



**Our mission:**

**Protect** North Lake’s west shoreline and watershed, wildlife habitat, Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden & Pacific Bonsai Museum.

**Preserve** the forests, meadows and trails, & public access to them.

**Maintain** the campus character through premium development that blends with the environment and brings high-quality jobs to the community.

**THE THREAT**

**New owner Industrial Realty Group has applied for permits to build 5 separate warehouses — 1.5 million total square feet — covering 178 now-forested acres of the historic Weyerhaeuser corporate campus.**

**THE ISSUES**

Daily Traffic	Watershed	Deforestation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>7,000 vehicles</b> to the campus</li> <li>• Includes nearly <b>1,200 semi-trucks</b></li> <li>• <b>750 semi-trucks</b> jamming I-5 and South 320th Street; <b>400 trucks</b> clogging Hwy 18 at Weyerhaeuser Way and I-5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3-warehouse complex in <b>sensitive North Lake/East Hylebos zone</b></li> <li>• Increased <b>storm water runoff</b></li> <li>• <b>Water quality/quantity impacts</b> to the important East Hylebos stream system</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>More than 4,000 trees</b> in the second-growth urban forest lost to development</li> <li>• <b>58% of significant trees</b> in the watershed clear-cut</li> <li>• <b>Habitat loss</b> for diverse wildlife</li> </ul>

**WHAT WE’VE ACCOMPLISHED**

- **Defeated** IRG’s original proposal for a fish-processing plant and cold-storage warehouse.
- **Gained support** of city, county and state leaders, and a significant partner in Forterra, the land conservation organization.
- **Helped secure “seed” money:**
  - \$1 million pledged by the city of Federal Way in 2016 toward purchase of the 54-acre North Lake shoreline.
  - \$1 million King County matching grant approved by the County Council in 2017.
  - \$750,000 in state funding for grant-writing & other acquisition-related work by Forterra, approved in 2018.
- **Led efforts for historic recognition:** Eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places, 2017 “Most Endangered” by the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation and “at risk” by The Cultural Landscape Foundation in Washington, D.C.
- **Built a** growing network that today includes hundreds of concerned stakeholders.

**WHAT WE’RE DOING NOW**

- **Going after grants:** Working with Forterra/the city as they apply for state and county grants for acquisition of the lakefront, including a \$4 million state urban habitat grant. We’ve pledged to help our partners raise matching money for a \$1 million 2019 King County Conservation Futures grant.
- **Engaging experts** in hydrology, wetlands, traffic, forestry & architecture to build a fact-based case for development limits.
- **Seeking \$50,000 in pledges** to pay for these professional assessments.
- **Awaiting word** on the status of our 501(c)(3) tax-exempt application.

## **Our Conservation Focus**

### ***The Lakeshore***

- Preserving 54 forested acres on North Lake, headwaters of the important East Hylebos Creek.
- Protecting 6,000 feet of shoreline, the longest undeveloped waterfront in South King County.

### ***Wetlands & Watershed***

- Ensuring intact wetlands, clean runoff and consistent water flows, which are key to the health of the North Lake/East Hylebos system.
- Preventing construction of storm water ponds on the lakefront.

### ***Forests, Meadows & Trails***

- Saving 4,000 endangered trees, necessary to the health of the North Lake/Hylebos watershed.
- Preserving forests and meadows that are home to diverse wildlife.
- Retaining 7 miles of easy-access trails, enjoyed by the public for nearly 50 years.

## **Our Vision for the Campus**

### ***Healthy Living***

- Trails connecting North Lake, the Rhododendron garden, the bonsai museum & downtown Federal Way
- Year-round access to the lake for paddling, kayaking
- Open-space serenity in our fast-growing urban region

### ***Nature's Classroom***

- A place where children and adults can study forest & riparian habitat
- Birding & wildlife viewing
- Interpretive signs for trail users
- Children's native plant garden
- Learning Center along North Lake

### ***Innovation, Low Impact***

- Buildings of premium design that mesh with the historic landscape
- Non-polluting businesses with minimal reliance on semi-trucks
- High-tech and other well-paying jobs to benefit our community

### **YOU CAN HELP SAVE THIS IRREPLACEABLE GREEN SPACE**

**Keep fighting** the warehouses proposed by owner/developer IRG. Send comments to Federal Way city planners.

**Encourage city, county and state officials** to continue supporting efforts to purchase the lakeshore property & preserve community access to the land.

**Help spread the word** by printing & distributing these flyers.

**Donate** to help pay our team of experts — land-use attorney, traffic engineer, architect and specialists in forestry, wetlands and hydrology — crucial for challenging the warehouse projects.

### **Connect with Us!**



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