April 28, 2022

Nisqually State Park
Public Meeting
Day Use Improvements

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. What is a Predesign?
3. Park overview, Land classes and Phases
4. State Parks Mission
5. Review Village Center public comments
6. Present the Village Center Preferred Alternative
7. Short Break
8. Review Trail Plan public comments
9. Present the Trail Plan Preferred Alternative
10. Read new comments and Q&A
Required by OFM for projects over $10 million

- Develop options and analyze them
- Describe advantages and disadvantages of options
- Determine a preferred alternative
- Provide cost estimates
- Additional analysis of the preferred alternative
- Current effort is for Phases 4 - 6

WHAT IS A PREDESIGN REPORT?
Adjust parking lot boundary

Adjust admin/maintenance boundary

Transfer right of way

Adjust camping boundary

Remove People’s Center

Remove Tribal Use Area from south of Nisqually

Widen Natural Area along Nisqually River
New Park                  2019-2020
• Predesign for all project elements

Design & Permit      2019-2021
• Design & Permit all project elements
• Drill water well

Construction            2021-2023
• Managed access to Nisqually River
• Administration building and interpretive plaza
• Staff housing

Construction            2023-2025*
• Entrance (Roundabout)
• Campground and Welcome Center
• Mashel River Valley Trail and Overlook
• Complete maintenance complex
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Mission

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Vision

Washington's state parks will be cherished destinations with natural, cultural, recreational, artistic, and interpretive experiences that all Washingtonians enjoy, appreciate, and proudly support.
• Day use, Alt 2, Smaller Amphitheater
• Outdoor interpretive center vs indoor
• Day Use – smaller amphitheater. More hands-on activities for kids which means more staff! Splash pad.
• I love the playscape and Amphitheatre.
• I prefer alternative A. My reasons are; 1. I'm not sure having a 300 person amphitheater would be fully utilized. Maybe leave room for expansion? 2. Having something memorializing the massacre there is overdue. People need to know the areas history, even the bad parts.
• The Mashel Massacre memorial reflection loop and monument is preferred choice over just a boulder option.
• Having a larger ethnobotanical garden that is interpreted is important.
• Prefer the outdoor and indoor kitchen space to provide option to how the cooking area can be programed.
In the areas close to the ridge edge, how will it be made safe from people wandering to it? It's all steep, most too steep to get yourself back up w/o help.

Signage depicting trail etiquette for all users including horseback riders is needed at all of the trail access points. I believe that this signage needs to be right next to the trail entrance, not at a kiosk that many users could miss.

What trails will e-bikes be allowed on?

Why have the property (across the Nisqually River) if the public can't reasonably access it?

In looking at the trail map will all single track trails be dismantled? Gravel footing for horses can be very unhealthy. I urge you to use ¼ minus gravel or sand footing. 5/8 minus is terribly hard on horses.
• Option A is far better for equestrians than option B.
• I support making trails accessible and inclusive as long as they provide a safe (as reasonably possible) experience for all users.
• I don’t believe this park will be a big draw for bicyclists. It’s not really suitable for mountain biking.
• I would strongly suggest equestrian have their own area which is provided in option A, but add that on the multi-use the equestrian be excluded
• Can we have more horse and pedestrian trails?
• Where proposed trails connect to neighboring properties, has there been consideration given to forming partnerships to create a larger trails system?
• Equestrian access to Pack Forest & to Eatonville Hwy.
• Didn’t the original plans for park development include a much more expansive plan for equestrian trails? Why is that no longer possible?
• Will there be more horse trailer parking than the existing day use?
• All landscaping used should be native plants only.
• Why decommission trails?
• Why are we letting the Nisqually tribe dictate what happens on State Park land?
• Repair the trail to the Mashel River.
• Why no access to water for horses?
Existing Conditions

Legend

- Existing Trails 18.0 Miles

- Trailhead to Nisqually River
- Ohop Creek
- Nisqually Land Trust
- Nisqually Indian Tribe Property
- Private Properties
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- Nisqually Light Company
- Day Use Mashel Prairie Rd
- Wetlands
- Existing Trails
- Mashel River
- Park Entry
- Borrow Pit
- SR7
- Tacoma Power
- UW Pack Experimental Forest

Nisqually River
Trail Plan - Preferred Alternative
Nisqually State Park Trails Plan - Phase 1
13.2 Total Trail Miles

Symbols Legend
I Interpretive Opportunity
P Parking
P Authorized Parking Only
X Trail Closure Signage
--- Bicycle Skills Share Area/ Pump Track
W Wetland
 Trail Cross Section Reference

3.8 Miles Multi-Use Trail, Pedestrian, Equestrian, Bicyclists
1.6 Miles Bicycle & Pedestrian Trail
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THANK YOU

We will now read and answer questions