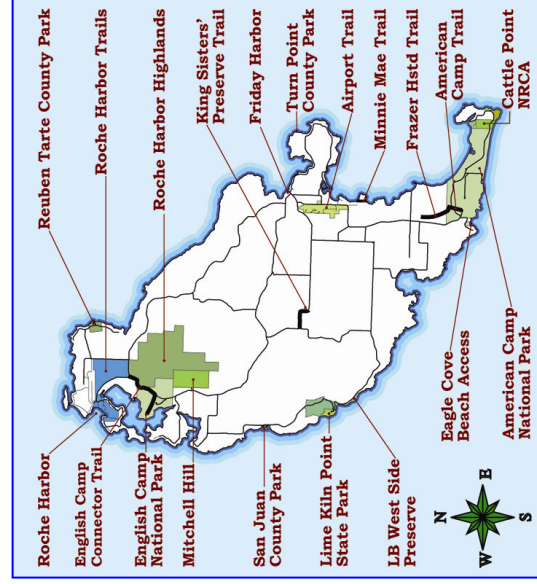


## Goals of the Trails Committee

- To facilitate and participate in the creation, maintenance and use of a network of trails for non-motorized use on San Juan Island
- To develop a long range plan with broad community support for a system of foot paths and multi-use trails connecting key natural, cultural, recreational, residential and commercial areas on the island
- To support and assist public agencies in developing trails and to encourage private property owners to support trails
- To provide maps and information to the public about San Juan Island trails and their community benefits
- To identify and implement a partnership program for trail maintenance

## Trails Overview



## Popular Trails on San Juan Island

### North End:

**Roche Harbor Highlands:** 11 miles of trails meander through lush forests and open meadows around Briggs Lake. These trails provide glimpses of wildlife, with peace and quiet for the hiker, mountain biker and equestrian. Parking is available at the intersection of Roche Harbor and West Valley Roads.

**Roche Harbor Trails:** 8 miles of hiking trails adjacent to the Roche Harbor airport offer open fields and dense forests filled with eagles, foxes and wildflowers. Maps are located at several trail heads. Parking is available at Roche Harbor Resort and Frisbee Golf Course on Rouleau Road.

**English Camp Connector Trail:** This 1 mile long footpath provides an easy and scenic connection between Roche Harbor Highlands and the English Camp National Park. Parking is available at both areas; restrooms at English Camp.

### Mid Island:

**Land Bank Limekiln Preserve:** The San Juan County Land Bank's Limekiln Preserve has trails connecting with those in the State Park, including a trail to Deadman Bay, with a continuing loop next to Westside Lake. Other trails are historic roads from the days when the lime quarries and lime kilns were in operation. Parking is available at turnouts off West Side Road and at Lime Kiln Point State Park; restrooms at the State Park.

### South End:

**American Camp:** 9 miles of trails in American Camp National Park give the hiker a wonderful variety of terrain to explore: open headlands, an historical interpretive loop, South Beach, forest



and water views from Mt. Finlayson and Jakle's Lagoon. From the Visitor's Center a 1.5 mile trail crosses Cattle Point Rd and winds north through forest and meadows and connects to the Land Bank's Frazer Homestead property with pastoral and mountain views. These trails are part of the 6 mile Cattle Point Road Trail (CPRT) which will connect the Park with Friday Harbor. Parking and restrooms can be found in the Park.

### Near Town:

**Airport Trail:** The northern section of the CPRT has 3 miles of trails that begin on Spring Street in Friday Harbor, just past the San Juan Office Supply, and continue through airport property. The trail surface includes a narrow foot path, a paved road (suitable for multi-use), and grassy fields. There is a loop trail and a path south to Cattle Point Road. Park on Spring Street.



## History of the Trails Committee

Increasing the number and quality of trails on San Juan Island has been an interest since 1999 when the San Juan Island Trails Committee was created by Island Rec (San Juan Island Park and Recreation District). The Committee owns no land; therefore, future trail opportunities are encouraged through cooperation between various island agencies and island landowners.

Trails Committee members are volunteers who facilitate discussion and cooperation with public officials and others who share similar goals. A Trails Plan was developed outlining potential accomplishments and vision for the years 2007–2012. Copies are available at the San Juan Island Library and on the Trails Committee website. Under this Plan, work is on-going to create long-distance trails that will connect existing trails and places of interest on the island.

Please join the Committee for fun, camaraderie and making a difference on San Juan Island. Regular meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 5:00 to 6:30 in the Whidbey Island Bank meeting room (on the corner of Mullis and Market Streets, next to Friday Harbor Marketplace). Hikes, bike rides, work parties and other events are planned between these meetings. Members are linked via e-mail and new members are always welcome. Send your e-mail address to be notified of Trails Committee events.

Website: [www.sanjuanislandtrails.org](http://www.sanjuanislandtrails.org)

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## Trails Work Plan 2007 – 2012

The Plan includes the maintenance of current trails and focuses on the development or expansion of other trails on the island.

Maintenance and trail development by the Trails Committee will continue on these trails: Cattle Point Road Trail, Airport Trail, King Sisters Preserve, and the Limekiln and West Side Scenic Preserves. Additionally, neighborhood stewardship groups continue to maintain the Roche Harbor Trail System and the Minnie Mae Byway off Golf Course Road.

Potential trail development:

- Cattle Point Road Trail – completion of the 4 mile connection between the airport and the Frazer Homestead
- Jackson Beach Trail – 1 mile multi-use trail connecting the Town of Friday Harbor and the Elementary School to the gravel pit and Jackson Beach
- Hospital Trail – an off-shoot of the Airport Trail connecting to the future Peace Island Medical Center



Leashed dogs are welcome on all trails.

## San Juan Island

# Trails

## Committee

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