

Greenways III Project Descriptions

Major New Greenway Acquisitions \$20.1 million

As with the previous Greenway levies, the main focus of the next levy will be to acquire land that will help address the need for parks, trail corridors, and open space during this period of unprecedented growth in Bellingham. Specific purchase decisions are made by the City Council with input from the Greenways Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Board, staff and the community.

- **North Property Acquisitions \$12.1m** *To help correct the current imbalance of parkland distribution in the community, the next levy will concentrate on acquisition of property in the underserved north side of Bellingham.*
- **South Property Acquisitions \$6m** *These funds will be used to complete and enhance existing greenway corridors.*
- **Undesignated Property Acquisitions \$2m** *These funds will be used as needed to complete priority acquisitions.*

Greenway Development Projects and Completions \$16 million

Many projects from the first two levies received initial funding to buy land only. While acquiring land is of great importance, the next levy should complete and develop key projects so our growing population can enjoy using these facilities.

- **Squalicum Creek Park \$4.7m** *Complete phase 2 of this north side community park.*
- **Northridge Park \$1m** *Complete development of this community park, one of the first acquisitions of the Greenway Program.*
- **Waterfront Redevelopment Area \$4m** *Provide connections from existing greenway corridors to the redeveloping Georgia Pacific site.*
- **Chuckanut/Interurban Trail Improvements \$1m** *Completion of a trail network and access from the Interurban Trail and North Chuckanut trailhead connecting Woodstock Farm and Teddy Bear Cove.*
- **Bay-To-Baker Trail and Greenway \$2.8m** *Additional acquisition of land along this major trail and greenway corridor from the waterfront to the city limits. Any remaining funds will be used for trail construction.*
- **Samish Crest Trail and Greenway \$1.5m** *Additional acquisition of land and trail development to complete the greenway corridor from Lake Padden Park over Samish Hill.*
- **Whatcom Creek Greenway \$1m** *Acquisition of key parcels to complete and enhance this central greenway corridor. Remaining funds may be used for trail construction.*

Heritage Park Improvements \$4 million

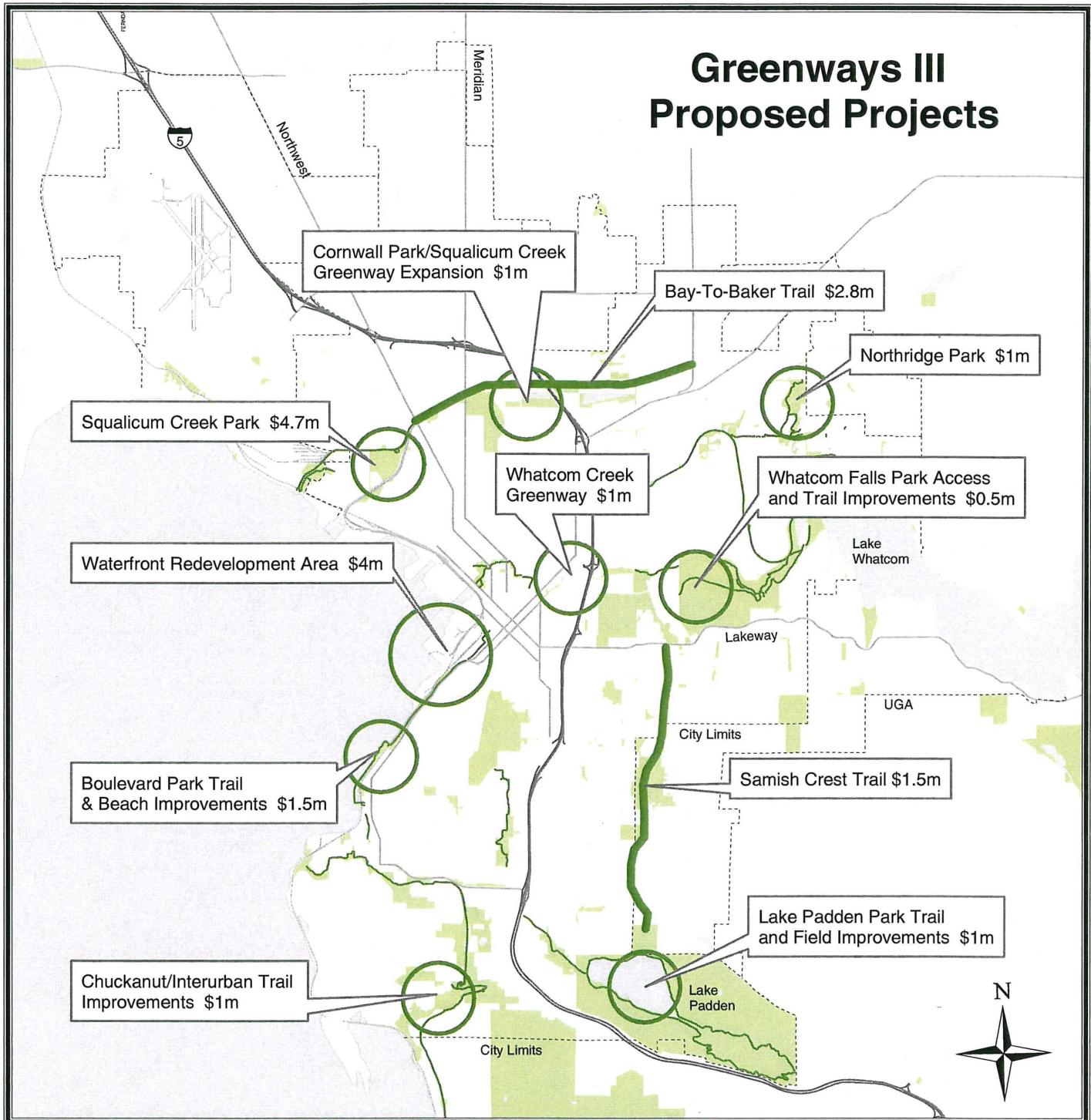
The Greenway Program in Bellingham began with the goal of connecting our major community parks with a system of green trail corridors. We are fortunate to reap the benefits of the visionaries who acquired and developed the beloved parks we all enjoy using today. However, these parks are suffering from long term wear and tear as well as increased use generated with population growth. A portion of the next levy will address the following capital maintenance needs and expansion of land and facilities:

- **Cornwall Park/Squalicum Creek Greenway Expansion \$1** *Acquire additional land in the Cornwall Park area, helping to preserve and protect Squalicum Creek.*
- **Lake Padden Park Trail and Field Improvements \$1m** *One of the most heavily used trails in Bellingham, the Lake Padden Loop trail is in need of major renovation and upgrade. The adjacent ball fields will be renovated with improved drainage.*
- **Whatcom Falls Park Access and Trail Improvements \$0.5** *A new entrance on Woburn Street along with new trail connections and upgrades to existing trails.*
- **Boulevard Park Trail and Beach Improvements \$1.5m** *Shoreline protection and enhancement, boardwalk repair at north end, and repairs to the abutments and re-decking of the wooden trestle that leads to Taylor Dock.*

Greenway Preservation Endowment \$4.2 million

This endowment banks a principal amount of money and uses interest on this account to provide for selected maintenance and management of Greenways properties and facilities that are integral to the Greenways system.

Greenways III Proposed Projects



Legend



Greenways III
Land Acquisition & Project Areas



Greenways III Trail Projects



Existing Parks & Open Space

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