

APPENDIX 7: PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE

A-7.1 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan

For detailed parks, recreation and open space data please see the Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan (PRO Plan), adopted July 6, 2005 here by reference.

A-7.2 Summary of Countywide Planning Policies for Parks, Recreation, and Open Space

A-7.2.1 King County

Countywide policies regarding parks, recreation, and open space are addressed in Chapter IV—Community Character and Open Space, of the King County Growth Management Planning Council's Countywide Planning Policies, adopted July 6, 1992 with updates through August 2000. The focus of these policies is to ensure that each jurisdiction provide linkages (open space corridors) between and within population centers with land useful for recreation, trails, wildlife habitat and connection of critical areas. The Countywide policies require jurisdictions to work cooperatively to identify and protect open space corridors as well as water bodies and rivers of the region.

Countywide policies provide guidance for countywide funding and require all jurisdictions to develop parks and open spaces as development and redevelopment occurs. As part of this, jurisdictions are required to develop coordinated levels of service standards for the provision of parks and open space.

A-7.2.2 Snohomish County

Snohomish County has countywide policies relating to parks, recreation, and/or open space, and are found in their 2004 adopted PRO Plan, Chapter 1.