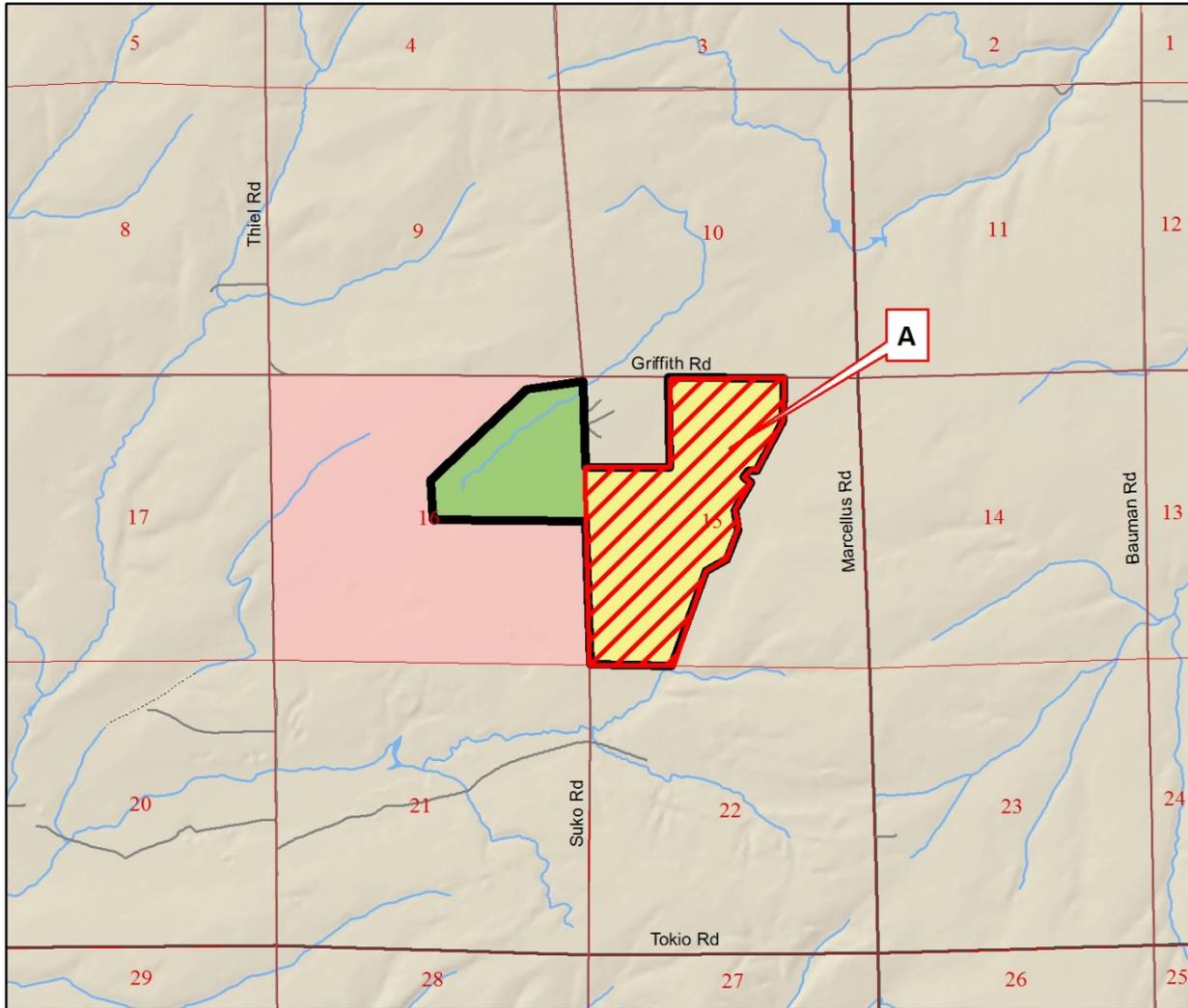


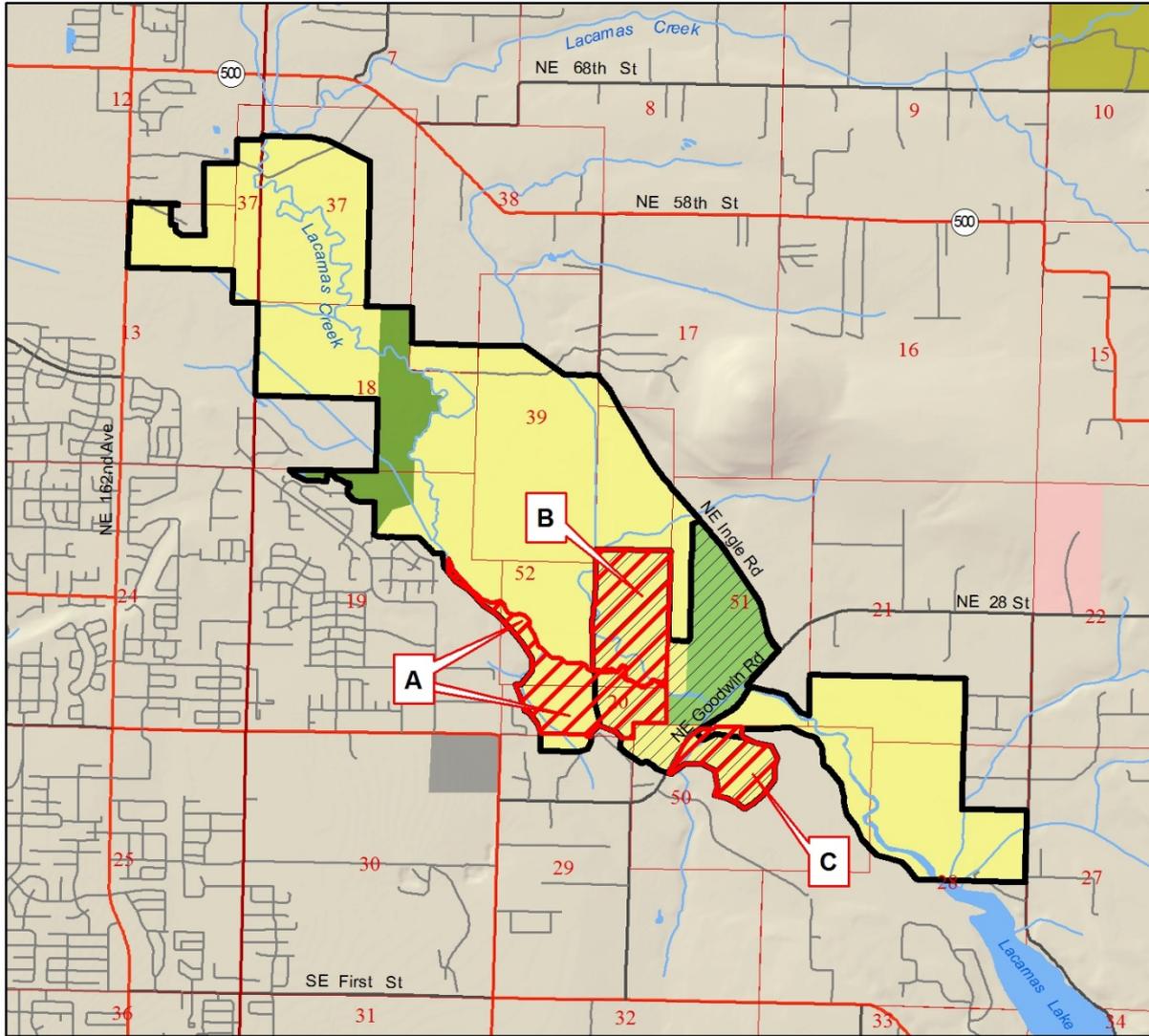
2016 STATE LAND ACQUISITION FORECAST FORUM

Habitat and Recreation Lands Coordinating Group



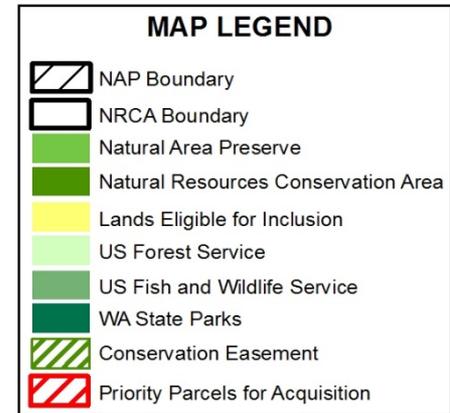
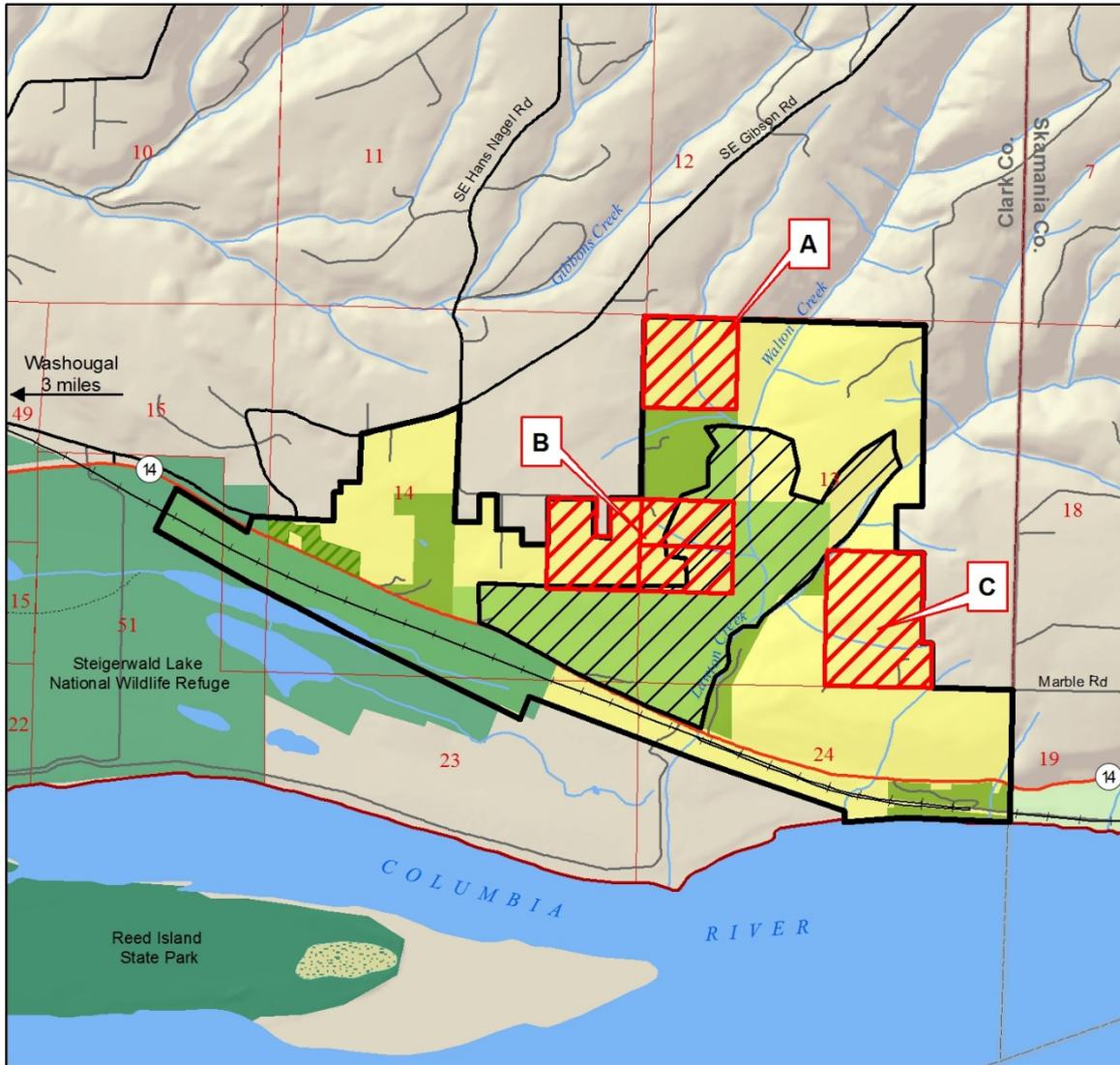
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of high quality shrub-steppe and vernal pond ecosystems. The site provides an extensive and high quality example of the Big Sagebrush / Idaho fescue ecosystem and a high quality stand of the Three-tip Sagebrush / Idaho fescue ecosystem. The site has excellent examples of the driest and shallowest vernal pond ecosystems found within the Columbia Plateau Ecoregion.
Current Use	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species. Protect or restore ecological processes.
Location	Approximately 7 miles north of Ritzville, Adams County.
Legislative District	#9
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. The Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife classifies Shrub-Steppe as Priority Habitats under their Priority Habitats and Species (PHS) program. The 2012 Washington Connected Landscape Project: Analysis of Columbia Plateau Ecoregion identifies protecting and restoring habitat within key linkage zones as priorities for maintaining or improving shrub-steppe habitat connectivity. Within approved boundary for NAP.
Project Outcomes	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species and ecosystems. Protect or restore ecological processes. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	DNR currently owns the adjacent 122 acres in preserve designation, managed for conservation.

Proposed Acres	271
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Natural Areas
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$467,475
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$ 3,510 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. \$ 700 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	The Nature Conservancy of Washington.



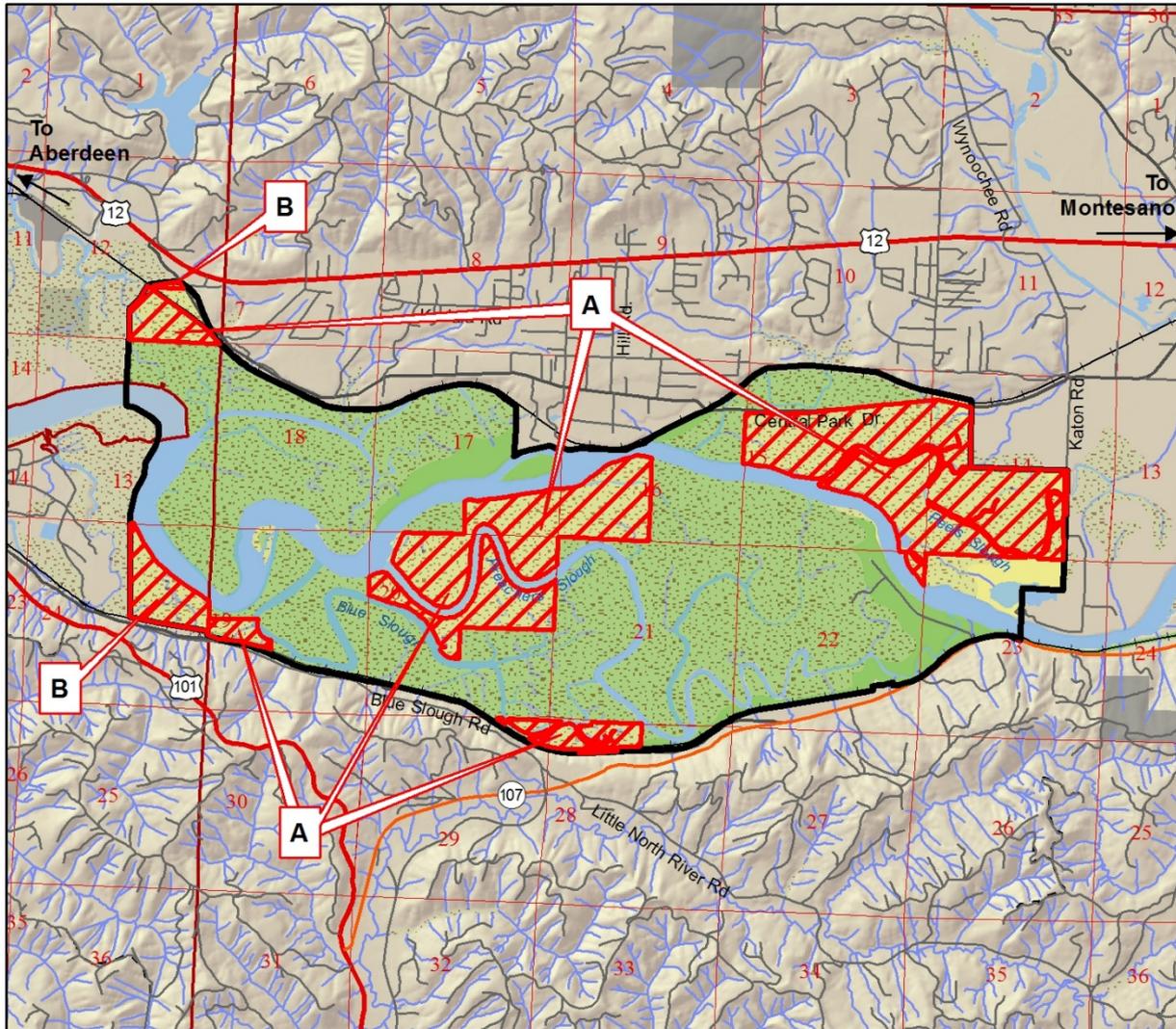
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Protection of rare plant ecosystems and rare species within the Puget Trough/Willamette Valley ecoregion. The Willamette Valley wet prairie ecosystem at this site represents the only example of its size and quality in Washington. These ecosystems are seriously threatened by habitat destruction and degradation in one of the most rapidly urbanizing counties in the state. The priority parcels also support Bradshaw's Lomatium, a globally critically imperiled, federally-listed endangered plant species, as well as five state sensitive plant species and one rare animal species, the Slender-billed White Breasted Nuthatch.
Current Use	Low-intensity grazing and buffer; Open space as part of adjacent development.
Location	Northeast of Vancouver Washington.
Legislative District	#18
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recovery plan for the federally listed plant species Bradshaw's lomatium. Within approved boundary for NAP/NRCA.
Project Outcomes	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species and ecosystems. Protect or restore ecological processes. Primary species is Bradshaw's lomatium, and a secondary conservation priority is the imperiled wet prairie ecosystem and Oregon white oak habitat. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	Currently own 201 acres in preserve designation and manage for conservation and restoration.

Proposed Acres	218
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Natural Areas
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$1,205,836
Anticipated Future Costs	\$ 2,330 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. \$ 800 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	Columbia Land Trust, Washington Nature Conservancy, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Clark County.



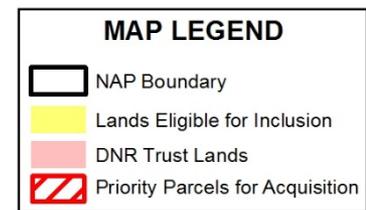
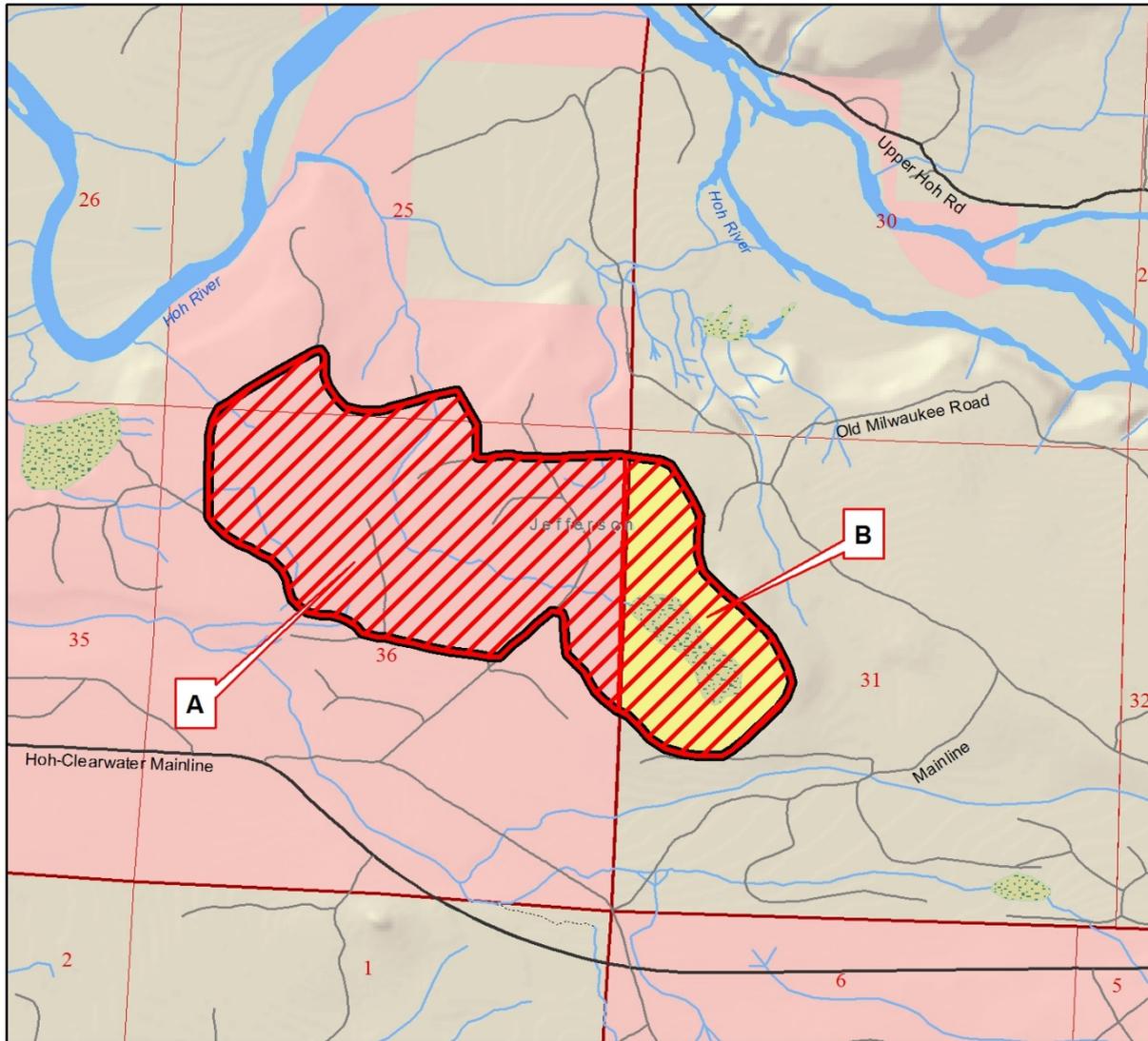
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of priority property located east of Washougal at the western edge of the Columbia River Gorge. This project area encompasses the largest high-quality native oak woodland remaining in western Washington.
Current Use	Undeveloped property with native habitat. Small-scale agriculture and buffer.
Location	Approximately 3.5 miles east of downtown Washougal on Highway 14.
Legislative District	#18
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Within approved boundary of NAP.
Project Outcomes	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species and ecosystems. Protect or restore ecological processes. Conservation priority is Oregon white oak habitat and related species. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	Currently own 164 acres in conservation designation, and manage for conservation and restoration.

Proposed Acres	221
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Natural Areas
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$1,248,683
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 3,830 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 800 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer. • \$ 130,000 -- One-time cost (likely RCO grant-funded) for restoration of oak forest habitat. • \$ 20,000 -- One-time capital appropriation for road work or other initial site management capital need.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	Columbia Land Trust, Vancouver Audubon Society, Washington Native Plant Society, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Research and conservation interest by Oregon Oak Communities Working Group, multiple U.S. Forest Service Research Station projects, the South Puget Sound Prairie and Oak Site Conservation Plan, and the Garry Oak Ecosystem Recovery Team.



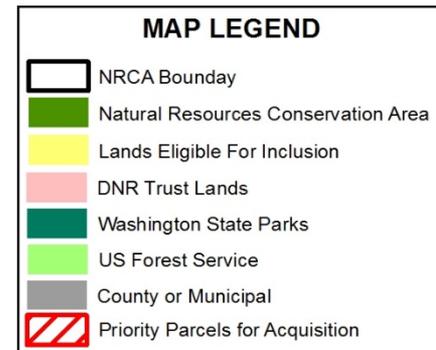
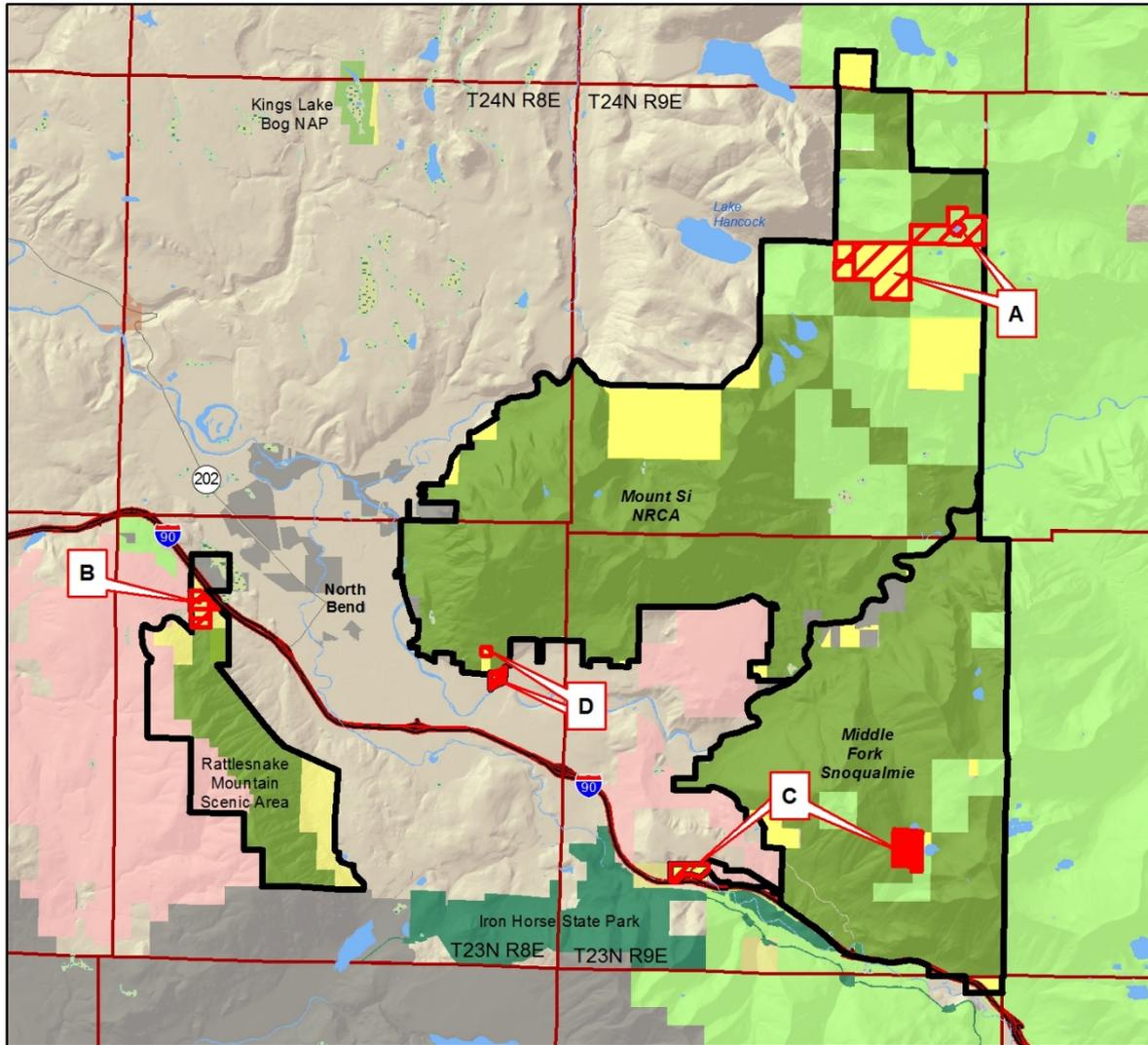
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of priority properties, including estuarine and riverine wetland communities, and habitat for salmon and other fish including the Olympic mud minnow. Restoration will occur on approximately 150 acres of wetlands, including removal of invasive species and planting of native species.
Current Use	Open space and riparian/uplands interface.
Location	Southwest of Montesano in Grays Harbor County.
Legislative District	#19
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Within approved boundary of NAP. Managed under the Chehalis River Surge Plain NAP Management Plan and in cooperation with the partner agencies of the Chehalis River Cooperative Weed Management Area.
Project Outcomes	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species and ecosystems. Protection and restoration of riparian habitat and ecological processes. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	DNR currently owns 3,024 acres in conservation designation, and manages for conservation and restoration.

Proposed Acres	1,186
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Riparian Protection
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$2,045,850
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 3,490 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 6.900 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	Grays Harbor Audubon, Friends of Grays Harbor, Chehalis Basin Education Consortium, Nature Conservancy of Washington, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the partner agencies of the Chehalis River Cooperative Weed Management Area.



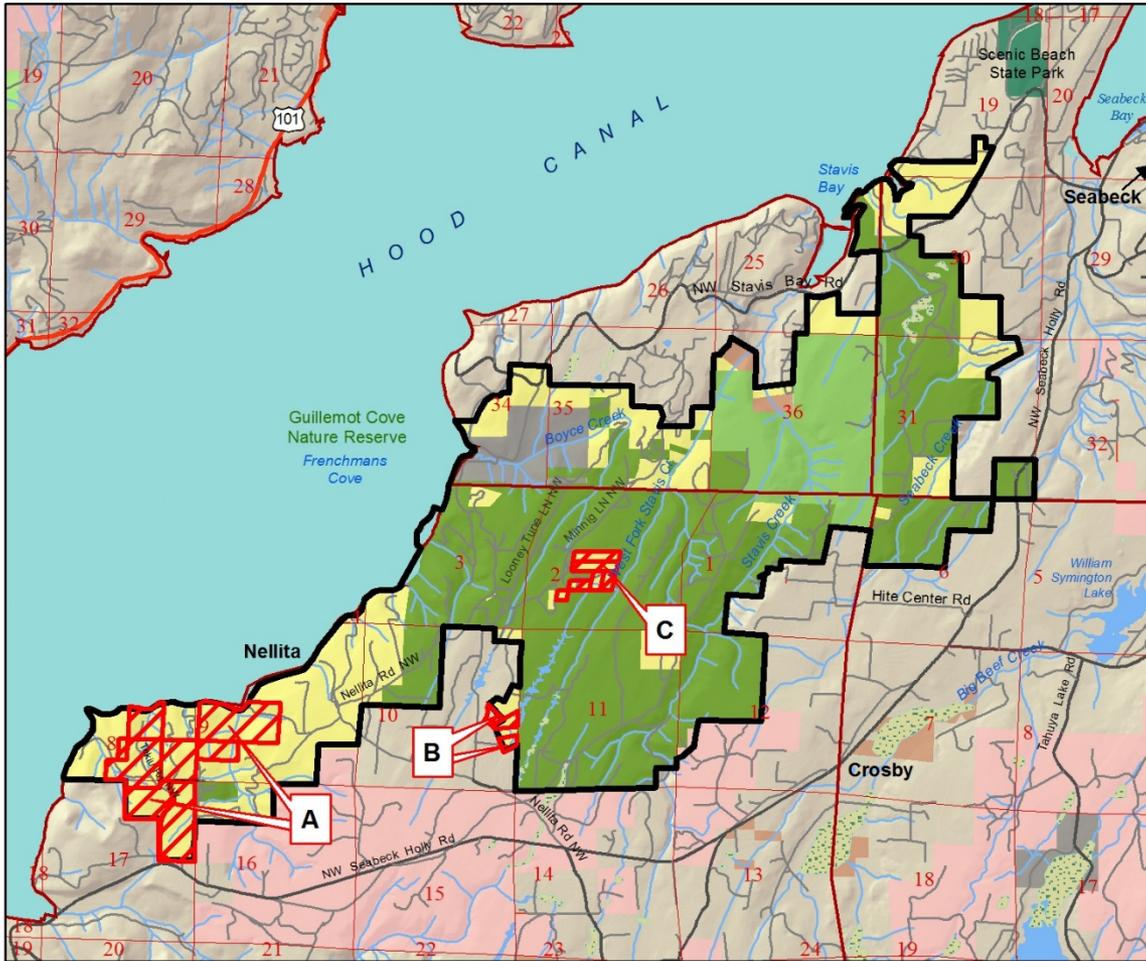
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Protection of the only known plateau bog in the western conterminous U.S., also includes forested sphagnum bog and low elevation sphagnum bog ecosystems and the Makah Copper butterfly.
Current Use	Forestry and riparian buffer
Location	Approximately 14 air miles southeast of Forks, just south of the Hoh River.
Legislative District	#24
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Within approved boundary for NAP/NRCA.
Project Outcomes	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species and ecosystems. Protection and restoration of riparian habitat and ecological processes. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	Preserve boundary established in January 2016.

Proposed Acres	325
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Natural Areas
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$1,495,000
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 3,050 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 2,800 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	To be determined.



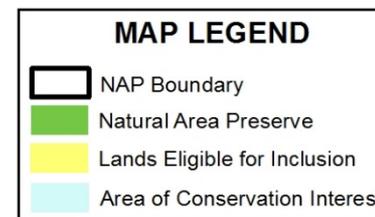
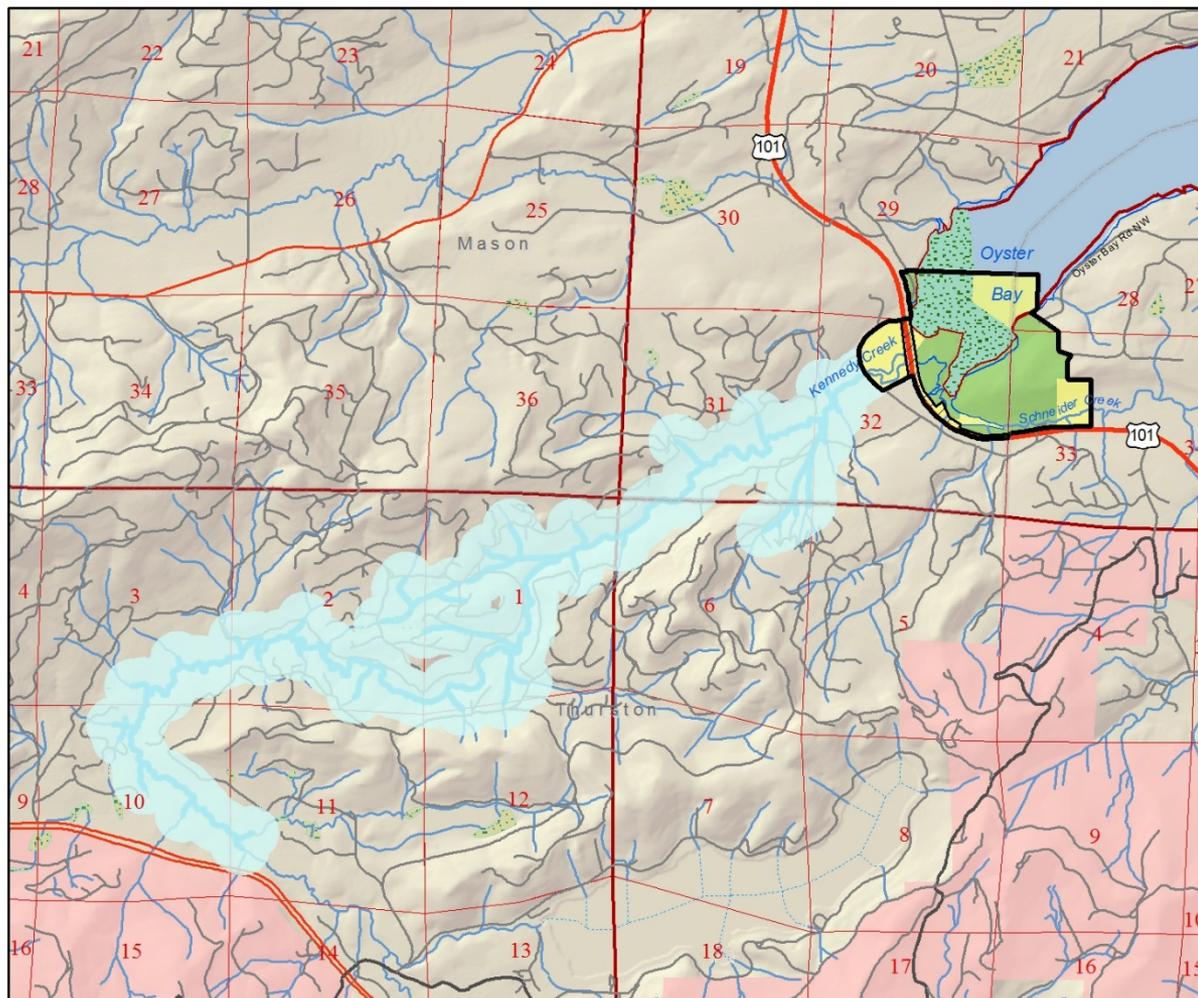
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of 917 acres , providing crucial wildlife habitat within the Mountains to Sound Greenway. Distinctive physical features of the property include old growth forests, snag-rich wildlife habitats, numerous riparian systems, cliffs, steep slopes, and wildlife corridors. The quality of this site is high due to the habitat diversity, remote character, and wildlife connections it provides in the surrounding landscape and region. A variety of wildlife use the area, including northern spotted owls.
Current Use	Forest lands (some in undeveloped residential parcels)
Location	Eastern King County outside of North Bend, Washington.
Legislative District	#5
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Each conservation area has a site-specific management plan and additional management direction is provided by the NRCA Statewide Management Plan. Each NRCA has an approved boundary.
Project Outcomes	Protect ecological processes and maintain wildlife habitat and scenic values. Access for environmental education, research and low-impact recreation (e.g., wildlife viewing, picnicking, photography).
Current Progress on Outcomes	Current ownership is: 13,073 at Mount Si NRCA, 9,000 at Middle Fork Snoqualmie NRCA, and 1,771 at Rattlesnake Mountain Scenic Area.

Proposed Acres	917
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Urban Wildlife Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund (Section 6)
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$2,636,375
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 7,750 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 9,500 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer. • \$ 20,000 -- One-time capital appropriation for road work or other initial site management capital need.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	King County, Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust, Forterra, Washington Trails Association, and the Washington Conservation Corps.



Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of priority properties that will greatly enhance the long-term viability and quality of wildlife habitat in the area, including high quality freshwater wetlands and streams as well as three rare forest communities, including one of the best remaining examples of Douglas fir-western huckleberry forest left in Washington State.
Current Use	Forest lands (some in undeveloped rural residential parcels)
Location	Near Bremerton’s Urban Growth Area in Kitsap County.
Legislative District	#35
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Within approved boundary for NAP/NRCA.
Project Outcomes	Protect ecological processes and maintain wildlife habitat and scenic values. Access for environmental education, research and low-impact recreation (e.g., wildlife viewing, picnicking, photography).
Current Progress on Outcomes	Currently own 2,855 acres in conservation designation, plus 572 acres in adjacent Kistap Forest NAP.

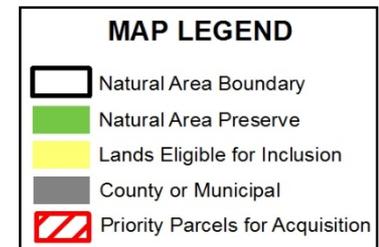
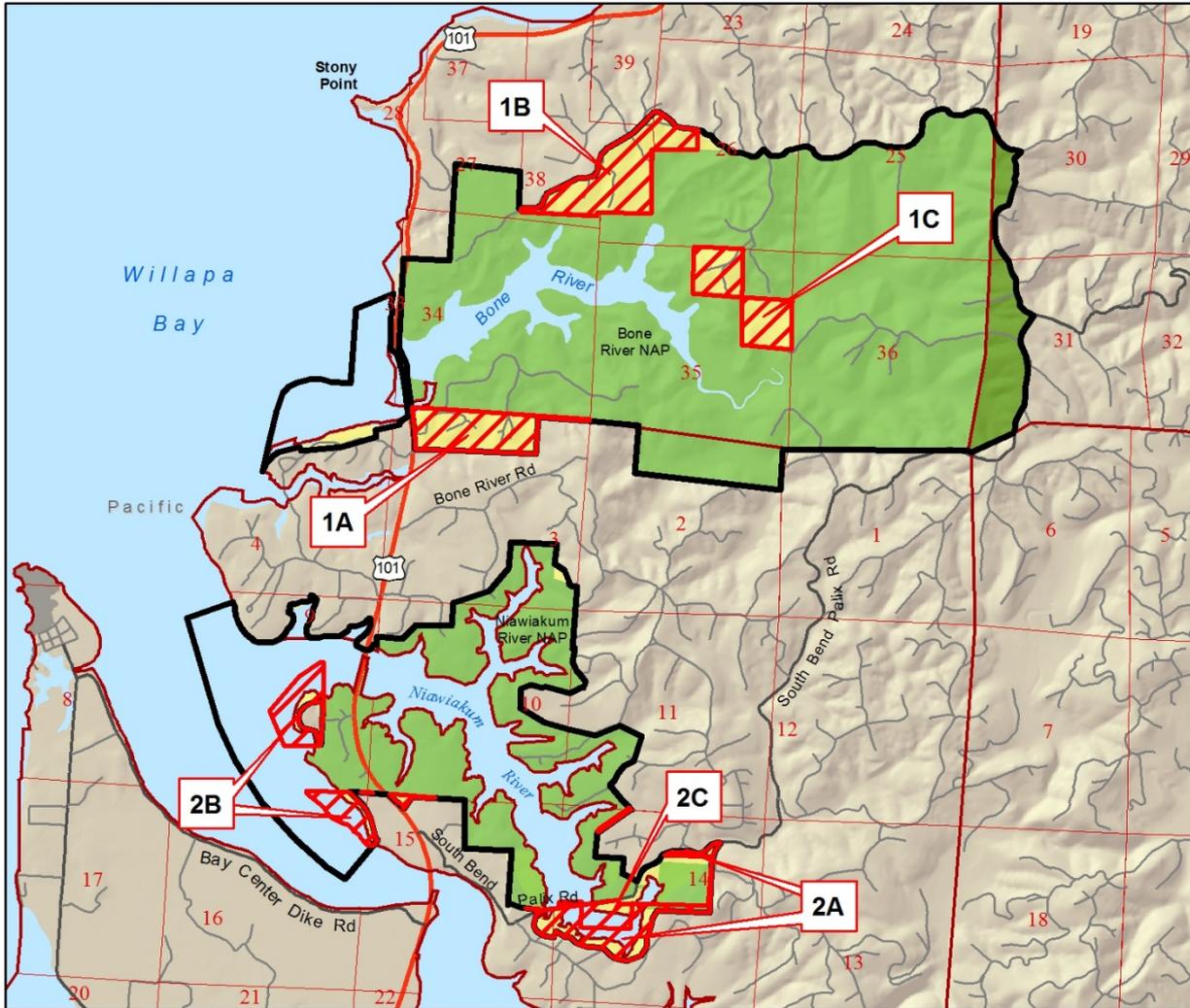
Proposed Acres	360
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Riparian Protection DOD: Encroachment Protection Agreement
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple and Conservation Easement
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$1,656,000
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 3,880 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 8,800 -- Annual “payment in lieu of taxes” (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer. • \$ 25,000 -- One-time capital appropriation for road work or other initial site management capital need.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	Department of Defense (U.S. Navy), Hood Canal Alliance, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Great Peninsula Conservancy, Kitsap County, Trust for Public Land, and The Nature Conservancy.



Preliminary project area map for a Kennedy Creek NRCA proposal.

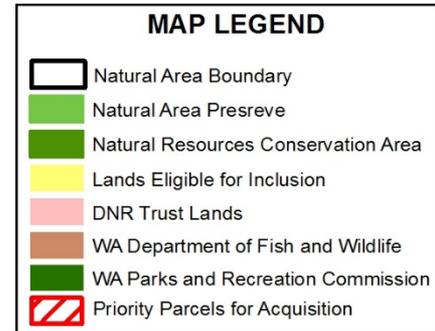
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	This project will contribute to the long-term maintenance of Kennedy Creek as high quality habitat for chum salmon and to the ecosystem health of the estuary at the mouth of Kennedy Creek (within the Kennedy Creek NAP). The project will also provide recreational access to the riparian corridor. Preliminary proposal for a Kennedy Creek NRCA.
Current Use	Forested riparian area under forest land management, and related riparian open space buffer.
Location	Near Highway 101 near the Mason-Thurston County line, approximately 12 miles west of Olympia.
Legislative District	#35
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan, in support of existing Kennedy Creek NAP.
Project Outcomes	Protect ecological processes and habitat for salmonids. Access for environmental education, research and low-impact recreation (e.g., wildlife viewing, photography).
Current Progress on Outcomes	Scope of boundary expansion under review. Existing Kennedy Creek NAP is 207 acres.

Proposed Acres	840
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Riparian Protection
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$4,312,500
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 19,350 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 25,000 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	To be determined.



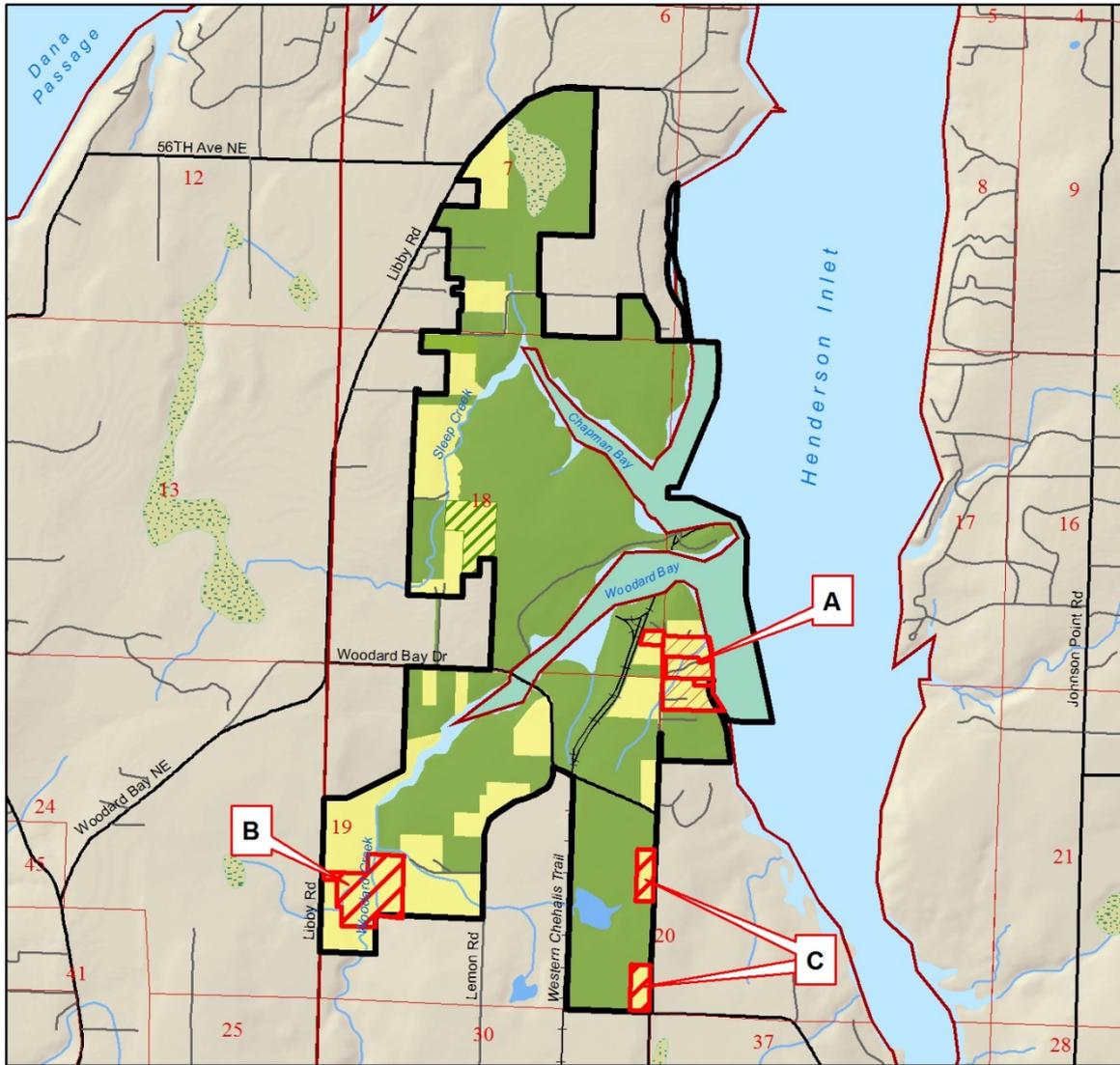
Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of high priority properties within Bone River and Niawiakum River Natural Area Preserves. The project will contribute to the maintenance of the ecosystem health of these two high quality estuarine ecosystems.
Current Use	Forest lands (some in undeveloped rural residential parcels)
Location	Adjacent coastal watersheds between Bruceport and Bay Center Junction on Highway 101 in Pacific County.
Legislative District	#19
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Within approved NAP boundaries.
Project Outcomes	Habitat for endangered, threatened, or sensitive species and ecosystems. Protect or restore ecological processes. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	Currently own 2,720 acres at Bone River NAP. Currently own 1,098 acres at Niawiakum River NAP.

Proposed Acres	449
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Natural Areas
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$2,015,145
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 2,550 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 2,500 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Nature Conservancy of Washington, Forterra, and the Washington Native Plant Society.



Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of waterfront properties on Cypress Island, eliminating the risk of conversion to incompatible and/or ecologically irreversible uses. The natural area provides opportunities for directed public use and environmental education, while protecting critical habitat and rare plant communities.
Current Use	Forest lands (some in undeveloped rural residential parcels)
Location	Cypress Island, within the San Juan Archipelago.
Legislative District	#40
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Within approved natural area boundary.
Project Outcomes	Protect ecological processes and habitat for salmonids. Access for environmental education, research and low-impact recreation (e.g., wildlife viewing, photography).
Current Progress on Outcomes	Currently own 1,072 acres in NAP designation and 4,134 acres in NRCA designation.

Proposed Acres	140
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Natural Areas
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$2,308,510
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 1,620 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 5,000 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer. • \$ 80,000 -- One-time cost (likely RCO grant-funded) for restoration of riparian and forest habitat.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	Audubon Society, Native Plant Society, Nature Conservancy of Washington, San Juan County Land Bank, Skagit Land Trust, San Juan Preservation Trust, and The Trust for Public Lands.



Agency	Department of Natural Resources
Proposed Project Description and Purpose	Acquisition of properties occur along the shoreline of Henderson Inlet, portions of Woodard Creek and other small tributaries. The project will help protect important habitat for wildlife, including nesting Bald Eagles, a significant heron rookery and the largest harbor seal nursery in south Puget Sound.
Current Use	Forest lands (some in undeveloped residential parcels)
Location	Approximately 5 miles north from downtown Olympia.
Legislative District	#22
Planning Link	Implements conservation priorities of the State of Washington Natural Heritage Plan. Managed under the Woodard Bay NRCA Management Plan. Within approved natural area boundary.
Project Outcomes	Protect ecological processes and wildlife habitat. Access for environmental education and research.
Current Progress on Outcomes	Currently own 881 acres at Woodard Bay NRCA.

Proposed Acres	53
Proposed Funding Source	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program: Urban Wildlife
Type of Acquisition	Fee Simple
Proposed Acquisition Cost	\$2,987,643
Anticipated Future Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ 1,520 -- Estimated base-level, continuing annual operating costs for site visits, routine weed control and property management, annual forest assessments, etc. • \$ 2,200 -- Annual "payment in lieu of taxes" (or PILT), which is paid directly to county by the State Treasurer. • \$ 95,000 -- One-time cost (likely RCO grant-funded) for saltwater-adjacent upland field restoration. • \$ 25,000 -- One-time capital appropriation for road work or other initial site management capital need.
Revenue Generation	None anticipated.
Partnerships	US Army Corps of Engineers, US Environmental Protection Agency, Washington Department of Ecology, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, People for Puget Sound, Nature Conservancy of Washington, and the Squaxin Island Tribe.

This section describes the habitat and recreation land acquisition missions and processes of the Department of Natural Resources, Department of Fish and Wildlife, and State Parks and Recreation Commission.

State agency acquisition goals are based on recreation and conservation needs expressed by the public, and on state and federal legal requirements to provide recreational opportunities and protect threatened and endangered fish, wildlife and plants. Each agency has distinct missions directed by legislation designed to meet those needs. Agency acquisition plans establish criteria for identifying priority purchases that will best fulfill the agency mission, and processes for pursuing the priorities.

Department of Natural Resources	Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Parks and Recreation Commission
<p>Mission: Set aside, preserve, and protect natural areas for present and future generations (Revised Code of Washington 79.70)</p>	<p>Missions: Preserve, perpetuate, and manage fish and wildlife species (Revised Code of Washington 77.04)</p> <p>Maximize opportunities for hunting, fishing, and appreciating fish and wildlife (Revised Code of Washington 77.04)</p>	<p>Missions: Increase access to free or low cost recreational opportunities (Revised Code of Washington 79A.05)</p> <p>Acquire and manage state park lands to maintain and enhance ecological, aesthetic, and recreational purposes (Revised Code of Washington 79A.05)</p>
<p>Statewide Plan: Natural Heritage Plan (2011)</p>	<p>Statewide Plan: Lands 20/20 Vision (2005)</p>	<p>Statewide Plan: Centennial 2013 Plan (2003)</p>
<p>Statewide Objectives: Identify priority ecosystems and species for conservation.</p> <p>Build and maintain a database for priority ecosystems and species.</p> <p>Share and use the information to ensure potential public and private acquisitions have high conservation value.</p>	<p>Statewide Objectives: Provide benefits for fish and wildlife (identify and prioritize crucial habitats for priority species and habitats as identified in department plans).</p> <p>Provide benefits for the public (available and accessible recreation; research and education; local economic benefits).</p> <p>Practicality (fiscal accountability, stewardship, partnership and citizen involvement, wildlife area management plans)</p>	<p>Statewide Objectives: Fix what we have.</p> <p>Upgrade existing parks, trails, and services.</p> <p>Add new parks, trails, and services and work towards opening new parks.</p>

State Agency Habitat and Recreation Land Acquisition Priorities

Department of Natural Resources	Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Parks and Recreation Commission
<p>Natural Area Preserves Representative examples of highest quality native ecosystems</p> <p>Rare or diminishing plant or animal populations</p>	<p>Natural Area Preserves Representative examples of highest quality native ecosystems</p> <p>Populations of endangered, threatened, sensitive, rare, or diminishing animal species</p>	<p>Natural Area Preserves Representative examples of highest quality native ecosystems</p>
<p>Natural Resources Conservation Areas Objective: Areas with high priority for conservation, natural systems, wildlife, and low-impact public use values</p> <p>Criteria: Flora, fauna, geological, archaeological, scenic or similar features; native ecological communities; connectivity between protected areas; protection of Natural Area Preserves core area; and opportunities for low impact public use</p>	<p>Wildlife Areas Objective: Focus on lands that are necessary to recover, maintain, or enhance the integrity of priority species, habitats, and ecosystems.</p> <p>Criteria: Priority species, habitat values, biodiversity, appropriate and accessible recreation, research and education, economics, fiscal accountability, stewardship, partnership and citizen involvement.</p>	<p>Classification and Management Planning (CAMP) Includes: Natural Area Preserves, Natural/Natural Forest Areas, Resource Recreation Areas, Recreation Areas, and Heritage Areas.</p> <p>Objective: Protect a view shed or for stewardship of natural and cultural resources.</p> <p>Criteria: Significance, popularity, experiences, uniqueness, flora and fauna, scenery size, condition, and revenue.</p>
<p>Recreation Lands Objective: The Department of Natural Resources does not buy land primarily for recreation purposes.</p>	<p>Recreation Lands Objective: Acquire property to provide fish and wildlife-related recreational opportunities for the public and for department administrative support.</p> <p>Criteria: Need, site suitability and design, diversity and compatibility, performance measures, public benefit ,and population proximity.</p>	<p>Recreation Lands Objective: Acquire parkland for outdoor recreational opportunities for the public</p> <p>Criteria: Significance, popularity, experiences, uniqueness, flora and fauna, scenery size, condition, and revenue</p>