

**Attachment 2:
Project Descriptions of DNRP's 2016 Parks Levy – Regional Open Space Acquisition Proposals**

VASHON: Big Beach Natural Area (Greg Rabourn, Basin Steward)

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| PL Request | \$435,000 |
| CFT Request <i>(CFT match status)</i> | \$435,000 <i>(match is requested PL funds)</i> |
| Subtotal: CFT + PL Request | \$870,000 |

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| Total Project Cost | \$870,000 for priority parcels \$6,000,000 for all in scope |
| Funding Already Secured | None (this funding will complement \$1.6M in ESRP 2015 funds allocated to restoration in this area) |
| Additional Funding Sought | ESRP 2017, ESRP 2019 |
| Will current funding request complete priority acquisitions? | Yes – funding request completes current priorities; there may be additional future requests for project. |

Project Description: Acquire up to 9 parcels in fee or easement (~21 acres) as an additions to Big Beach Natural Area.

Target parcels are willing landowners with parcels just north and south of Big Beach Natural Area. This project focuses on a specific process unit (SPU) and divergence zone in the Maury Island Aquatic Reserve. The project is a mix of preserving intact parcels and purchasing developed shoreline to allow for future restoration opportunities.

These properties will add to the preserve already established at Lost Lake and shoreline preserved in 2007-2008 at the Inspiration Point and Neill Point Natural Areas. In 2014, three parcels were added to Neill Point NA and a new fourth preserve was created with two more parcels (Big Beach NA). KC has two additional parcels under contract in the SPU in 2015. If successful, this funding will be used to match grant funding for the future restoration of the properties. This project also supports Public Health's efforts to stop septic pollution in this Marine Recovery Area. The entire project area is located in a historic landslide and current landslide hazard area. Buying the properties has the added benefit of moving people out of landslide risk.

Habitat Benefit: This project focuses on the preservation and restoration of over 5000' of feeder bluff within the Maury Island Aquatic Preserve. This SPU supports many types of fish, shellfish, marine mammals, wildlife, and bird species. Project is consistent with WRIA 9 chinook salmon recovery plan.

Recreation Benefit: Passive recreation

Plan Priority: This project is found in the WRIA 9 Salmon Recovery Plan and the Vashon Greenprint as has received both state and federal funding in the past. Recommended by PSNERP as a site with High Potential for Enhancement.

Parcels included in Scope: Priorities: Delano Jr – 252205-9081 (.5 ac), -9083 (.5 ac), -82 (.3 ac), -9087 (2 ac), -9088 (2 ac), -9086 (3 ac); and Anderson - 352202-9033 (.3 ac), -9011 (8 ac), 9042 (4 ac). Additional parcels included in scope, see map.