



Walkways and Waterways:

Improved Log Boom Park re-opens to the public with expanded beach and new amenities

The park reopens to the public this Thursday, June 30

Ribbon cutting ceremony will be on August 9 at 6:00 p.m.

Kenmore, WA - Log Boom Park will reopen to the public on Thursday, June 30, 2022. The park has been closed since last summer as renovations were completed on the 1.5-acre Log Boom Park Waterfront Access & Viewing Project. The project, approved by voters through the 2016 Walkways and Waterways bond measure, aims to improve waterfront access to Lake Washington while restoring native vegetation for wildlife habitat.

The 3.9 acre park features a range of new amenities including a new sandy beach and lake access area, water access for hand-powered watercraft, a picnic shelter, a boat rental building, public artworks including the signature "Flume" sculpture by [Jennifer Dixon](#), seating, and an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible concrete path promenade. A local concessionaire, [WhatsUp Stand Up Paddle and Surf](#), will also be on site this summer renting hand-powered watercraft such as kayaks and paddleboards.

"We are thrilled to be re-opening this beloved park for everyone to enjoy this summer and for many years to come," said Kenmore Mayor Nigel Herbig. "Residents and visitors to Kenmore will have a much-improved experience when they dip their toes in the sand, launch their kayak, or take in a sunset. I am especially proud of the planning and care taken to preserve, protect and restore the natural habitat along Kenmore's shoreline."

The project includes environmental enhancements such as protection of one acre of on-site wetlands from public access, improvements to aquatic habitat, removal of invasive plant species, and riparian and

upland plantings of native vegetation. The work resulted in [106 new trees and over 1,000 new shrubs being planted](#) within the project site.

"We want to thank the Kenmore community for their support of this project and their patience as we have awaited project completion", said City of Kenmore Project Manager Maureen Colaizzi. "I also want to thank the contractor, Road Construction Northwest, Inc., who worked tirelessly to stay on schedule despite pandemic setbacks and maintained a safe and professional worksite throughout the process. We are so excited to share this beautiful new outdoor space with the public."

The Log Boom Park Waterfront Access & Viewing Project is one of five projects included in the 2016 Walkways and Waterways bond measure. In 2015, an extensive community input process confirmed that safe routes for pedestrians and cyclists and connecting residents with the city's public open space and waterfront are top priorities for the Kenmore community. The overall cost of the project is expected to be \$3.8 million. Additional funding for the project was provided by King County and the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Funding Board. The team for the project includes: Road Construction Northwest, Osborn Consulting/KBA Construction Management Company, Mott Macdonald, JA Brennan and Associates, Davido Consulting Group, Confluence Environmental Company, Pressler Engineering Inc. and J3Architects.

Additional information:

The community is invited to celebrate the completion of this project at a formal Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on August 9, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. The invitation and additional information can be found [here](#).

Onsite parking at Log Boom Park is limited. Park users are reminded to walk, bike, or use public transportation to access the park when possible. Public on-street parking exists along NE 175th east from 61st-68th Avenue NE. Please respect the park neighbors and businesses and do not park in private parking spaces.

The City is currently recruiting volunteer groups to adopt-the-park and help maintain a healthy, clean and accessible park for all. Interested individuals or groups can learn more at www.kenmorewa.gov/volunteer.

There will not be a fireworks show taking place at Log Boom Park for 4th of July this year. However, there will be a community fireworks show happening on August 11 as part of the [West Sammamish River Bridge Opening Celebration](#), with Log Boom Park as a viewing location.

Learn more about the [Log Boom Park Waterfront Access & Viewing Project](#)