

F1 FOREST - PASSIVE

2008 Concept Plan

Forest Area

Concept: To create an exceptional pedestrian environment while preserving and enhancing the native forest and wildlife habitat

- Encourage low impact pedestrian trails
- Encourage forest and wildlife preservation
- Restoration of disturbed areas
- Interpretive and environmental education
- Upgrade existing facilities at Gig Harbor Viewpoint
- Full service picnic area
- Playground

Five Mile Drive

Concept: To develop an exceptional pedestrian environment

- Encourage pedestrian access by increasing pedestrian-only times
- Relocated away from bluff where bluff stability is a hazard
- Minimize number of pedestrian trail and road conflicts

2014 Internal Program Planning

- All 2008 Concept Plan elements are still valid
- Consider making last loop of Five Mile Drive shuttle service only
- Park ambassador / interpretation program
- Geocaching
- Phone apps for park, trail and nature information

2015 Public Comments

- Minimizing car traffic on portions of 5 Mile Drive
- Increase covered areas for picnics
- Improve interpretive signage
- More maps along the trails; mark trails better; maintain trails
- Volunteer trail guide program

F2 CENTRAL - PASSIVE / ACTIVE FOREST AREA

2008 Concept Plan

Concept: To create an exceptional pedestrian environment that invites users to participate and learn in the forest environment

- Encourage low impact pedestrian trails
- Strong pedestrian access between historic zone and zoo
- Encourage forest and wildlife preservation
- Create environmental education opportunities
- Potential for less invasive activities such as canopy zipline

2014 Internal Program Planning

- All 2008 Concept Plan elements are still valid
- Ropes course; zipline, canopy walk and tree house connecting former Camp 6 area to zoo and other attractions
- Dedicated trail to biking

2015 Public Comments

- Nature based activity; low impact
- Increase winter activity options
- Add limited mountain bike trail, separate from runners / walkers
- More maps along the trails

1 FORT NISQUALLY, CAMP 6 AND BAKER TRACT

2008 Concept Plan

Historic Zone

Concept: Develop an integrated educational and historic area focusing on early Puget Sound history.

Programming and exhibits focusing on:

- Native American plant lore and relationship to the environment
- First non-native settlement on Puget Sound – Fort Nisqually
- Industry of the First American settlers – Camp 6 Logging Museum (discontinued)

Baker Tract

Concept: to encourage forest preservation and minimal impact activities

Forest preservation and restoration

- Potential maintenance facility relocation
- Potential off-leash dog park
- Potential satellite parking facility
- Potential for less invasive activities such as ropes courses
- Potential expansion of historic zone into Baker Tract

2014 Internal Program Planning

- For the most part, 2008 Concept Plan elements are still valid

Fort Nisqually

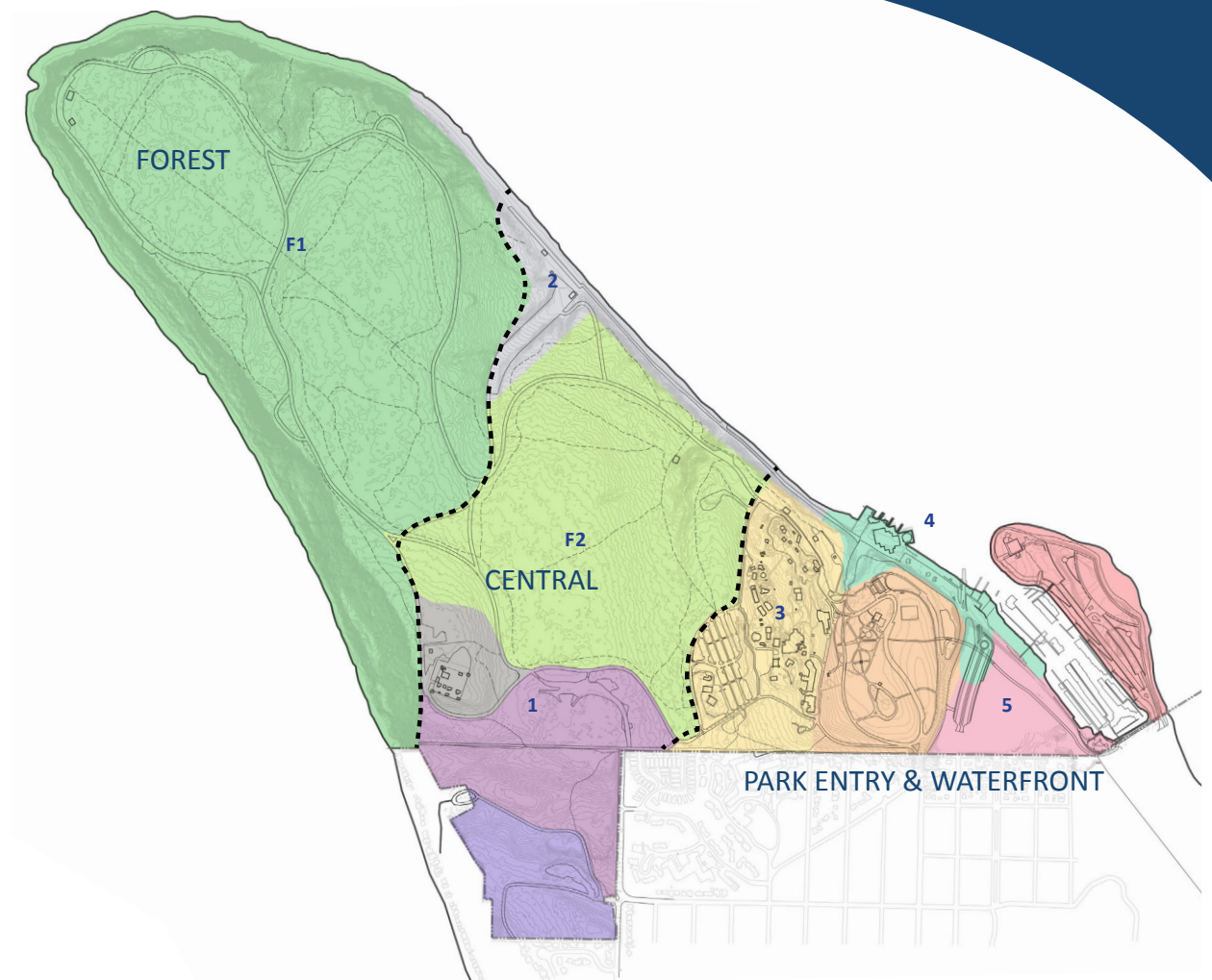
- Renovate of some buildings to be more historically accurate and to support the living history museum programming
- Native American Interpretive Center / Plank House: classroom space for education and enrichment classes, camps and public rentals, storage and staff
- Meadow: expansion of agricultural lectures, native plants, heritage trees – tie into historic programming
- WPA picnic shelter: renovate for picnic rentals and continue to use space for educational lectures and recreational / fitness programs

Former Camp 6

- Adventure Center: multi-use facility with space for classes and year-round activity programming
- Seasonal customer service / visitor station: space for camps and classes, check in for ropes course and adventure activities
- Open air amphitheater and stage: outdoor performances and gathering for large groups
- Covered corporate picnic pavilion for large company and family events

Baker Tract

- Destination children's playground: adventure style playground to accommodate 200 children and families
- Additional small picnic shelters
- Active recreation opportunities
- Relocate dog park to center of Baker Tract for distance from historic activity
- Park maintenance facilities: relocate from Triangle; consider expanding and/or combining with zoo facilities.



2015 Public Comments

- Interpretive area for native plants and Native history
- Education component should be focused on nature
- Provide educational opportunities for all ages
- Education programs that emphasize history and nature
- Minimal impact on forest; save trees
- New programs should be nature based, not amusement park
- New nature playground that is attractive to older kids, not just toddlers
- Supportive of active adventure programs that are carefully planned to fit into surroundings and not disturb other park users
- Dog park needs better location, should be fully fenced with better oversight / management
- Keep dogs on leashes outside of dog park and enforce
- No high school campus appearance at park
- No motorized recreational vehicles or other activities that are noisy
- Keep noise of all kind to a minimum, especially within hearing of Fort Nisqually
- Keep non-historic activity away from Fort Nisqually
- Bike rentals
- Shuttle service, limit cars

2 OWEN BEACH AND PROMENADE

2008 Concept Plan

Concept: Develop a destination that encourages recreational activities and allows visitors to celebrate the history of the waterfront

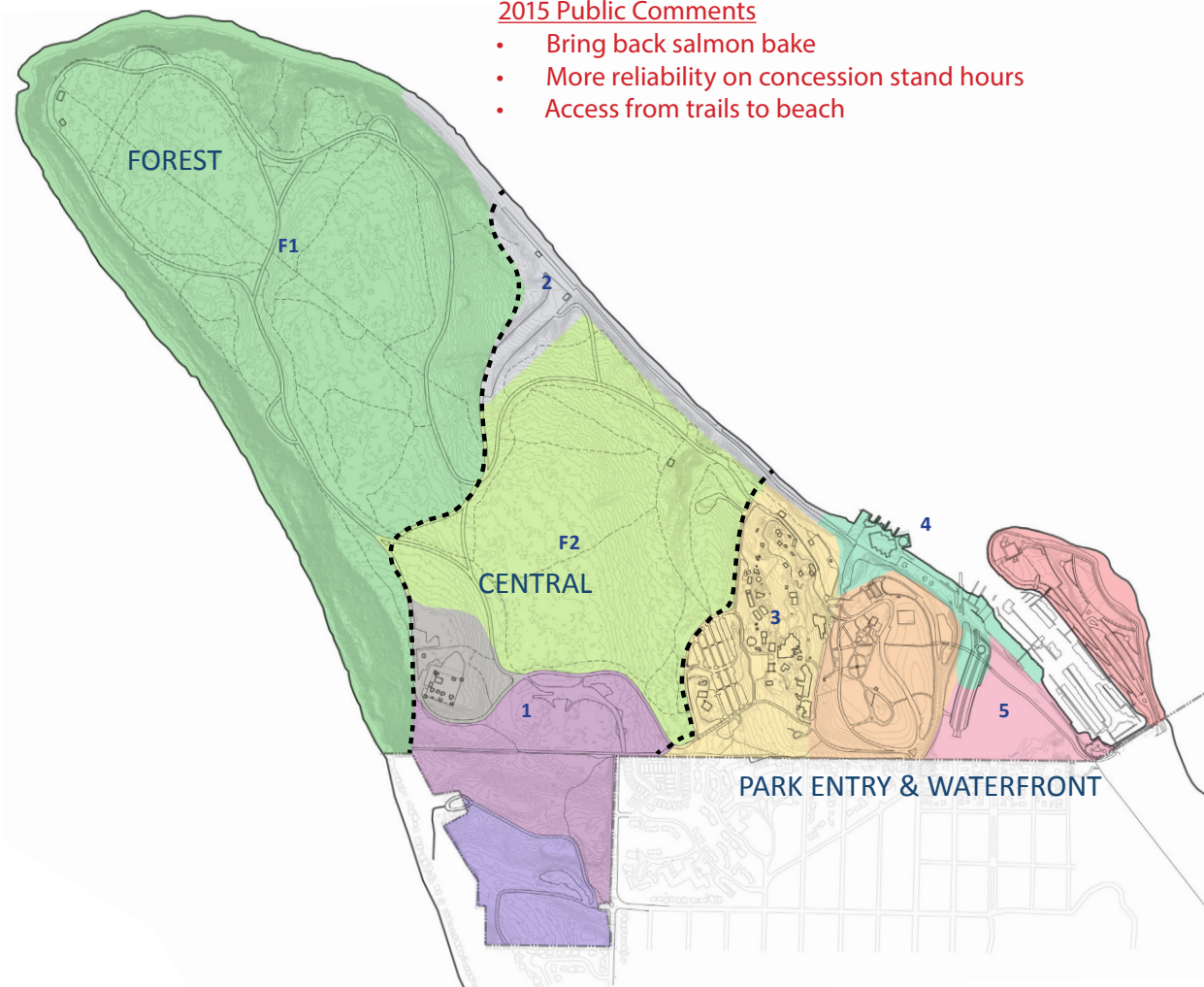
- Add seating along promenade trail
- Construct new two-way vehicular entry to Owen Beach
- Construct pedestrian / bike skybridge
- Potential water taxi stop
- Add full service covered picnic shelter and enlarge picnic area overlooking bay with tower access to beach
- Construct view tower
- Upgrade existing facilities
- Enhance beach rental and concession opportunities

2014 Internal Program Planning

- For the most part, 2008 Concept Plan elements are still valid
- Primarily a picnic beach
- Additional activities: volleyball, scuba, all types of small boating and non-motorized watercraft
- Replace existing restrooms and concession building with one structure that has a multi-use space as well; could be 2-story
- Shuttle stop
- Extend beach / lawn access

2015 Public Comments

- Bring back salmon bake
- More reliability on concession stand hours
- Access from trails to beach



3 POINT DEFIANCE ZOO & AQUARIUM

2008 Concept Plan

Concept: to integrate and expand educational opportunities of existing Zoo and Aquarium zone with adjacent park uses

- Potential new aquarium

2014 Internal Program Planning

- PDZA has developed master plan
- New aquarium of 40,000 SF
- Convert existing aquarium to South American exhibit
- Replace education portables with 25,000 SF permanent education building
- Expand and refurbish Polar Bear exhibit
- Repairs and improvements to Rocky Shores exhibit
- Repairs and improvements to seawater systems
- Add Russian Far East Exhibit and Australia Exhibit
- Add parking

2015 Public Comments

- Provide better lighting and sidewalk for pedestrian safety from zoo to entrance and bus lines

4 MARINA AND WATERFRONT

2008 Concept Plan

Concept: To preserve the history and educate visitors while upgrading facilities to promote access to the waterfront

- Create maritime village, retail and restaurant opportunities
- Retain ferry terminal in current location
- Create additional parking
- Create additional boat moorage facilities
- Expand boat ramp facilities
- Enhance fishing and water access

2014 Internal Program Planning

- For the most part, 2008 Concept Plan elements are still valid
- Water taxi / water sight-seeing tours
- Multi-use space: classrooms; marine sciences; rented for functions, receptions, events, etc.
- Improve pedestrian access to the Pagoda and Zoo

2015 Public Comments

- Increase winter activity
- Improve boat access

5 TRIANGLE

2008 Concept Plan

Concept: To create a mixed-use development through public / private partnership that accommodates parking and public open space

- Create pedestrian promenade
- Construct pedestrian / bike only bridge connection to ferry and other park amenities
- Create gateway at Pearl Street entrance
- Below grade parking for 1000+ cars
- New park space on landscape lid of proposed below grade parking
- Public art and focal point
- Create open space for seasonal events
- Uses may include lodge / conference center and retail

2014 Internal Program Planning

- New Visitor Center
- Restaurants / food carts
- Lodging / conference center
- Educational spaces
- Summer outdoor tented events
- Farmer's market / venue to host festivals / open space
- Main parking with access to light rail / public busing / park shuttle
- Phone apps for event information, park history, trails, etc.

2015 Public Comments

- Fix front entry for better traffic flow and safety for pedestrians
- Link to Ruston Way trail
- Concerned about traffic impacts to City of Ruston neighbors
- Better entrance and directional signage
- Aesthetics of structures should be compatible with park character
- Better parking and better access for people