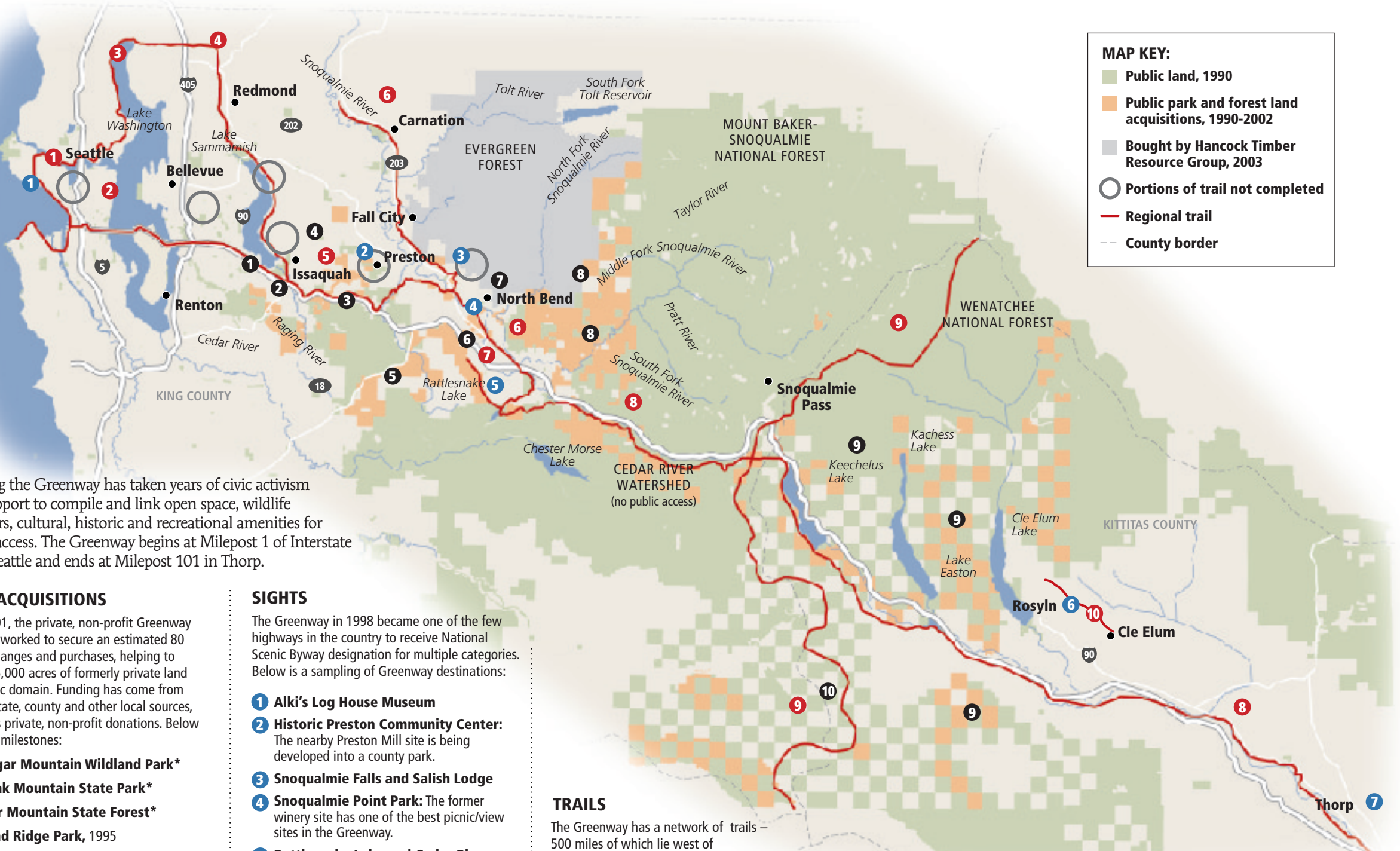


Mountains to Sound Greenway comes of age



MAP KEY:

- Public land, 1990
- Public park and forest land acquisitions, 1990-2002
- Bought by Hancock Timber Resource Group, 2003
- Portions of trail not completed
- Regional trail
- County border

Building the Greenway has taken years of civic activism and support to compile and link open space, wildlife corridors, cultural, historic and recreational amenities for public access. The Greenway begins at Milepost 1 of Interstate 90 in Seattle and ends at Milepost 101 in Thorp.

LAND ACQUISITIONS

Since 1991, the private, non-profit Greenway Trust has worked to secure an estimated 80 land exchanges and purchases, helping to place 125,000 acres of formerly private land into public domain. Funding has come from federal, state, county and other local sources, as well as private, non-profit donations. Below are some milestones:

- 1 Cougar Mountain Wildland Park***
- 2 Squak Mountain State Park***
- 3 Tiger Mountain State Forest***
- 4 Grand Ridge Park, 1995**
- 5 Taylor Mountain Forest, 1997-2001**
- 6 Rattlesnake Mountain, 1993**
- 7 Meadowbrook Farm, 1994**
- 8 Huckleberry Exchange, 2001**
- 9 I-90/Plum Creek Exchange, 1999**
- 10 Pacific Crest Trail, 2003**

SIGHTS

The Greenway in 1998 became one of the few highways in the country to receive National Scenic Byway designation for multiple categories. Below is a sampling of Greenway destinations:

- 1 Alki's Log House Museum**
- 2 Historic Preston Community Center:** The nearby Preston Mill site is being developed into a county park.
- 3 Snoqualmie Falls and Salish Lodge**
- 4 Snoqualmie Point Park:** The former winery site has one of the best picnic/view sites in the Greenway.
- 5 Rattlesnake Lake and Cedar River Watershed Education Center**
- 6 Roslyn:** A 19th century coal-mining town featured on the TV series, "Northern Exposure."
- 7 Thorp grist mill:** The oldest industrial artifact in Kittitas County is a National Historical Landmark.

TRAILS

The Greenway has a network of trails – 500 miles of which lie west of Snoqualmie Pass. Depending on location and season, the trails can be used for hiking, bicycling, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing and other pursuits. But many linkages and funding issues remain before the Greenway dream – a continuous I-90 corridor trail from Alki to Thorp – can be achieved.

- 1 Myrtle Edwards Park/Alki waterfront trails**
- 2 I-90 corridor bike trail**
- 3 Burke Gilman Trail**
- 4 Sammamish River Trail**
- 5 Issaquah-Preston Trail**
- 6 Snoqualmie Valley Trail**
- 7 Rattlesnake Ledge Trail**
- 8 John Wayne Pioneer Trail/Iron Horse State Park**
- 9 Pacific Crest Trail**
- 10 Coal Mines Trail**

* The majority of land on these three mountains, also known as the Issaquah Alps, was acquired before the formation of the Greenway Trust.

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