

Lord Hill Regional Park Information

LOGGING

Some of the earliest logging in Snohomish County occurred on Lord Hill. Old growth timber had been completely logged by the mid-1930s. In the 1980's, the Department of Natural Resources harvested portions of second growth timber.

RECREATION

Lord Hill is a regional park that provides a close-in day use area for the Snohomish / King County area. The park contains over six miles of designated trails, car and horse trailer parking. Viewpoints such as Devil's Butte Lookout or along the ridge of the Pipeline Trail offer excellent views of the Cascade and Olympic mountains.

VEGETATION

The phased harvesting created three primary types of habitat.

Douglas Fir and Western Hemlock are the main conifer species growing in the Second Growth Forest, along with Western Red Cedar, Grand Fir, Red Alder and Big Leaf Maple.

The most recent clear cut areas were aerially seeded with Douglas Fir. These areas form the second major vegetation community.

WETLANDS

Nine small ponds and wetlands exist within the park site. All of the water on the site is either the product of runoff or small springs. Runoff is channeled through the ridges and collects at the low points of the drainage basins.

WILDLIFE

The park supports a large population of birds, animals and fish. The most evident animal species in the park is beaver. The forests and wetlands are also inhabited by squirrels, shrews, mice, skunks, deer and occasional bear and bobcat.