



King County

Metropolitan King County Council Committee of the Whole

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item No.:	5	Date:	20 May 2009
Proposed Ordinance No.:	2009-0245	Prepared by:	Rebecha Cusack Nick Wagner

BACKGROUND

Proposed Ordinance 2009-0245 (Attachment 1, pp. 3-6 of these materials) would place on the November 2009 general election ballot a charter amendment (the “Open Space Amendment” or “OSA”) recommended by the 2007-2008 King County Charter Review Commission (“CRC”). Attachment 2 (p. 7 of these materials) is a diagram of the provisions of the OSA. If placed on the ballot and approved by the voters, the OSA would provide an additional tier of protection for about 150,000 acres of “high conservation value” properties either owned by the county or in which the county holds a conservation easement.

Councilmembers were given high-level briefings on the OSA at the April 8 and May 13 meetings of this committee. In addition, Executive staff have been briefing councilmembers on the 94 individual properties that the Executive is proposing for protection under the OSA.

BRIEFING ON SPECIFIC PROPERTIES

This week Executive staff will conclude its briefings on the individual properties. These briefings have been intended to:

- Familiarize the committee with the physical characteristics and current use of each property and the extent to which it is currently protected against development;
- Allow councilmembers to ask questions of Executive staff about each property.

The 14 remaining properties that will be described and discussed at the May 20 COW meeting are:

1. Snoqualmie Forest (District 3)
2. Soos Creek 140th Open Space (District 9)
3. Spring Lake/Lake Desire Park (District 9)
4. Squak Mt/Tiger Mt Corridor (Districts 3 & 9)
5. Stillwater Natural Area (District 3)
6. Sugarloaf Mountain Forest (District 9)

7. Taylor Mountain Forest (District 9)
8. Three Forks Natural Area (District 3)
9. Tollgate Farm - portion (District 3)
10. Tolt River Natural Area (District 3)
11. Upper Bear Creek Conservation Area (District 3)
12. Upper Green River Watershed Forest (District 9)
13. Wetland 14 Natural Area (District 9)
14. Wetland 79 Natural Area (District 9)

In addition, in case the county's proposed purchase of a conservation easement in the Raging River Headwaters (located in Districts 3 and 9) is successfully closed¹ and the Council wishes to add it to the list of properties that are proposed for protection, Executive staff will be briefing the committee on that property as well.

A complete list of the 94 properties in alphabetical order (excluding the Raging River Headwaters) is included in Attachment 3 to this staff report (pp. 9-10).

Also included in Attachment 3 are (a) an alphabetical list of properties that have been excluded from the list of properties that are proposed for protection under the OSA, together with the reason for each property's exclusion (pp. 11-14) and (b) alphabetical lists of the included and excluded properties, grouped by Council district (pp. 15-20).

NEXT STEPS IN COW

- May 27: Proposed Ordinance 2009-0245, incl. chair's proposed striking amendment: discussion only;
- June 24: Proposed Ordinance 2009-0245: discussion and possible action.

INVITEES

1. Charter Review Commission members
2. Rod Brandon, Director of Environmental Sustainability, Executive Office
3. Bob Burns, Deputy Director, Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP)
4. Ingrid Lundin, Natural Lands Planner, DNRN

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¹ The purchase was approved by Ordinance 16495.



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Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

April 27, 2009

Ordinance

Proposed No. 2009-0245.1

Sponsors Ferguson

1 AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to Section 880
2 of the King County Charter, addition of a new Section 897 to
3 the King County Charter and addition of a new Charter
4 Appendix A to the King County Charter, to restrict the
5 county from conveying or converting uses of specified
6 county-owned, high conservation value properties except
7 by an amendment of the charter; and submitting the same to
8 the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at
9 the November 2009 general election.

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11 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
12 SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the voters of King County for their
13 approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county
14 occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment
15 to Section 880 of the King County Charter, addition of a new Section 897 to the King
16 County Charter and addition of a new Charter Appendix A to the King County Charter:
17 **Section 880 Compilation and Codification of Ordinances.**

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18 Within two years after the effective date of this charter and as often thereafter as it
19 deems necessary, the county council shall provide for a compilation and codification of
20 all county ordinances and regulations which have the force of law and are permanent or
21 general in nature. Each codification shall be presented to the county council and, when
22 adopted by ordinance, shall be known as the "King County Code." It shall be published
23 together with this charter, excluding the list of inventoried high conservation value
24 properties maintained under Section 897 of this charter, a detailed index and appropriate
25 notes, citations and annotations. The county council shall also provide for an annual
26 supplement.

27 **Section 897. High Conservation Value Properties.**

28 The county shall preserve the high conservation value county real properties listed
29 on the inventory set forth as Appendix A to this charter. The inventory includes only
30 properties in which the county has a real property interest. Appendix A shall be retained by
31 the clerk of the council and available for public inspection and copying. Appendix A may
32 be revised only by an amendment to this charter. No inventoried county property interest
33 shall ever be conveyed, relinquished or converted to a different use than was authorized at
34 the time of acquisition, as evidenced by deed, easement, covenant, contract or funding
35 source requirements, except that this section shall not prevent: the conveyance of an
36 inventoried property interest to another government, the conveyance of an inventoried
37 property interest under the lawful threat or exercise of eminent domain; the grant of an
38 easement, license, franchise or use agreement for utilities or other activities compatible
39 with use restrictions in place at the time of acquisition; or the use of an inventoried property
40 interest for habitat restoration, flood control, low-impact public amenities or regionally

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41 significant public facilities developed for purposes related to the conservation values of the
42 property, road or utility projects or emergency projects necessary to protect public health,
43 welfare or safety. This section shall not affect any contractual obligations entered into as
44 part of the county's acquisition of an inventoried property interest.

45 **Charter Appendix A.** Charter Appendix A, as set forth in Attachment A to this
46 Ordinance, is hereby adopted.

47 **SECTION 2.** The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the manager
48 of the elections division, in substantially the following form, with such additions,
49 deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

50 Shall the King County Charter be amended to amend Section 880 and to
51 add new Section 897 and new Charter Appendix A, which restrict the
52 county from conveying or converting uses of specified county-owned,

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53 high conservation value properties except upon enactment of a charter
54 amendment?
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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, _____.

Attachments A. Charter Appendix A: Inventory of High Conservation Value Properties

Diagram of the CRC-proposed Open Space Amendment

- A. “The county shall preserve the high conservation value county real properties listed on the inventory set forth as Appendix A to this charter.”
- B. “The inventory includes only properties in which the county has a real property interest.”
- C. “Appendix A shall be retained by the clerk of the council and available for public inspection and copying.”
- D. “Appendix A may be revised only by an amendment to this charter.”
- E. “No inventoried county property interest shall ever be”
 - 1. “conveyed,”
 - 2. “relinquished or”
 - 3. “converted to a different use than was authorized at the time of acquisition, as evidenced by deed, easement, covenant, contract or funding source requirements,”
- F. “except that this section shall not prevent:”
 - 1. “the conveyance of an inventoried property interest to another government,”
 - 2. “the conveyance of an inventoried property interest under the lawful threat or exercise of eminent domain;”
 - 3. “the grant of an easement, license, franchise or use agreement for utilities or other activities compatible with use restrictions in place at the time of acquisition; or”
 - 4. “the use of an inventoried property interest for”
 - a. “habitat restoration,”
 - b. “flood control,”
 - c. “low-impact public amenities or regionally significant public facilities developed for purposes related to the conservation values of the property,”
 - d. “road or utility projects or”
 - e. “emergency projects necessary to protect public health, welfare or safety.”
- G. “This section shall not affect any contractual obligations entered into as part of the county's acquisition of an inventoried property interest.”
- H. “Charter Appendix A, as set forth in Attachment A to this Ordinance, is hereby adopted.”

Summary List of High Conservation Value Properties - sorted alphabetically
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(The inventory was created from King County DNRP Parks & TDR property inventory as of 12/31/2008)

I. INCLUDED IN CHARTER AMENDMENT INVENTORY					
Site Name	Land Category	Council District	Acres (Fee)	Acres (Easement)	
Ames Lake Forest	Resource	3	0	425	
Auburn Narrows Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7	16	0	
Bass Lake Complex Natural Area	Ecological	9	164	0	
Belmondo Reach Natural Area	Ecological	9	13	0	
Big Spring/Newaukum Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	0	17	
Black Diamond Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7 & 9	427	0	
BN Peninsula Natural Area	Ecological	9	27	0	
Boxley Creek Site	Multi-Use	3	147	0	
Carey Creek Natural Area	Ecological	9	0	10	
Carnation Marsh Natural Area	Ecological	3	68	12	
Carvalho Pond Natural Area	Ecological	9	57	0	
Cedar Downs Site	Multi-Use	9	78	0	
Cedar Grove Natural Area	Ecological	9	75	0	
Cedar Grove Road Natural Area	Ecological	9	3	0	
Cemetery Reach Natural Area	Ecological	9	46	0	
Chinook Bend Natural Area	Ecological	3	71	0	
Christiansen Pond Natural Area	Ecological	8	0	19	
Cold Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	130	0	
Congan Mountain Regional Park - portion	Multi-Use	3 & 9	2688	0	
Cougar/Squak Corridor	Multi-Use	3 & 9	431	0	
Covington Natural Area	Ecological	7	56	0	
Crow Marsh Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	0	100	
Dockton Forest	Resource	8	19	0	
Dockton Natural Area	Ecological	8	44	0	
Dore Don Reach Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	29	0	
Ellis Creek Natural Area	Ecological	8	3	0	
Evans Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	38	0	
Evans Crest Natural Area	Ecological	3	30	0	
Fall City Natural Area	Ecological	3	49	29	
Fall City Park West	Multi-Use	3	33	0	
Girl Scouts Totem Council	TDR	3	0	367	
Green River Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7	757	0	
Griffin Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	62	0	
Hatchery Natural Area	Ecological	7	24	0	
Hazel Wolf Wetland Natural Area	Ecological	3	0	116	
Inspiration Point Natural Area	Ecological	8	8	7	
Island Center Forest	Resource	8	288	0	
Island Center Forest Natural Area	Ecological	8	81	0	
Issaquah Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3 & 9	38	0	
Jones Reach Natural Area	Ecological	9	3	0	
Kanashai Natural Area	Ecological	9	170	0	
Kathryn C. Lewis Natural Area	Ecological	3	10	0	
Landsburg Reach Natural Area	Ecological	9	50	0	
Little Soos Creek Wetlands Natural Area	Ecological	9	7	0	
Log Cabin Reach Natural Area	Ecological	9	118	0	
Lower Bear Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	11	0	
Lower Lions Reach Natural Area	Ecological	9	2	0	
Lower Newaukum Creek Natural Area	Ecological	9	30	0	

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	Total Acreage Included	Fee	Easement
Lower Peterson Creek Corridor Natural Area			
Manzanita Natural Area	9	67	0
Majorie R. Stanley Natural Area	8	2	0
Maury Island Marine Park - portion	8	18	0
May Valley 164th Natural Area	8	270	0
Middle Bear Creek Natural Area	9	4	0
Middle Evans Creek Natural Area	3	66	25
Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Area	3	0	38
Middle Issaquah Creek Natural Area	3	644	0
Mitchell Hill Connector Forest	9	32	0
Moss Lake Natural Area - portion	3	426	0
Mouth Of Taylor Reach Natural Area	3	318	0
Neely Bridge Natural Area	9	12	0
Neill Point Natural Area	7	28	0
Nowak Natural Area	8	53	0
Paradise Lake Natural Area	3	8	0
Paradise Valley Natural Area	123	31	0
Patterson Creek Natural Area	8	5	0
Peterson Lake Natural Area	3	205	0
Piner Point Natural Area	9	145	0
Pinnacle Peak Park - portion	8	8	0
Point Feyer Natural Area	9	228	0
Porter Levee Natural Area	8	7	0
Raab's Lagoon Natural Area	7	56	0
Raging River Natural Area	8	11	0
Ravenhill Open Space	3	51	0
Ravensdale Retreat Natural Area	3	26	0
Richard Reach Natural Area	9	138	0
Ring Hill Forest	9	10	0
Rock Creek Natural Area - portion	3	321	0
Shadow Lake Natural Area	9	0	59
Shinglemill Creek Natural Area	8	0	46
Snoqualmie Forest	3	0	90476
Soos Creek 140th Open Space	9	16	0
Spring Lake/Lake Desire Park	9	386	0
Squak Mt/Tiger Mt Corridor	9	266	0
Stillwater Natural Area	3	45	101
Sugarloaf Mountain Forest	9	284	0
Taylor Mountain Forest	9	1845	0
Three Forks Natural Area	3	267	0
Tolgate Farm - portion	3	161	0
Tolt River Natural Area	3	264	0
Upper Bear Creek Conservation Area	3	22	16
Upper Green River Watershed Forest	9	0	45040
Wetland 14 Natural Area	9	41	0
Wetland 79 Natural Area	9	7	0
		13,370	136,936

2 EXCLUDED FROM CURRENT CHARTER AMENDMENT INVENTORY

Sites may be excluded from the list for one or more of the following reasons. The fact that a site would not be on the initial inventory list does not mean that it will not receive this level protection in the future after further study.

Limited ownership/management rights: Sites owned by other agencies and/or King County manages by agreement only.

Transfers/surplus: Identified as potential transfers to other agencies or potential surplus. Many of such sites are located within the UGA

Recreation/funding or component: Acquired and/or funded all or in part with active recreation funding and/or intent. Have existing or proposed significant active recreation-oriented or other types of development, including regional trail corridors.

All Farmland Preservation Program sites: The development rights and the properties that were acquired using FPP bond (Ordinance #341) funds are already permanently protected under the terms of Ordinance #341 which requires a public vote to remove from FPP.

Further review required: Many sites require further review before being included on an inventory, usually due to one or more of the above reasons.

Site Name	Land Category	Council District	Acres (Fee)	Acres (Easement)	Reason for Exclusion
132nd Square Park	Recreation	6	10	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
4A Development (Charles Jackson)	TDR	9	0	30	Already owned in fee as Soos Creek Park/Trail
Arbor Lake Park	Recreation	8	9	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Auburn Narrows Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7	89	0	These parcels are IAC active recreation, or in City of Auburn, or may be site of regional trail.
Bassett Pond Natural Area	Ecological	3	32	0	These parcels are IAC active recreation
Big Bend Natural Area	Ecological	9	101	0	May be added upon further confirmation of funding sources
Big Finn Hill Park	Multi-Use	6	219	0	UGA - site development includes athletic fields
Big Spring/Newaukum Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	77	0	Fee parcels may be added after transaction with Enumclaw concludes
Bingaman Pond Natural Area	Ecological	7	17	1	In UGA, pending annexation
Black Diamond Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7 & 9	186	546	78 fee acres (2 parcels) excluded as planned for regional trail route; 107 fee acres excluded because under negotiation for transfer to WA State Parks. If portions of 546 acres of term conservation easements convert to fee, they may be added in future.
Boulevard Lane Park	Multi-Use	5 & 9	30	0	UGA - site development includes athletic fields
Bridle Crest Trail Site	Recreation	3 & 6	2	1	All active recreation sites are excluded
Bryn Mawr Park	Recreation	5	5	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Burke Gilman Trail Site	Recreation	1	34	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Canelot Park	Multi-Use	7	18	0	UGA
Canyon Creek Natural Area	Multi-Use	3	0	27	Easement only
Cascade Park	Recreation	5	11	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Cecil Moses Memorial Park	Recreation	8	3	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Cedar River to Lake Sammamish Trail Site	Recreation	3 & 9	22	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
Cedar River Trail Site	Recreation	9	145	29	All active recreation sites are excluded
Chinook Bend Natural Area	Ecological	3	0	3	Easement excluded for now because it may be amended
Coalfield Park	Multi-Use	9	20	0	UGA/athletic fields
Costello	TDR	9	0	19	Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Cottage Lake Park	Recreation	3	21	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park - portion	Multi-Use	3 & 9	413	5	UGA, leased, developed, and mining portions of site
Congan Mountain Wellsite 2	Recreation	9	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Crow Marsh Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	21	0	Fee parcels may be added pending UGA shift in 2008 Comp Plan Amendment
Dahlgren	TDR	3	0	41	Already owned in fee as Tanner Landing Park
Dockton Forest Lease Site	Resource	8	0	0	King County DNRP only holds a lease on site
Dockton Park	Recreation	8	21	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Dore Don Reach Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	56	0	Fee parcels may be added pending UGA shift in 2008 Comp Plan Amendment
Duthie Hill Park	Multi-Use	3	120	0	Predominantly mountain bike facility
Duvall Park	Multi-Use	3	25	0	Potential transfer to City of Duvall under discussion
East Lake Sammamish Trail Site	Recreation	3	124	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
East Norway Hill Park	Recreation	1	26	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
East Plateau Trail Site	Recreation	3	27	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
Edith Moulton Park	Recreation	6	27	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Estebo Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Evergreen Athletic Field	Recreation	8	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded

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Evergreen Pool Site	8	0	0	0	
Fall City Park	3	28	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Five Mile Lake Park	7	25	0	0	Transfer to Snoq. Tribe
Flaming Geyser Natural Area	9	73	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Flaming Geyser Park	9	104	0	0	These parcels are under negotiation for transfer to WA State Parks
Flick/Clark	TDR	3	0	21	Owned in fee, managed by others; designated for transfer to State Parks
Foothills/Enunclaw Plateau Trail Site	Recreation	9	65	0	Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Fred V. Hubenicht Rotary Park	Recreation	9	4	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Gold Creek Park	Recreation	3	35	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
Goldstar Properties	TDR	7	0	20	All active recreation sites are excluded
Grand Ridge Park	Multi-Use	3	1288	0	Already owned in fee as Green River Trail Site
Green River Farm	Resource	7	26	0	Predominantly mountain bike facility
Green River Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7	204	0	Farmland Preservation Program covenants apply
Green River to Cedar River Trail Site	Recreation	7 & 9	87	27	Portion of this one parcel is IAC active recreation
Green River Trail Site	Recreation	5, 7 & 8	22	6	All active recreation sites are excluded
Green Tree Park	Recreation	5	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Hamm Creek Natural Area	Ecological	8	4	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Hazel Valley Park	Recreation	8	3	0	In UGA, pending annexation
Hilltop Park	Recreation	8	7	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Honeydew Park	Multi-Use	9	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Horsehead Bend Natural Area	Ecological	7	35	0	UGA
Horseneck Farm	Resource	7	37	0	IAC active recreation
Hyde Lake Park	Multi-Use	9	25	0	Farmland Preservation Program covenants apply
Inglewood Wetlands	Ecological	1	15	0	Potential transfer to state parks
Issaquah Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3 & 9	10	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
Juanita Heights Park	Recreation	6	3	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
Juanita Triangle Park	Multi-Use	6	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Juanita Woodlands Park	Multi-Use	6	36	0	UGA
Kathryn Taylor/Triology Equestrian Park	Recreation	3	26	0	Potential transfer to state parks
Kentlake Athletic Fields	Recreation	7	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Kingsgate Park	Recreation	1	7	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Klahanie Park	Multi-Use	3	64	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Klahanie Trail Site	TDR	3	0	20	In UGA, pending annexation
Kokta 1	Recreation	3	0	8	All active recreation sites are excluded
Kokta 3	TDR	3	0	20	Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Lake Desire 2 Natural Area	Ecological	9	1	0	In UGA, pending annexation
Lake Francis Park	Recreation	9	10	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Lake Geneva Park	Recreation	7	19	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Lake Joy Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Lake Youngs Connector Trail Site	Recreation	9	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Lake Youngs Park	Recreation	9	5	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Lake Youngs' Trail Site	Multi-Use	9	0	0	Site is owned by others, KC manages by agreement
Lake Youngs' Trailhead	Recreation	9	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Lakewood Park	Recreation	8	29	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Landsburg Kanaskat Trail Site	Recreation	9	21	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Landsburg Trailhead	Multi-Use	9	38	0	Major purpose is parking and trailhead
Levdansky Park	Recreation	9	17	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Little Si Natural Area	Ecological	3	29	0	These parcels are under negotiation for transfer to WA State DNR
Maple Ridge Highlands Open Space	Multi-Use	9	588	0	Need to review 4:1 covenants/conditions (5% active rec)
Maple Valley Heights Park	Recreation	9	3	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Maple Valley/Lake Wilderness Trail Site	Recreation	9	43	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Maplewood Park	Recreation	9	19	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Maplewood Park	Recreation	9	45	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Marymoor Bellevue Ballfield Complex	Recreation	3	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded

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Marymoor Park	Recreation	3	613	0	
Maur Island Marine Park - portion	Multi-Use	8	51	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
May Creek Park - County	Ecological	9	47	0	Mining-zoned parcels excluded
May Valley Park	Recreation	9	54	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
McGarvey Park Open Space	Multi-Use	9	401	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Mirronmont Park	Multi-Use	9	11	2	Need to review 4:1 covenants/conditions (5% active rec)
Moellendorf	TDR	9	0	0	Neighborhood park - CPG grant
Moss Lake Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3	54	8	In UGA; and Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Mount Peak Farm	Resource	9	116	0	Parcels are IAC active recreation
Mull 1 (Herbert Mull)	TDR	9	0	0	Farmland Preservation Program covenants apply
Mullen Slough Natural Area	Ecological	7	14	0	Already owned in fee as Soos Creek Park/Trail
New Concept Homes - AKA Mull2	TDR	5	0	39	These parcels are under negotiation for transfer to City of Kent
North Green River Park	Multi-Use	5	107	0	Already owned in fee as Soos Creek Park/Trail
North Meridian Park	Multi-Use	5	35	0	IAC §§ and portion in UGA
North Shorewood Park	Recreation	8	6	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Northill Beach Natural Area	Ecological	8	4	0	Recent acquisition, current proposal to surplus one parcel under review.
Northshore Athletic Fields	Recreation	3	19	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Novelt Hill Little League Fields	Recreation	3	7	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Park Orchard Park	Recreation	5	6	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Patterson Creek Preserve Forest	Resource	3	0	243	Recent & future plats are changing easement boundaries, need to redraw easements to include in future.
Petrovitsky Park	Multi-Use	9	93	0	UGA
Pinnacle Peak Park - portion	Multi-Use	9	29	0	REET-funded parcel may have more intensive recreational use
Pipeline Number 5 Trail Site	Recreation	7	0	1	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Athletic Fields	Recreation	3	12	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Mill	Recreation	3	23	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Ridge Park	Multi-Use	3	190	0	Future plans & community expectations not clear - arboretum, etc.
Preston Snoqualmie Trail Site	Recreation	3	96	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Puget Sound Park	Recreation	8	5	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Quigley Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Rattlesnake Mountain Scenic Area	Multi-Use	3	1857	0	KC only owns small portion - majority is owned by WSDDNR and jointly managed
Ravensdale Park	Recreation	9	42	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Redmond Ridge Park	Recreation	3	10	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Redmond Ridge Trail Site	Recreation	3	0	1	All active recreation sites are excluded
Redmond to Redmond Watershed Trail Site	Recreation	3	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Redmond Watershed Addition Park	Recreation	3	2	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Redmond Watershed Trail Site	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Renton Park	Multi-Use	9	19	0	UGA
Renton Pool Site	Recreation	9	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Renton Shop Site	Recreation	9	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Rock Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	57	0	Fee parcels may be added pending UGA shift in 2008 Comp Plan Amendment
Salmon Creek Park	Recreation	8	5	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Sammamish River Farm	Resource	3	18	0	Farmland Preservation Program covenants apply
Sammamish River Trail Site	Multi-Use	1 & 3	128	0	Portion of site is owned by others, KC manages by agreement
Sierra Heights Park	Recreation	9	8	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Site 1 Duwamish	Ecological	8	3	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
Sixty Acres Park	Recreation	3	90	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Skyway Park	Recreation	2	23	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Snoqualmie Valley Trail Site	Recreation	3	437	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Soaring Eagle Regional Park	Multi-Use	3	627	0	Subject to BLA for transfer of portion - later date
Soos Creek Park and Trail	Multi-Use	5 & 9	729	3	Relationship to trail development/transfer to renton
Soos Creek Shop Complex	Recreation	9	6	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
South County Ballfields	Recreation	7	21	0	All active recreation sites are excluded

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	Total Acreage Excluded	Fee	Easement
Southern Heights Park	8	0	0
Sunset Playfield	8	14	0
Sunset Shop Site	8	3	0
Swamp Creek Park	1	40	0
Tanner Landing Park	3	41	0
Tollgate Farm - portion	3	195	0
Tolt Pipeline Trail Site	1 & 3	0	142
Tolt River - John MacDonald Park	3	528	0
Trust for Public Land (Tollgate)	3	0	161
Uplands Forest	3	0	353
Upper Raging River Forest	3 & 9	0	2724
Vashon Pool Site	8	0	0
Vashon Shop Site	8	0	0
Ventis Capital, LLC	5	0	1
West Hill Park	1	8	0
West Sammamish Trail Site	1 & 3	56	7
Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center Site	7	11	0
White Center Heights Park	8	6	0
White Center Park	8	10	0
White Center Pond Natural Area	8	9	0
Whitney Bridge Park	7 & 9	30	0
Windsor Vista Park	1	5	0
	Total Acreage Excluded	12,046	4,525

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(The inventory was created from King County DNRP Parks & TDR property inventory as of 11/14/2008; changes between 1/2/2008 and 11/14/2008 inventory are highlighted. Some sites fall in two council districts therefore acreages cannot be summed accurately by district.)

1. INCLUDED IN CHARTER AMENDMENT INVENTORY

Site Name	Land Category	Council District	Acres	(Fee)	Acres (Easement)
Ames Lake Forest	Resource	3	0		425
Boxley Creek Site	Multi-Use	3	147		0
Carnation Marsh Natural Area	Ecological	3	68	12	0
Chinook Board Natural Area	Ecological	3	71	0	0
Cold Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	130	0	0
Cougar Mountain Regional Park - portion	Multi-Use	3 & 9	2688	0	0
Cougar/Squak Corridor	Multi-Use	3 & 9	431	0	0
Evans Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	38	0	0
Evans Crest Natural Area	Ecological	3	30	0	0
Fall City Natural Area	Ecological	3	49	29	0
Fall City Park West	Multi-Use	3	33	0	0
Gir Scouts Totem Council	TDR	3	0		367
Griffin Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	62	0	0
Hazel Wolf Wetland Natural Area	Ecological	3	0		116
Issaquah Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3 & 9	38	0	0
Kathryn C. Lewis Natural Area	Ecological	3	10	0	0
Lower Bear Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	11	0	0
Middle Bear Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	66	25	0
Middle Evans Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	0		38
Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Area	Ecological	3	644	0	0
Mitchell Hill Connector Forest	Resource	3	426	0	0
Moss Lake Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3	318	0	0
Nowak Natural Area	Ecological	3 & 9	8	0	0
Paradise Lake Natural Area	Ecological	3	123	31	0
Patterson Creek Natural Area	Ecological	3	205	0	0
Raging River Natural Area	Ecological	3	51	0	0
Ravenhill Open Space	Multi-Use	3	26	0	0
Ring Hill Forest	Resource	3	321	0	0
Snoqualmie Forest	Resource	3	0		90476
Squak Mt/Tiger Mt Corridor	Multi-Use	3 & 9	266	0	0
Stillwater Natural Area	Ecological	3	45	101	0
Three Forks Natural Area	Multi-Use	3	267	0	0
Toltgate Farm - portion	Multi-Use	3	161	0	0
Tolt River Natural Area	Ecological	3	264	0	0
Upper Bear Creek Conservation Area	Ecological	3	22	16	0
Auburn Narrows Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7	16	0	0
Black Diamond Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7 & 9	427	0	0
Covington Natural Area	Ecological	7	56	0	0
Green River Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7	757	0	0
Hatchery Natural Area	Ecological	7	24	0	0
Neely Bridge Natural Area	Ecological	7	28	0	0
Ponte Levee Natural Area	Ecological	7	56	0	0
Christiansen Pond Natural Area	Ecological	8	0		19
Dockton Forest	Resource	8	19	0	0
Dockton Natural Area	Ecological	8	44	0	0
Ellis Creek Natural Area	Ecological	8	3	0	0
Inspiration Point Natural Area	Ecological	8	8	7	0
Island Center Forest	Resource	8	288	0	0
Island Center Forest Natural Area	Ecological	8	81	0	0
Manzanita Natural Area	Ecological	8	2	0	0
Marjorie R. Stanley Natural Area	Ecological	8	18	0	0
Maury Island Marine Park - portion	Multi-Use	8	270	0	0

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Neill Point Natural Area								
Paradise Valley Natural Area								
Piner Point Natural Area								
Point Heyer Natural Area								
Raab's Lagoon Natural Area								
Shinglemill Creek Natural Area								
Bass Lake Complex Natural Area								
Belmondo Reach Natural Area								
Big Spring/ Newaukum Creek Natural Area - portion								
Black Diamond Natural Area - portion								
BN Peninsula Natural Area								
Carey Creek Natural Area								
Cavanaugh Pond Natural Area								
Cedar Downs Site								
Cedar Grove Natural Area								
Cedar Grove Road Natural Area								
Cemetery Reach Natural Area								
Conger Mountain Regional Park - portion								
Congar/Squak Corridor								
Crow Marsh Natural Area - portion								
Dorre Don Reach Natural Area - portion								
Issaquah Creek Natural Area - portion								
Jones Reach Natural Area								
Kanaskis Natural Area								
Landsburg Reach Natural Area								
Little Soos Creek Wetlands Natural Area								
Log Cabin Reach Natural Area								
Lower Lions Reach Natural Area								
Lower Newaukum Creek Natural Area								
Lower Peterson Creek Corridor Natural Area								
May Valley 164th Natural Area								
Middle Issaquah Creek Natural Area								
Mouth Of Taylor Reach Natural Area								
Nowak Natural Area								
Peterson Lake Natural Area								
Finnagle Peak Park - portion								
Ravensdale Retreat Natural Area								
Ricardi Reach Natural Area								
Rock Creek Natural Area - portion								
Shadow Lake Natural Area								
Soos Creek 140th Open Space								
Spring Lake/Lake Desire Park								
Squak Mt/Tiger Mt Corridor								
Sugarloaf Mountain Forest								
Taylor Mountain Forest								
Upper Green River Watershed Forest								
Wetland 14 Natural Area								
Wetland 79 Natural Area								

2 EXCLUDED FROM CURRENT CHARTER AMENDMENT INVENTORY

Sites may be excluded from the list for one or more of the following reasons. The fact that a site would not be on the initial inventory list does not mean that it will not receive this level protection in the future after further study.

Limited ownership/management rights: Sites owned by other agencies and/or King County manages by agreement only.

Transfers/surplus: Identified as potential transfers to other agencies or potential surplus. Many of such sites are located within the UGA

Recreation/funding or component: Acquired and/or funded all or in part with active recreation funding and/or intent. Have existing or proposed significant active recreation-oriented or other types of development, including regional trail corridors.

All Farmland Preservation Program sites: The development rights and the properties that were acquired using FPP bond (Ordinance 4-341) funds are already permanently protected under the terms of Ordinance 4-341 which requires a public vote to remove from FPP.

Further review required: Many sites require further review before being included on an inventory, usually due to one or more of the above reasons.

Site Name	Land Inventory	KCCD	Acres (Fee)	Acres (Easement)	Reason for Exclusion
Burke Gilman Trail Site	Recreation	1	34	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
East Norway Hill Park	Recreation	1	26	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Inglewood Wetlands	Ecological	1	15	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
Kingsgate Park	Recreation	1	7	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Sammamish River Trail Site	Multi-Use	1 & 3	128	0	portion of site is owned by others, KC manages by agreement
Swamp Creek Park	Ecological	1	40	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
Tolt Pipeline Trail Site	Recreation	1 & 3	0	142	All active recreation sites are excluded
West Hill Park	Recreation	1	8	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
West Sammamish Trail Site	Recreation	1 & 3	56	7	All active recreation sites are excluded
Windsor Vista Park	Recreation	1	5	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Skyway Park	Recreation	2	23	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Bassett Pond Natural Area	Ecological	3	32	0	These parcels are IAC active recreation
Bridle Crest Trail Site	Multi-Use	3 & 6	2	1	All active recreation sites are excluded
Canyon Creek Natural Area	Multi-Use	3	0	27	easement only
Cedar River to Lake Sammamish Trail Site	Recreation	3 & 9	22	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
Chinook Bend Natural Area	Ecological	3	0	3	Easement excluded for now because it may be amended
Cottage Lake Park	Recreation	3	21	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Conger Mountain Regional Wildland Park - portion	Multi-Use	3 & 9	413	5	UGA, leased, developed, and mining portions of site
Dahligen	TDR	3	0	41	Already owned in fee as Tanner Landing Park
Duthie Hill Park	Multi-Use	3	120	0	predominantly mountain bike facility
Duvall Park	Multi-Use	3	25	0	potential transfer to City of Duvall under discussion
East Lake Sammamish Trail Site	Recreation	3	124	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
East Plateau Trail Site	Recreation	3	27	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
Estebo Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Fall City Park	Multi-Use	3	28	0	transfer to Shog Tribe
Flick Clark	TDR	3	0	21	Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Gold Creek Park	Recreation	3	35	2	All active recreation sites are excluded
Grand Ridge Park	Multi-Use	3	1288	0	predominantly mountain bike facility
Issaquah Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3 & 9	10	0	In UGA/city, pending annexation
Kathryn Taylor/Triology Equestrian Park	Recreation	3	26	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Klahane Park	Multi-Use	3	64	0	UGA
Klahane Trail Site	Recreation	3	0	8	All active recreation sites are excluded
Kokta 1	TDR	3	0	20	Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Kokta 3	TDR	3	0	20	Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Lake Joy Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Little S Natural Area	Ecological	3	29	0	These parcels are under negotiation for transfer to WA State DNR
Marymoor Bellevue Ballfield Complex	Recreation	3	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Marymoor Park	Recreation	3	613	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Moss Lake Natural Area - portion	Ecological	3	54	0	Parcels are IAC active recreation
Northshore Athletic Fields	Recreation	3	19	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Novelty Hill Little League Fields	Recreation	3	7	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Athletic Fields	Recreation	3	12	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Mill	Recreation	3	23	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Park	Multi-Use	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Preston Ridge Park	Recreation	3	190	0	Future plans & community expectations not clear - arboretum, etc.
Preston Snoqualmie Trail Site	Recreation	3	96	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Quigley Park	Recreation	3	1	0	All active recreation sites are excluded

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Cecil Moses Memorial Park	8	3	0	0
Dockton Forest Lease Site	8	0	0	0
Dockton Park	8	21	0	0
Evergreen Athletic Field	8	0	0	0
Evergreen Pool Site	8	0	0	0
Green River Trail Site	8	0	0	0
Hamm Creek Natural Area	5, 7 & 8	22	6	6
Hazel Valley Park	8	4	0	0
Hilltop Park	8	3	0	0
Lakewood Park	8	7	0	0
Maury Island Marine Park - portion	8	29	0	0
Northhilla Beach Natural Area	8	51	0	0
Northshorewood Park	8	4	0	0
Puget Sound Park	8	6	0	0
Salmon Creek Park	8	5	0	0
Site 1 Duwanish	8	5	0	0
Southern Heights Park	8	3	0	0
Sunset Playfield	8	0	0	0
Sunset Shop Site	8	14	0	0
Vashon Pool Site	8	3	0	0
Vashon Shop Site	8	0	0	0
White Center Heights Park	8	0	0	0
White Center Park	8	0	0	0
White Center Pond Natural Area	8	0	0	0
4A Development (Charles Jackson)	TDR	0	0	0
Big Bend Natural Area	Ecological	9	101	30
Big Spring/Newaukum Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	68	0
Black Diamond Natural Area - portion	Ecological	7 & 9	186	546
Boulevard Lane Park	Multi-Use	5 & 9	30	0
Cedar River to Lake Sammamish Trail Site	Recreation	3 & 9	22	2
Cedar River Trail Site	Recreation	9	145	29
Coalfeld Park	Multi-Use	9	20	0
Costello	TDR	9	0	0
Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park - portion	Multi-Use	3 & 9	413	19
Cougar Mountain Wellsite 2	Recreation	9	1	5
Crow Marsh Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	21	0
Dorre Don Reach Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	56	0
Flaming Geyser Natural Area	Ecological	9	73	0
Foothills/Emmenelaw Plateau Trail Site	Multi-Use	9	104	0
Fred V. Habenicht Rotary Park	Recreation	9	65	0
Green River to Cedar River Trail Site	Recreation	9	4	0
Honeywell Park	7 & 9	87	27	0
Hyde Lake Park	Multi-Use	9	0	0
Issaquah Creek Natural Area - portion	Multi-Use	9	25	0
Lake Desire 2 Natural Area	Ecological	3 & 9	10	0
Lake Francis Park	Recreation	9	1	0
Lake Youngs Connector Trail Site	Recreation	9	10	0
Lake Youngs Park	Recreation	9	0	0
Lake Youngs Trail Site	Multi-Use	9	5	0
Lake Youngs Trailhead	Recreation	9	0	0
Landsburg Kanaskat Trail Site	Multi-Use	9	38	0
Levdansky Park	Recreation	9	21	0
Maple Ridge Highlands Open Space	Multi-Use	9	17	0
Maple Valley Heights Park	Recreation	9	588	0
Maple Valley Lake Wilderness Trail Site	Recreation	9	3	0
		43	0	0

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Maplewood Heights Park	Recreation	9	19	0	
Maplewood Park	Ecological	9	45	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
May Creek Park - County	Recreation	9	47	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
May Valley Park	Multi-Use	9	54	0	In UGA city, pending annexation
McGarvey Park Open Space	Multi-Use	9	401	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Mirrormont Park	TDR	9	11	0	need to review 4); covenants/conditions (5% active rec)
Moellendorf	Resource	9	0	8	neighborhood park - CPG grant
Mount Peak Farm	TDR	9	116	0	In UGA; and Private property, no public access; needs flexibility to comply with easement conditions
Mull 1 (Herbert Mull)	Multi-Use	9	0	9	Farmland Preservation Program covenants apply
Petrovitsky Park	Multi-Use	9	93	0	Already owned in fee as Soos Creek Park/Trail
Pinnacle Peak Park - portion	Recreation	9	29	0	UGA
Ravensdale Park	Recreation	9	42	0	REET-funded parcel may have more intensive recreational use
Renton Park	Multi-Use	9	19	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Renton Pool Site	Recreation	9	0	0	UGA
Renton Shop Site	Recreation	9	0	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Rock Creek Natural Area - portion	Ecological	9	57	0	All active recreation sites are excluded
Sierra Heights Park	Recreation	9	8	0	Fee parcels may be added pending UGA shift in 2008 Comp Plan Amendment
Soos Creek Park and Trail	Multi-Use	5 & 9	729	3	All active recreation sites are excluded
Soos Creek Shop Complex	Recreation	9	6	0	relationship to trail development/transfer to renton
Upper Raging River Forest	Resource	3 & 9	0	2724	KC Biosolids owns fee, and is transferring in fee to WADNR with restrictions prohibiting development.
Whitney Bridge Park	Multi-Use	7 & 9	30	0	boat launch and parking