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## Councilmembers,

Public beach access is a treasure for everyone. Snohomish County and stakeholders have done terrific things improving beach access at Meadowdale Park.

Please complete the acquisition of the beach parcel located between Saltwater Park and the southern end of 27th Ave NW. And please do everything possible to finalize a license or lease with BNSF to accommodate public beach access at both the southern and northern ends of 27th Ave NW.

Thank you.

Tom McCormick

"Safe beach access for everyone, forever."

## Public Beach Access Reopening at Meadowdale Beach Park

After completion of significant project milestones in 2022, Meadowdale Beach reopened to the public on Saturday, January 7, 2023. The Meadowdale Beach Park and Estuary Restoration Project was initiated by Snohomish County Parks and has been a successful partnership with Snohomish County Surface Water Management (SWM), BNSF Railway, Tulalip Tribes, state and federal agencies, and the local community. This project is regionally significant for its role in salmon recovery and Puget Sound shoreline restoration, while making substantial improvements to the park.



Beach access will be available for public use through the new accessible pedestrian walkway under the train track bridges. The remaining construction will take place in a fenced off portion of the park and is anticipated to be finished in the summer of 2023.

Learn more about the project here: <a href="https://snocoparks.info/MeadowdaleProject">https://snocoparks.info/MeadowdaleProject</a>