

Project Background:

- 2015: With written support from the Intertwine Alliance and area jurisdictions, Clark County applied for a National Park Service Technical Assistance Grant to create a concept plan that provides trail alignment maps from Washougal to La Center, WA.
- 2016: A National Park Service (NPS) Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program grant awarded to Clark County in 2016 provided the support needed to guide stakeholder discussions, concept trail design, map planning and town connections. The results of this work will be published within the final concept plan report in 2020.

Public and Stakeholder Engagement:

- 2017: Initial collaborative meetings were held in January and November. A trail planning charrette included fourteen volunteer landscape architects, nine students from area colleges, two high school student



Trail Planning Charrette held on Saturday, November 18, 2017 at Fort Vancouver. Over 50 participants contributed to the planning discussions.

ambassadors and fifty participants representing city governments, area ports, national wildlife refuges, non-profit groups, Cowlitz Indian Tribe members, area parks staff, the National Park Service, trail advocates and interested members of the public.

- 2018-2019: Additional meetings with stakeholders were held to further define the alignment of the trail. Regional map reviews were held in the cities of Ridgefield, Vancouver and Camas. Presentations and information were shared at Neighborhood Association meetings, small group settings and advisory board meetings. All jurisdictions aligned with the trail have shown great interest in this project.



- 2020: The concept plan of the Lewis and Clark Trail is expected to be completed in May of 2020. The Parks Foundation Annual Luncheon and National Trails Day in Clark County will celebrate the plan completion and established trail segments. Please visit the Clark County website for updates <https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-works/clark-county-parks>.

Newest Trail Segments:

- [The Port of Camas-Washougal](#) completed the Washougal Waterfront Park, trail and natural play area in 2019.
- The Port of Camas-Washougal is continuing to develop the [Waterfront at Parkers Landing](#). The plan includes a multi-use trail that will extend the current system.
- The [City of Washougal Parks Department](#) has prioritized the Columbia Waterfront Trail.
- The [City of Vancouver Waterfront Park](#) was completed in 2018
- The [Port of Vancouver](#) opened a new section of trail in 2019.
- The Port of Vancouver is currently working on the [Terminal 1 Project](#) that will add amenities and extend the trail in downtown Vancouver.
- The [City of Ridgefield](#) has completed the Gee Creek Trail connecting downtown to the Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge area.
- The [Port of Ridgefield](#) has several projects underway that will improve access to the trail.
- [The Lewis River to Vancouver Lake Water Trail](#) covers 32 miles.



City of Ridgefield, Eagle View Park
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