



# CAMAS PARKS & RECREATION

2010 THRU 2019

PRESENTED AT THE AUGUST 25, 2021 PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

# OVERVIEW

## PARTNERSHIPS & VOLUNTEERS

Park stewardship and recreation programming are made possible by the many partnerships, sponsorships and volunteers within our Camas community.

## RECREATION PROGRAMS

- Seasonal and Annual Community Events
- Youth Sports and Enrichment Classes
- Adult Sports and Enrichment Classes
- Senior Classes

## PARKS, TRAILS & FACILITIES

- Developed Parks
- Trails
- Open Spaces
- Land Banked for Future Development
- Cemetery
- Camas Community Center
- Lacamas Lodge
- Scout Hall

# PARTNERSHIPS & VOLUNTEERS

## PARTNERSHIPS

- Partners with Camas Parks & Recreation
- Downtown Camas Association
- Camas School District
- Camas/Washougal Chamber of Commerce
- Parks Foundation of Clark County
- Friends & Foundation of Camas Library
- TODAY Foundation
- Camas/Washougal Community Chest
- Children's Home Society
- Camas Sister City Program
- Camas Little League
- Camas/Washougal Babe Ruth

## VOLUNTEERS

- Camas citizens
- Ivy League
- Boys Scouts & Girl Scouts
- Camas School District – Junior High and High School Students
- Washington State School for the Blind
- Lacamas Trails Advocacy Group
- Corporate Sponsors for Lacamas Lake Clean-up
- Churches – United Methodist, North Lake, LDS of Grass Valley & Prune Hill wards, Journey

# VOLUNTEER HOURS

| YEAR | HOURS | NOTES   |
|------|-------|---|
| 2010 | 5020  | Pool and recreation camp programs contributed substantially to higher volunteer hours.                            |
| 2011 | 4530  |   |
| 2012 | 3667  |   |
| 2013 | 2500  |   |
| 2014 | 2930  |   |
| 2015 | 1738  | Starting 2015, no hours reported for pool, camps, projects, and Hometown event partially canceled due to weather. |
| 2016 | 1862  |   |
| 2017 | 1854  |   |
| 2018 | 2181  |   |
| 2019 | 2910  |   |



# RECREATION PROGRAMS/CLASS BY THE NUMBERS

|                         | 2010      | 2019     |
|-------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Types of Programs       | 40        | 39       |
| Classes Taught          | 1539      | 1965     |
| Total # of participants | 12,885    | 16,912   |
| Camas Population        | 19,355    | 24,418   |
| Rec Program Revenue     | \$100,785 | \$85,110 |
| Rec Program Expenses    | \$65,054  | \$46,921 |



# POPULAR ADULT PROGRAMS

## ADULT SPORTS

- Yoga
- Yogilachi
- Self Defense
- Coed Softball
- Men's Softball

## ADULT ENRICHMENT

- Three & Me Craft Classes
- Oil Painting Classes
- Ballroom Dancing
- Standup Paddle boarding
- Tai Chi



## Three & Me

A popular craft workshop class for adults. Workshops cover a variety of multimedia art forms including wood, nail and string art, painting and more.

# POPULAR YOUTH PROGRAMS

## YOUTH SPORTS

- Kung Fu
- Tiny Tots Tumbling
- Kidz Love Soccer Clinics
- Indoor Tennis at Evergreen Tennis
- Coed Flag Football



### Kids yoga

A Children's Yoga class that teaches students how to become the captain of their calm and cultivate kindness.

## YOUTH ENRICHMENT

- Busy Bees Preschool
- Shape NW Summer Camps
- Music Together
- Kids Yoga
- Kids and a Canvas Paint Classes



### Busy bees

Children, ages 3.5 to 6, explore our world through hands-on projects, messy art, learning stations & more.

## RECREATION CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

**2010** – 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Turkey Bingo at the Camas Community Center

**2011** – UK Elite starts with summer camps at Fallen Leaf Field

**2012** – Trails Challenge in partnership with Partners with Camas Parks & Recreation

**2013** – Shape NW Summer Camps & Tai Chi starts

**2014** – Offices moved to the Lodge, online registrations began. Yoga with Chaney starts at the Lodge.

**2015** – Ballroom Dancing starts

**2016** – Standup paddle boarding classes started at the lake

**2017** – Kids & Canvas Paint Nights start

**2018** – Three & Me Adult Craft classes start

**2019** – Fencing starts at the Camas Community Center





# YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS

- 1994 – Willie & Dan Golf Tournament donation started the scholarship program w/\$600 raised, paying for 16 kids to attend summer camp
- Funding has come from TODAY Foundation and Partners ranging from \$350 - \$1000 annually
- Scholarship pays for 75% of class fee
- Free classes are subsidized by this program



## PARKS & RECREATION SPECIAL EVENTS

- Easter Egg Hunt
- Camtown Youth Festival
- Concerts in the Park (4 annually)
- Camas Days Kids Parade
- Family Fun Fridays (4 annually)
- Movies in the Park (5 annually)
- Family Halloween Night
- Hometown Holidays
- Dedication Ceremonies



## AVERAGE ANNUAL ATTENDEES

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Easter Egg Hunt | 1404 |
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| Camtown Youth Festival | 2250 |
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| Concerts in the Park | 1465 |
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| Camas Days Kids Parade | 204 |
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| Family Fun Fridays | 645 |
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| Movies in the Park | 1372 |
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| Family Halloween Night | 567 |
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| Hometown Holidays | 2450 |
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# SPECIAL EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Special Events continue to be free of charge to our community thanks to the support from City Council, general fund, sponsors, donors and volunteers.
- % increase from 2010 to 2019
  - Volunteer hours: 79% (2010, 96.75 hours to 2019, 447 hours )
  - Donations: 57%
  - Cash Donations: 24%
  - Hometown Holidays Sponsorships: 58%
- The top three events with the highest sponsorship support are: Movies in the Park, Family Halloween Night, and Hometown Holidays.





## CAMTOWN YOUTH FESTIVAL

**This event debuted in 2002** and was held in Downtown Camas until it relocated to Crown Park in 2007. This event is devoted to kids ages 3 to 17 and offers a variety of games, arts & crafts activities, entertainment, a petting zoo, art show, flea market and more. This event takes place annually on the first Saturday in June and draws crowds of 2,000 attendees each year.

## CROWN PARK – ANNUAL SPECIAL EVENTS



### EASTER EGG HUNT

**Started in 1992.** This event takes place on Easter Day each year and draws crowds of about 1,500 attendees.



### CONCERTS IN THE PARK

**This series started in 1992.** Weekly concerts are held each summer with an average of 375 attendees each.



### MOVIES IN THE PARK

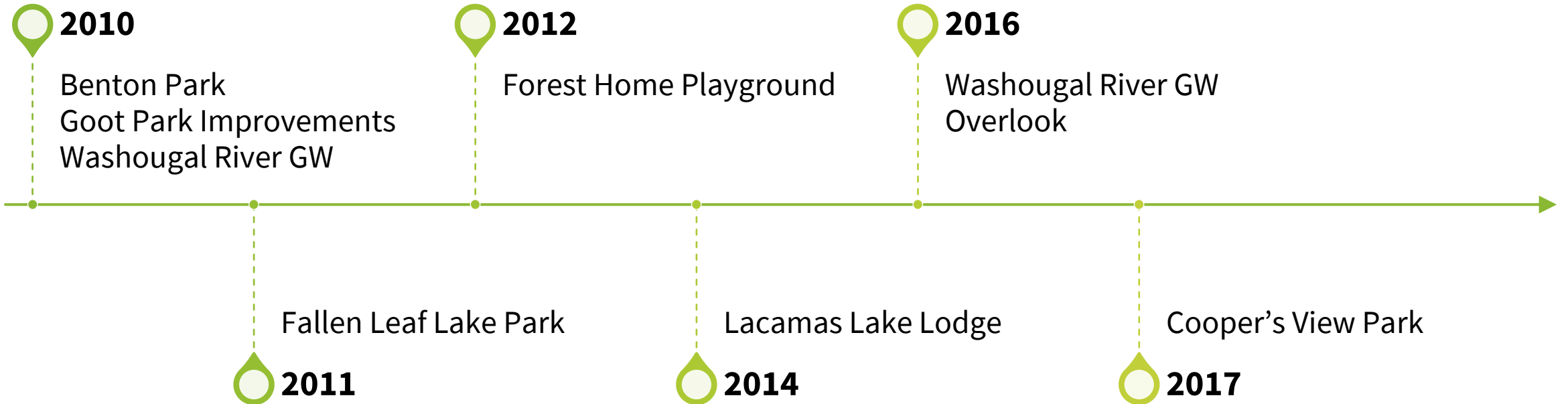
**Debuted in 2007.** Weekly movies are held each summer with an average of 300 attendees per movie.



## HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS IN DOWNTOWN CAMAS

Our events are highly attended and loved by our community members. Hometown Holidays is the signature event for the year, with an average of 2500 attendees each year. It is family-friendly events like these that create the many fun experiences and happy memories that we strive to support.

# DEDICATION CEREMONIES







## CITY-OWNED PARKS AND OPEN SPACES BY THE NUMBERS

2010

2019

|                         |     |     |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| Developed Parks Acreage | 151 | 240 |
| Open Space Acreage      | 529 | 765 |
| Developed Parks         | 14  | 16  |
| Special Use Areas*      | 3   | 4   |
| Undeveloped Parks       | 3   | 3   |
| Trail Miles             | 21  | 22  |

\*Special Use Areas:

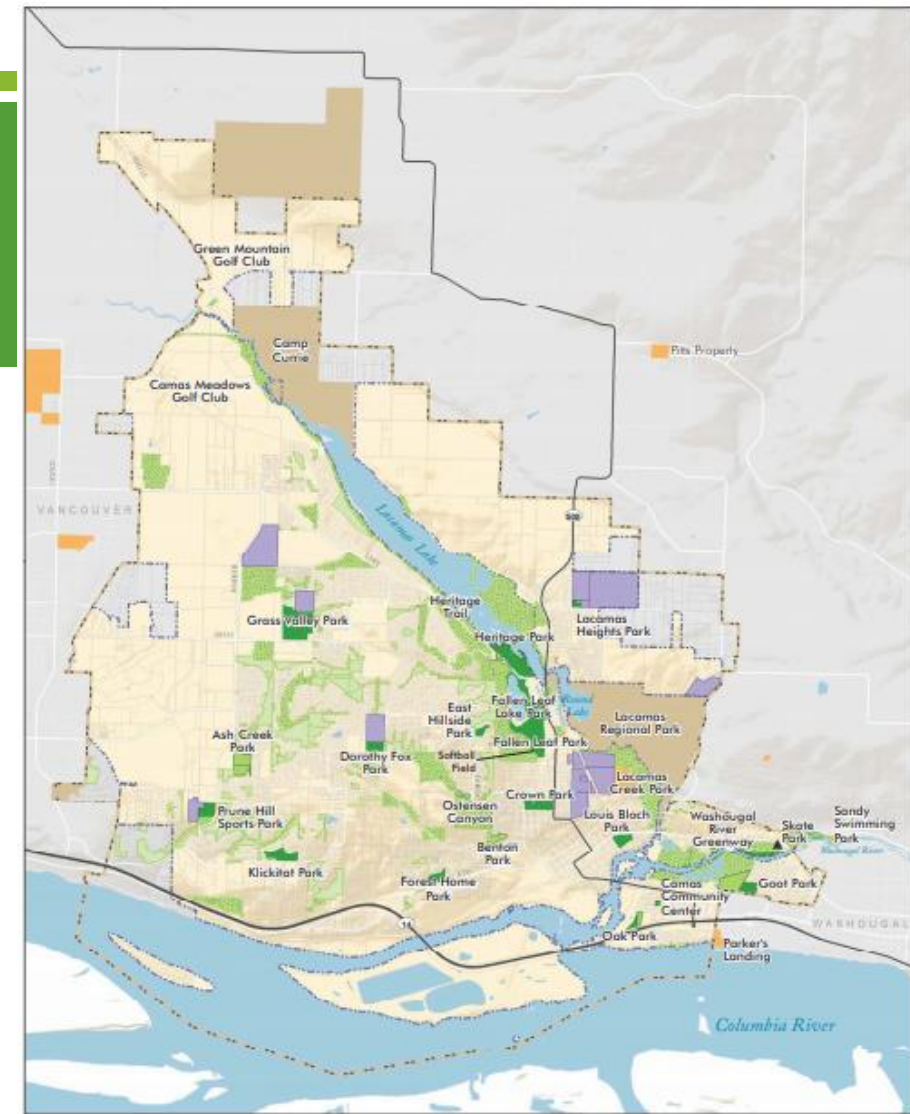
Lodge, Community Center,  
Fallen Leaf Park Shelter,  
Cemetery

# 15 DEVELOPED CAMAS PARKS + 2 COUNTY PARKS

- Baz Park
- Benton Park
- Camas Skate Park
- Coopers View Park
- Crown Park
- Dorothy Fox Park
- Fallen Leaf Lake Park
- Forest Home Park
- Goot Park
- Grass Valley Park
- Heritage Park
- Klickitat Park
- Louis Bloch Park
- Oak Park
- Prune Hill Sports Park

## Clark County Parks

- Camp Currie
- Lacamas Regional Park



**City of Camas**  
WASHINGTON  
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Comprehensive Plan Update  
**Existing Parks  
and Open Space**



# 29.4 MILES OF TRAILS

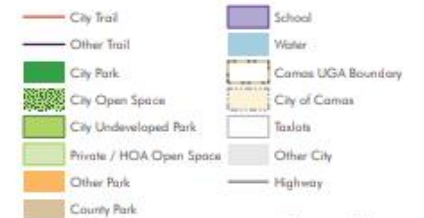
- Heritage Park Trail – 3.5 miles
- Grass Valley Trail – 1 mile
- Lacamas Park Trails – 4.6 mile (County)
- Mill Ditch Trail – 2.6 miles
- Washougal River Greenway Trail – 1.5 miles
- Other Trails – 16.2 miles (City and HOA)



Parks, Recreation and Open Space  
Comprehensive Plan Update

## Existing Trails

© 2014 | Data sources:  
Clark County GIS, USGS, Esri, NOAA



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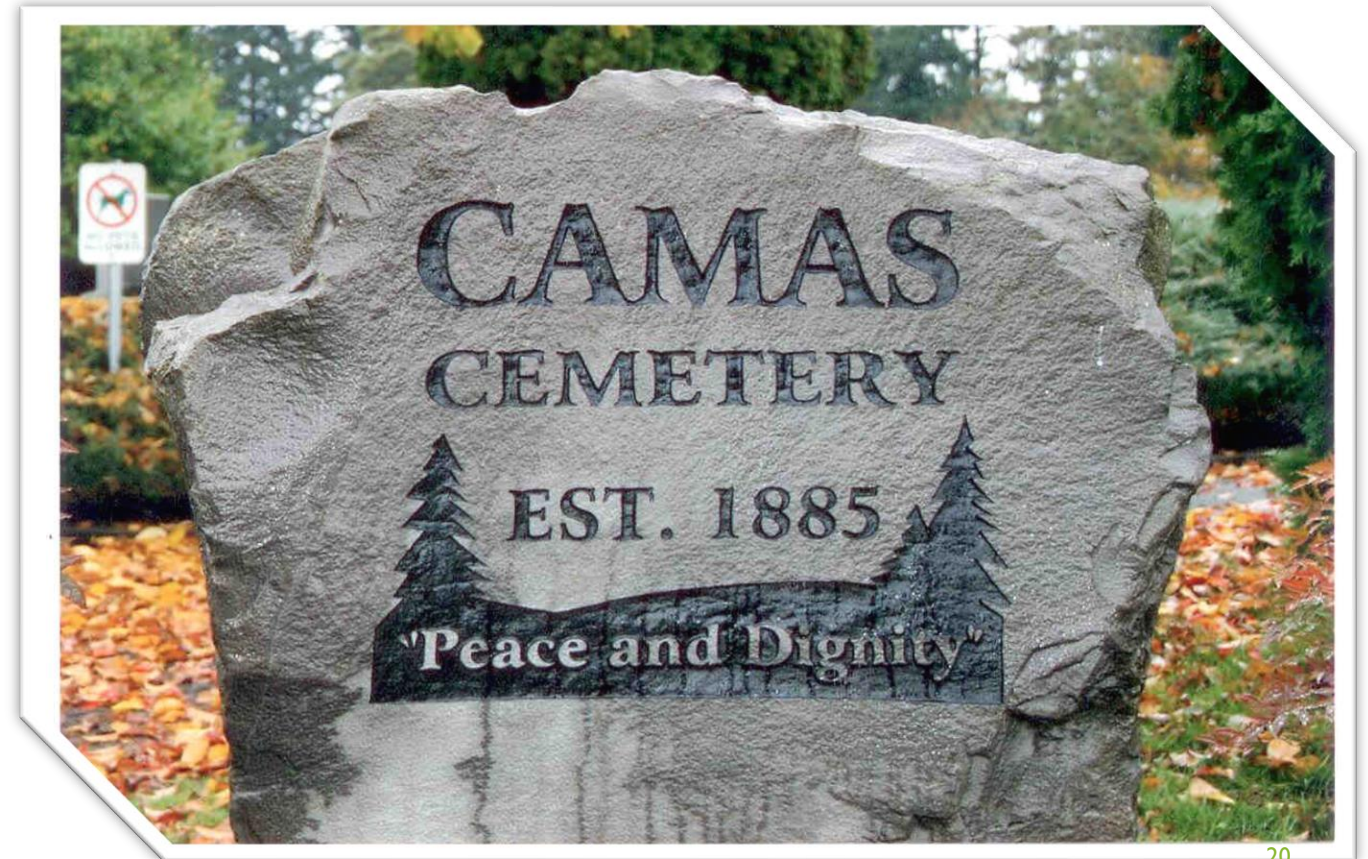
# CAMAS CEMETERY

- 1885 – Initial plotting of cemetery
- 2007 - City of Camas took over ownership and management
- 2009 - Camas Cemetery Master Plan
- 19.94 acres – Cemetery platted parcel

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  - 5,529 general lots
  - 425 child section
  - 435 family/oversize lots
  - 174 cremain lot
  - 96 Johnson wall
  - 264 Garden of Faith
  - 60 Remembrance wall

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- 5.5 acres – Future plat development



## LEGACY LANDS PROJECT<sup>21</sup>

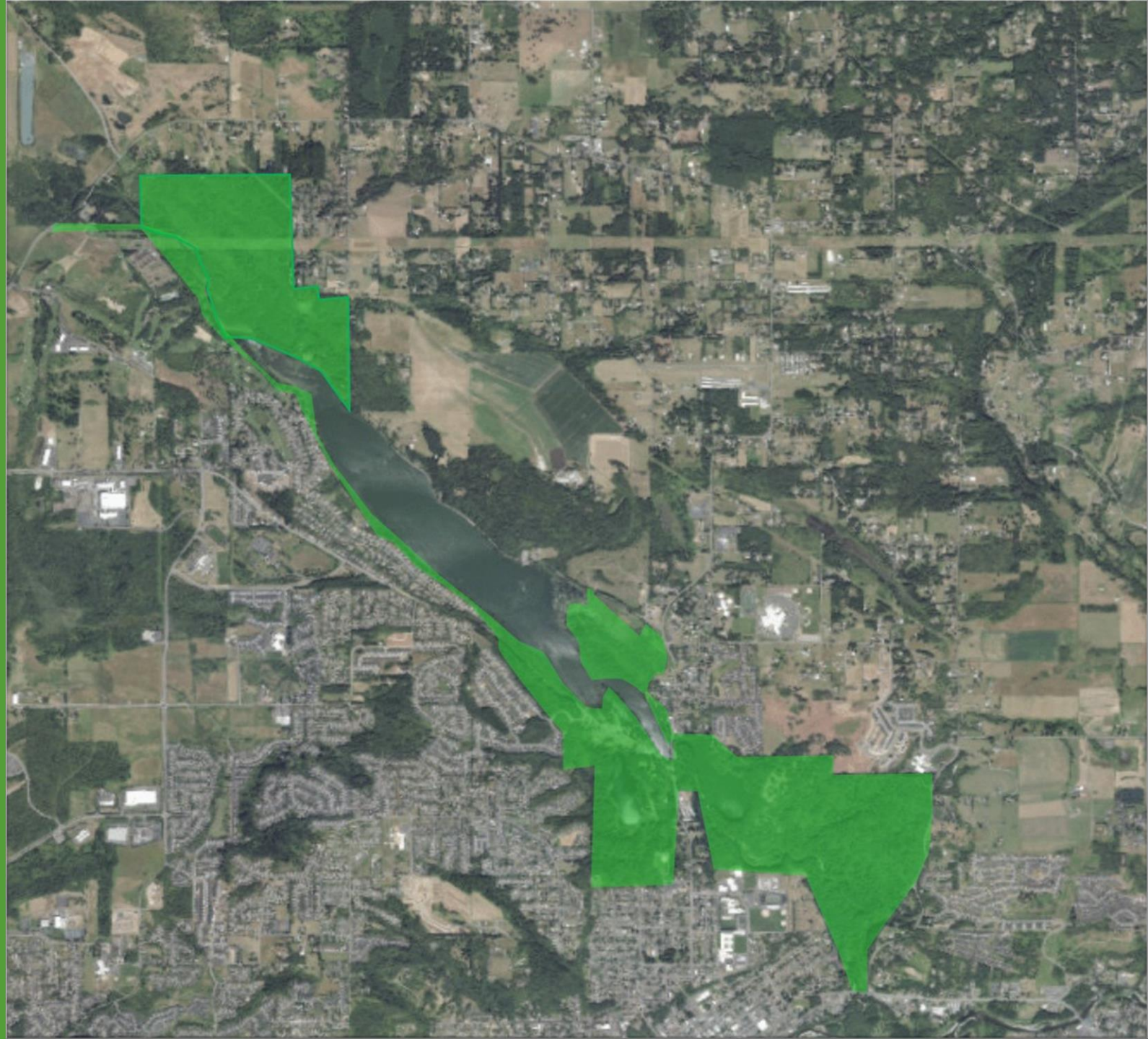
This project was part of the City of Camas Strategic Plan from 2018-2020. Preserving our integration with the outdoors was the vision and principle behind the Legacy Lands Project. By adding 237 acres to the existing 880 acres, Camas would have over 1100 acres of publicly owned land around Lacamas Lake guaranteeing recreation, access and conservation for generations to come.



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# CITY & COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY

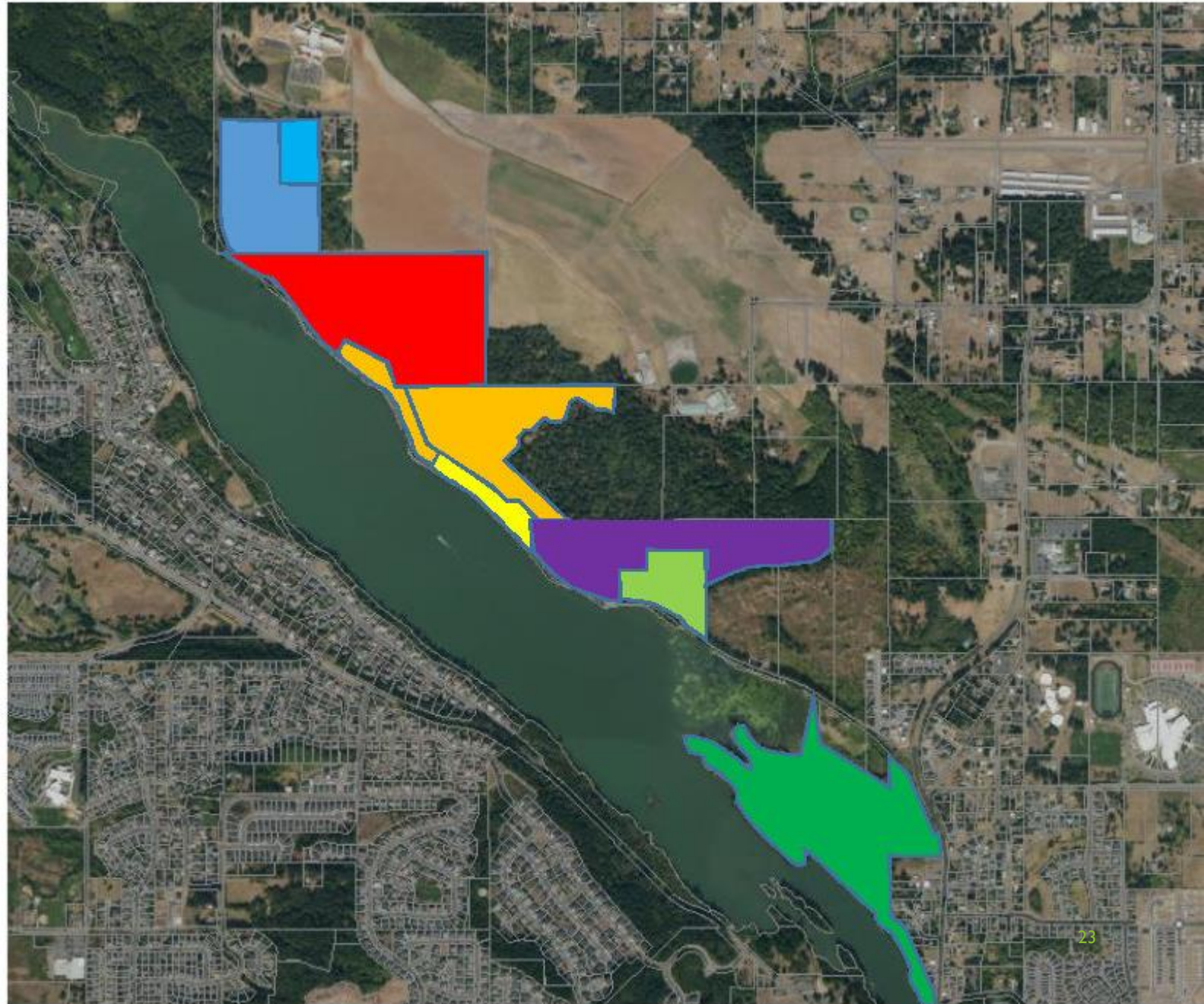
- PRIOR TO LEGACY LANDS  
– 880 ACRES



# NORTH SHORE

(Legacy Lands acquisition)  
CITY ADDED 237 ACRES

-  Buma (1) 22.63ac, acquired 11/18
-  Buma (2) 6ac, acquired 10/19
-  Mills (1) 33ac, acquired 1/19
-  Mills (2) 5.6ac, acquired 1/18
-  Wildlife League 10.6ac, acquired 12/18
-  Lacamas Lake Shoreline 71.65ac, acquired 6/12
-  Rose 54.45ac, acquired 4/20
-  CJ Dens 33 ac, acquired 4/20



# LEGACY LAND PROPERTY HIGHLIGHTS



## Wildlife League

Property is 10.6 acres and donated to the City in December 2018.



## Leadbetter House

The 33-acre Mills property was acquired in January 2019 for \$2.5M.



## Rose Property

The 54.45-acre Rose property was acquired in April 2020 for \$12.5M.



## RECREATION RENTAL FACILITIES



### Community Center

This former school turned community center in 1989. The 105-year-old facility features three rooms available to rent.

- Ballroom capacity: 300
- Reception Room capacity: 50
- Conference Room capacity: 50



### Fallen Leaf Shelter

Outdoor facility opened in Summer 2012. Available for rentals Memorial Day weekend through September annually.

- Capacity: 150



### Lacamas Lodge

This popular conference center opened in Spring 2014 and overlooks Lacamas Lake. The Lodge is available to rent year-round.

- Main Hall capacity: 168
- Conference rooms: 10/each<sup>25</sup>



## CAMAS COMMUNITY CENTER

The Camas Community Center continues to be a popular indoor facility for a variety of events. This venue has three rental rooms to choose from and it's amazing how people still transform these rooms for their events. During the week, several of our Recreation classes are held at this facility and it gets heavily used by non-profit groups.

# COMMUNITY CENTER

| Year               | 2019        | 2018        | 2017        | 2016        | 2015        | 2014        |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Reservations | 1175        | 990         | 1118        | 1144        | 1129        | 947         |
| Classes            | 676         | 582         | 687         | 573         | 507         | 450         |
| Private Rentals    | 143         | 104         | 104         | 131         | 135         | 102         |
| Revenue            | \$18,485    | \$14,558    | \$12,685    | \$14,014    | \$12,294    | \$9,163     |
| Non-Profits*       | 356         | 304         | 327         | 440         | 487         | 395         |
| NP Revenue         | \$1,145     | \$1,045     | \$1,230     | \$1,020     | \$689       | \$885       |
| Direct O&M         | \$18,761.27 | \$18,758.61 | \$13,860.56 | \$15,999.41 | \$16,649.35 | \$20,541.71 |

RATES: Mid-Week [M-F(1pm)]: Ballroom (\$150/day), Reception Rm (\$75/day), Conference Rm (\$50/day).

Weekend [F(1pm)-Sun]: Ballroom (\$300/day), Reception Rm (\$150/day), Conference Rm (\$100/day).

\*Special rates: M-Th from 8am-5pm and F before 1pm: Free use for Non-Profits, City of Camas or School sponsored events, and public agencies. Weekend rentals: Charged mid-week rates.



## FALLEN LEAF LAKE PARK SHELTER

The park property was originally owned by Georgia Pacific until the City of Camas took ownership in 2011 with the help of a grant from Columbia Land Trust. Fallen Leaf Lake Park Shelter has been a very popular outdoor facility rental since it opened in 2012. The rental season normally begins on Memorial Day Weekend (aside from 2020 and 2021) through September. A variety of private events take place at the park shelter each summer and primarily on weekends.

# FALLEN LEAF LAKE PARK SHELTER

| Year            | 2019     | 2018     | 2017     | 2016     | 2015     | 2014    |
|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| Total           | 75       | 63       | 64       | 77       | 64       | 86      |
| City of Camas   | 10       | 4        | 3        | 1        | 0        | 23      |
| Private Rentals | 56       | 50       | 54       | 68       | 56       | 54      |
| Revenue         | \$15,620 | \$14,510 | \$14,845 | \$15,192 | \$10,558 | \$9,840 |
| Non-Profits*    | 9        | 9        | 7        | 8        | 8        | 9       |
| NP Revenue      | \$1,800  | \$1,800  | \$1,400  | \$1,324  | \$955    | \$1,075 |
| Direct O&M      | \$2,250  | \$1,890  | \$1,920  | \$2,310  | \$1,920  | \$2,580 |

Reservations available Memorial Day weekend through September.

RATES: \$300/day Weekend (F-Sun) and Holidays, \$200/day Mid-Week (M-Thur)

\*Special rates: Non-Profit (mid-week rates for weekend rentals), Camas Residence (20% discount), Public Agencies (\$60/hour)



## LACAMAS LODGE

Lacamas Lodge has been a popular indoor venue since it opened in 2014. People rent this facility for a variety of events including weddings, family reunions and conferences. The Lodge accommodates up to 168 people. A highlight of the facility is the patio that overlooks Lacamas Lake. During the week, several Recreation classes take place at this location.

# LACAMAS LODGE

| <b>Reservations</b> | <b>2019</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>2014</b> |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Reservations  | 1017        | 1069        | 754         | 1240        | 1500        | 931         |
| Rec Classes         | 872         | 927         | 639         | 1130        | 1378        | 846         |
| Private Rentals     | 129         | 124         | 102         | 100         | 111         | 82          |
| Revenue             | \$99,307.50 | \$87,946.00 | \$71,855.00 | \$81,480.00 | \$71,364.50 | \$38,375.00 |
| Non-Profits *       | 16          | 18          | 13          | 10          | 11          | 3           |
| NP Revenue          | \$12,262.50 | \$9250      | \$7700      | \$4570      | \$4130      | \$625       |
| Direct O&M          | \$21,728.73 | \$20,037.37 | \$17,720.16 | \$18,737.32 | \$19,960.80 | \$16,448.77 |

RATES: \$175/hour (5-hours min. rental req. on Saturday and 2-hours min. rental req. on Sunday-Friday)

\*Special rates: Non-Profit (50% discount), Camas Residence (20% discount), Public Agencies (\$60/hour)



## SCOUT HALL

Scout Hall at Crown Park was once Camas' first schoolhouse. The one room school was later moved below the Mill Ditch on Garfield (across from Nora Selt Hall - now "First United" Pentecostal Church) and used as a Scout Hall for the Boy Scouts. From there the building was again moved to its present location at Crown Park. It is still called the Scout Hall and is used by scouts and many other community groups.

The facility is also used for Special Events like the annual Camtown Art Show and for Summer Camps.





# SCOUT HALL

| <b>Year</b>   | <b>2019</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>2014</b> |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total         | 272         | 307         | 316         | 303         | 252         | 272         |
| City of Camas | 27          | 60          | 86          | 59          | 50          | 28          |
| Non-Profits   | 245         | 247         | 230         | 244         | 202         | 244         |

No Fees for reservations



# QUESTIONS