

SPENCER ISLAND REGIONAL PARK

4th St SE Everett

Type: Regional
 Acreage: 232
 Acquisition Date: 1985
 Ranger District: 5

Description: Spencer Island lies in the heart of the Snohomish River Estuary, an ecosystem formed by mixing a freshwater system (the Snohomish River) and a saltwater system (Port Gardner Bay).

Spencer Island is one of the best places in the Snohomish River Estuary to view waterfowl and shorebirds. Deer, coyote, river otter, and a host of small mammals and amphibians also inhabit the large island. The island has a series of dike top trails that run along the perimeter and cross the island.

The island is co-owned by Snohomish County and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Snohomish County owns the south half of the island, while WDFW owns the north half. The property line is approximately 1,400 feet north of the bridge.

Park History: A dike was built out of earth and wood around the island in the early 1930's for flood control and the island was converted to agricultural use. Most recently, James Scott Rhodes farmed the island, raising over 400 head of cattle.

Park Features:
 Picnic tables
 Interpretive signs
 Interpretive boardwalk
 Slough access
 Saltwater wetland
 Trails
 Portable restrooms

Future Plans: Non motorized boat launch, restoration of the area north of the cross dike.



North end of Spencer Island, looking east

