CONNECTING IT ALL:
The Cross Kirkland Corridor

Interim Trail: Immediate use that enhances the quality of life of the City

Google and the CKC: Linking the workers of tomorrow, today

A world class regional trail with spectacular views

Linking neighborhoods to schools and parks

Safe routes to schools

S. Kirkland P&R: Linking housing, retail, transit and trails together

A future paved path for kids and adults
The Cross Kirkland Corridor
A Vision Decades in the Making

FOR OVER 36 YEARS, Kirkland residents have envisioned a trail and tracks, running parallel along the rail corridor that stretches (north/south) through the city. Kirkland’s leaders have taken many steps to realize this vision.

CKC MILESTONES

- **1977** – Land Use Policies Plan includes trail by tracks
- **1994** – Cross Kirkland Trail explored with BNSF
- **2009** – Active Transportation Plan top priority
- **Fall 2010** – Council authorizes talks with Port
- **February, 2011** – Council adopts 2011 City Work Program – includes evaluating purchase of corridor
- **2011** – Urban Land Institute Study & Recommendations for purchase
- **March, 2011** – Port and City reach tentative agreement for Kirkland segment at $5 million
- **March 9, 2011** – Park Board recommends corridor purchase/CIP reallocation
- **April, 2011** – Council adopts multi-modal vision for the corridor
- **December 7, 2011** – Transportation Commission recommends corridor acquisition/CIP reallocation
- **December 12, 2011** – Council unanimously approves purchase and sale agreement with the Port for the CKC
- **April 14, 2012** – Kirkland becomes owner of the Cross Kirkland Corridor
- **2012** – State awards $2M interim trail grant
- **2012** – PSRC awards $1M interim trail grant
- **November 2012** – Proposition 2: Parks Levy passed with 57% approval; Interim trail the single largest project in the levy
- **2013** – State awards $1.3M for pedestrian connection to South Kirkland Park and Ride and $500,000 for acquisition
- **June 28, 2014** – Ground is broken on construction of the Interim Trail.
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Connecting Communities

KIRKLAND’S 5.75 MILE LONG SECTION of the Eastside Rail Corridor (ERC) is the most densely populated segment along the entire 42 miles. The federal Surface Transportation Board formally approved abandonment of the ERC in 2009. The Cross Kirkland Corridor directly connects to eight of the City’s 13 neighborhoods. At its southern end, the CKC is situated at SR 520 and I-405, providing easy access and connections to the cities of Bellevue, Seattle and Redmond. At its northern end, the CKC connects the Totem Lake Designated Urban Center to the rest of the City and to the region.

MAJOR CONNECTIONS

- **Park & School connections:** 14 parks and 7 public schools are within 2000 feet of the corridor
- **Bicycle connections:** the CKC connects to over 20 miles of bicycle lanes on Kirkland arterials
- **Multi-modal capacity to address future congestion from growth and tolling impacts**
Currently there are more than 1,813 businesses located within or touched by a 2,000 ft buffer of the Cross Kirkland Corridor (CKC) with over 18,568 employees, including several of the larger businesses in Kirkland – Evergreen, Google, Nintendo, Astronics and Kenworth Truck (Paccar). With its planned multi-modal transportation capabilities, the CKC can be expected to serve as a magnet for new development, both residential and commercial, over the next 30 years. In the Totem Lake Urban Center alone, approximately 30,000 employees and 4,000 new residents are forecasted by 2035, many of whom are likely to be accommodated on property bordering or within easy access to the corridor.

Astronics Advanced Electronic Systems Corporation

With 300-plus employees occupying 92,000 square feet devoted to research and development, manufacturing, and light assembly space, Astronics is planning a third building and employment growth.

Evergreen Health, Totem Lake Malls, Totem Lake Node

The corridor, together with an existing transit stop, offers transportation options to Evergreen Hospital, the city’s largest employer with over 3,000 workers, as well as a future refurbished mall with 200-plus units of housing over retail, and 160,000 square feet of office space. Lake enhancements adjacent to the corridor and within walking distance to mall and hospital will provide a recreation destination.
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Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)

The corridor will link to this project, currently under construction, with its 4 to 5-story apartment buildings totaling 239 residential units (181 market rate; 58 affordable), and accompanying ground floor commercial space, and a 295-stall parking garage. In addition, surface parking for 850 transit riders is provided.

Par Mac Business District

Once home to aerospace equipment manufacturing and other low density commercial uses, this 30-acre business park is ripe for redevelopment. Zoned for 8-story office/high tech uses, Par Mac is a sleeping giant that will awaken with the redevelopment of the corridor that threads through it.

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Juanita Business District

Market Street Corridor

Central Business District

Rose Hill Business District

Houghton Business District

Yarrow Bay Business District

Par Mac Business District

Google

Google, with its current 800-plus employees and 180,000-square foot presence, has filed permits to double its space and add up to 1000 new employees at this Houghton location, along with partnering with the City to make this stretch of the corridor an active and creatively-designed node.
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KIRKLAND'S BUSINESS CENTERS
▶ Yarrow Bay Business District
▶ Light Industrial/Technology Zone
▶ Totem Lake Business District
The Cross Kirkland Corridor
Connecting the Present to the Future

KIRKLAND IS FULLY FUNDING an interim trail and CKC Master Plan for trail and transit.

- Interim Trail: $3,600,000  ✓ funded
- CKC Master Plan: $500,000  ✓ funded
- Totem Lake Park Master Plan: $150,000  ✓ funded

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