

POULSBO'S FISH PARK

VOLUNTEER COMMUNIQUE



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Year end 2015



POULSBO PARKS AND RECREATION

2015 was an outstanding and productive year at Poulsbo's Fish Park!

Bond Rd/Holm Property Clean Up



Thank you for your time, resources and

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- The DNR/Urban Forestry Restoration Project provided a crew to Fish Park, who performed maintenance and restoration improvements in June, September and December 2015. They removed invasives, identified new trails and repaired old trails, performed repair work around the park, and did general park maintenance. WWU students are monitoring the restoration work as part of their curriculum.

Bat Houses (Scout Forrest Duval)



- Work has begun on the "Holm" Property, which the city purchased in 2014. This part of the park is accessed from Bond Road. New trails will connect with existing trails to make the entire 40 acres walkable.

- One Eagle Scout project was completed this year—a series of 5 bat houses.

- Another 1000 Fish Park brochures were distributed to visitors via the two kiosks.

- Salmon Viewing Saturday was held on November 7. About 243 people visited the park to learn new things about the riparian area, visit with representatives of different environmental agencies, and discover the salmon lifecycle.

- Many native trees, plants and seeds were planted throughout the year, though the dry summer saw some plant mortality.

- There are still more maintenance zones available for your group or organization! Give Mary a call at 360-779-9898.

- The project received a grant from the WA Dept of Fish & Wildlife for restoration work on the newest parcels. Fundraising continues to become more important as improvements are needed on the new parcels. Grants are being sought, but please call Mary at 360-779-898 if you have ideas or want to make a donation.

2015 "By the Numbers"

*512 documented volunteers visits.

*3110 hours were recorded with an in-kind value of \$38,970

*\$3277 in material donations.

*12 Steering Committee meetings were held. These committed community members continue to plan, build and fundraise for more improvements. They encourage more people to join in!

*10 regular, monthly Volunteer Opportunities

*12 additional work parties were accomplished with outside organizations including the Poulsbo Rotary and Poulsbo Lions/Leo Clubs, LDS Church, Trout Unlimited, Suquamish Tribe, WSU-Kitsap Extension Office—Native Plant Advisors, Windermere-Poulsbo office, Poulsbo Tree Board & Parks & Rec Commission, and the Seattle Arts & Sciences Academy

Volunteer opportunities continue on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 1-4 pm

Many of you pulled blackberries, raked, planted trees & shrubs, picked up trash and made Fish Park what it is today!