



\$5.74M Capital Request (SBCA)

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- Public access improvements
- Environmental education and site signage
- Protecting and maintaining the \$190M investment in acquisition sites and over half a billion dollars investment in maintaining those Natural Areas since 1972.

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2025-27 Capital Project Funding Request for the Natural Areas Program

MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE THE DNR'S 97 NATURAL AREAS ACROSS 170,000+ ACRES STATEWIDE.

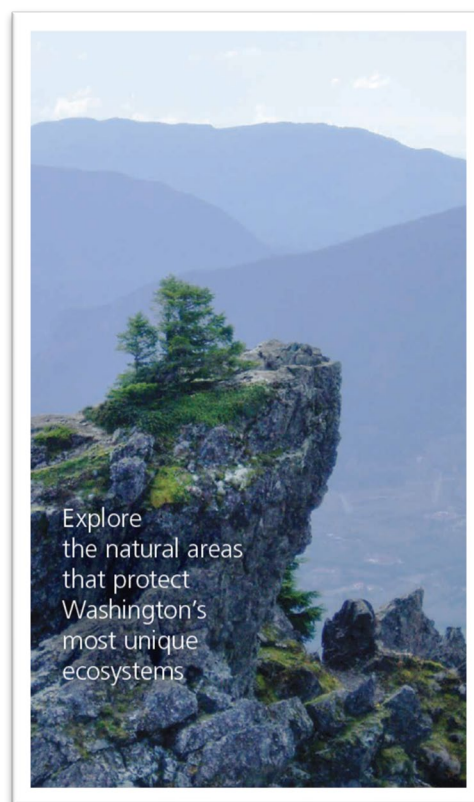
DNR's Natural Areas have been acquired for the purpose of:

- Protecting ecosystems and habitat for rare or endangered species.
- Retaining important scenic and cultural values; and,
- Providing opportunities for educational, scientific, and other low-impact recreation or environmental education uses.

This small works capital project funding will support public access and facility preservation on 33 DNR Natural Areas in 18 counties and 14 Legislative Districts.

The 38 projects include:

- Parking and trailhead facilities
- Road maintenance improvements
- ADA access
- Fences and gates
- Trail renovations, connections, and road-to-trail abandonments
- Pedestrian and vehicle traffic
- Toilet relocation and installation
- Kiosks and interpretive shelters
- Viewing platforms
- Environmental education signage
- Relocating or renovating campsites
- Demolition of dilapidated structures
- Interpretive building preservation
- Culvert Removal
- Survey's, design, and permitting for capital projects



PROTECTING THE PUBLIC'S INVESTMENT

These projects are prioritized to achieve multiple goals of public access, environmental education, and conservation. Development and preservation of facilities and infrastructure in conservation areas or within preserve buffers, are key strategies to providing appropriate public access while protecting the public's investment in conservation features.



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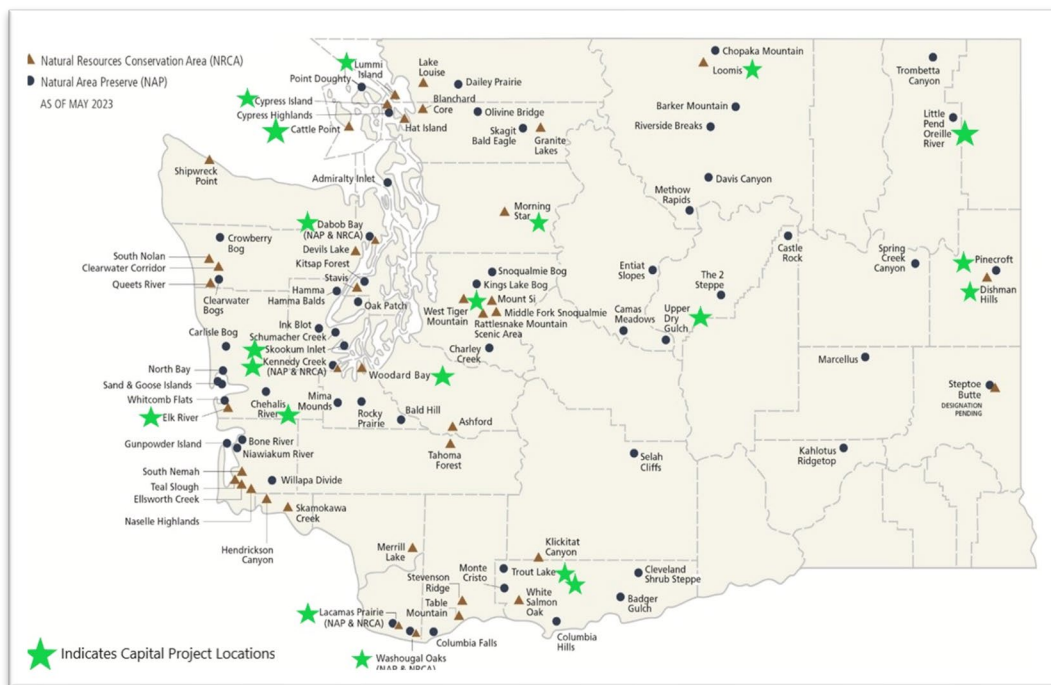
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IN PERPETUITY

Capital investment provides the capacity to support natural areas statewide and preserves high-quality ecosystems and the best remaining habitat for native species in perpetuity.

PROJECT SITES

1. Cattle Point NRCA
2. Chehalis River Surge Plain NAP
3. Cypress Island NA
4. Dabob Bay NRCA
5. Dishman Hills NRCA
6. Elk River NRCA
7. Kennedy Creek NA
8. Lacamas Prairie NA
9. Little Pend Oreille NAP
10. Loomis NRCA
11. Lummi Island NRCA
12. Middle Fork Snoqualmie NRCA
13. Morning Star NRCA
14. Mount Si NRCA
15. Pincroft NAP
16. Rattlesnake Mountain
17. Skookum Inlet NAP
18. Trout Lake NAP
19. Upper Dry Gulch NAP
20. Washougal Oaks NA
21. West Tiger Mt NRCA
22. Woodard Bay NRCA



Map includes all 97 WA DNR Natural Area Sites

Acronyms List:

- NAP = Natural Area Preserve
- NRCA = Natural Resources Conservation Area
- NA = Natural Area