Conservation Needs

- Not in long-term protection (fee or easement)
- For working forests, not designated for forestry or < 20 acres
- For aquatic and natural lands – undeveloped areas
- Trails that will complete existing trails, connect trails, or planned trails
## Conservation Needs

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463,000 acres
Comments on the draft

- Include more discussion of urban open space
  - Benefits, challenges to maintaining/increasing
  - What are the urban open space conservation needs?
    - Tools, actions to increase access
- Tribal treaty rights, history of open space and Native Americans
- Add strategy on regional trails
- Include drinking water source areas in aquatic systems
Urban Open Space Needs

Priority:
• Level of canopy cover
• Index of demographics:
  • Income level, race, language

Needs:
• 24 parks to address neediest gap areas
• 4 additional Regional Growth Centers
• 19 additional transit communities
Action Plan

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    PSRC working on Puget Sound Partnership Near Term Action to accelerate development of stormwater parks
Next Steps

• Publish final plan in June and publicize
• Work with partners on identified actions
• Advance use of key conservation tools
  • Transfer of Development Rights
  • Conservation finance & ecosystem services markets
• Return on investment analysis
• Watershed management plans
• Multi-benefit green infrastructure
• Hazard mitigation plans
• Incorporate into VISION 2050
Emerald Alliance for People, Nature & Community
Regional Collaborative
Serving Central Puget Sound
VISION 2050

• Add open space information to narrative
• Consider refinements to Multicounty Planning Policies to support open space implementation
• Update Actions to focus on supporting implementation
Open Space Policy Areas for VISION 2050

- Protecting and restoring open space
- Increasing access to parks, trails and open space
- Improving water quality