

HABITAT ENHANCEMENT

THE PORT OF EVERETT IS COMMITTED TO PRESERVING, RESTORING AND ENHANCING WILDLIFE HABITAT.

JETTY ISLAND

Jetty Island is a man-made island composed of dredged river sediment. The Port gained ownership of the island in 1929, and built a new marsh on the west side of the island in 1989. Dredged river material has been continuously added to the island since the early 1900s. The island serves as a popular public access destination and environmental preserve for a variety of wildlife species including bald eagles, osprey, great blue herons, shorebirds and salmon species. The Port continues to implement habitat restoration efforts on the island.

JETTY ISLAND	
Acres of Habitat Enhancement	26 Acres
Tidal Marsh and Riparian Vegetation	Four acres of marsh/riparian vegetation
Presence of Juvenile Salmonoids	✓
Presence of Wildlife and Fish	✓
Native Plants	2,480 Plants

HABITAT MITIGATION

When the Port of Everett constructs projects in and around the shoreline zone, permitting conditions require habitat mitigation to offset the project impacts. Through its capital projects, the Port has enhanced 34.1 acres of habitat. The Port has earned two awards from the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) for its mitigation efforts.

Union Slough – 2001 AAPA Environmental Improvement Award

Edgewater Beach – 2007 AAPA Environmental Improvement Award

Mitigation Site	Habitat Enhancement	Restored Parcels	Tidal Marsh & Riparian Vegetation	Juvenile Salmonoids	Wildlife & Fish	Native Plants
Union Slough	30 Acres	23.9 Acres; Intertidal Creation	10 Acres; Brackish Marsh & Riparian Vegetation	✓	✓	2,340
Central Marina	0.80 Acres	0.80 Acres; Shoreline Riparian & Vegetation	0.64 Acres; Developing Riparian Vegetation	Not Documented	Not Documented	200
Edgewater Beach	2.2 Acres	2.2 Acres; Beach and Riparian Restoration	0.34 Acres; Developing Riparian Vegetation	✓	✓	Not Documented
Riverside Business Park	1.1 Acres	50 Feet; Riparian Buffer	0.64 Acres; Intertidal Creation	✓	✓	Not Documented
Blue Heron Slough	350 Acres	Restoration of 350 acres pending permit approval				