

TOTEM LAKE PARK MASTER PLANNING

June 7, 2013

Emerging themes / park program:

1. Provide a loop trail that has minimal impacts to the wildlife habitat and ecology of the site. (Strong support for maintaining what' s there and building from it).
 - a. Include a connection through the site to the mall that is a better experience than walking along Totem Lake BLVD.
 - b. Safety and security are a concern and need to be addressed.
2. Install viewing platforms to the north, or at locations around the lake, to view the open water, wildlife, (possible views to Mt Rainier)
3. Provide access / connections to the adjacent neighborhood (CKC, SCL Right-of-way, and steep hillside open space to the northeast).
4. Better pedestrian crossing / gateway at CKC, Totem Lake Boulevard and 124th Street (Grade separated):
 - a. Consider "all way crossing" like at Pike Place Market.
5. Create more upland for additional amenities: Wetland education center, parking, picnicking, lawn, etc. (acquire adjacent property(s)?)
6. Program to remove invasive species / site stewardship (Establish a friends of group?)
7. Make the site accessible, provide seating areas and benches, interpretive elements.
8. Have the surrounding businesses support the park site that will preserve the wetland / Lake.
9. Create viewpoints through vegetation management that allow views into the site.
10. Consider if access to the water for human powered boats is desirable.