

WRIA 8: Cold Creek Natural Area Addition (Sharon Claussen, Parks)
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Parks Levy Request	\$435,500
CFT Request (CFT match status)	\$435,500 (match is requested Parks Levy funds)
Subtotal: CFT + Parks Levy Request	\$871,000

Total Project Cost	\$871,000 for Phase 1 parcels \$1,071,000 including Phase 2 parcel
Funding Already Secured	None
Additional Funding Sought	None
Will current funding request allow project completion?	Yes for current priorities – and there may be additional requests for other parcels

Project Description: Acquire 20.3 acres (3 parcels) in fee to connect Cold Creek Natural Area with Cottage Lake. Site located east of Woodinville.

This project will connect over 160 acres of Bassett Pond and Cold Creek Natural Areas along the Cottage Lake Creek to its outlet from Cottage Lake and include 244 lin. Ft. of lake frontage. Expansion of existing partnerships for adjacent natural areas will be pursued for restoration and stewardship of the expanded natural area. Project is proposed for 2 phases. Phase 1 should be considered as a single package with the highest priority. Phase 2 can be considered at a later time. Owners are interested in selling.

Habitat Benefit: The project will further habitat connectivity by extending the benefits of the existing natural area and contributing to the overall value of the extensive Bear Creek System. Cottage Lake Creek is a Class 2 salmon-bearing stream and the surrounding wetlands are designated as Class 1. Chinook spawn and rear in the creek and the surrounding area hosts resident and migratory bird species, terrestrial and aquatic mammals, fish, amphibians and reptiles.

Recreation Benefit: Low impact recreation would provide foot trails, habitat and wildlife viewing areas, interpretive activities and also host volunteer stewardship activities. Possibility of parking as well.

Plan Priority: These parcels were identified as targets for future acquisition and protection in the Waterways 2000: Acquisition and Stewardship Recommendations Report by the King County Open Space Citizen's Advisory Committee.

Greenprint Value: Medium to High (ecological)

Parcels included in Scope:

Phase 1: 072606-9012 (11.5 ac), 072606-9013 (5.88 ac), 072606-9045 (2.94 ac)

Phase 2: 072606-9056 (3.66)