Friends of Whidbey State Parks

Adopt-A-Trail or Adopt-A-Park Area Volunteer

You can make a BIG difference for your local State Park!

Our local State Parks need Friends like you who can keep the trails cleared for hiking and biking and help park staff care for areas such as covered picnic shelters.

Adopt-A-Trail or Park Area Volunteers:

• Choose a trail or area in a nearby park to care for 1-2 times a month (or more often if needed)
• Prune vegetation, clear fallen branches, maintain trail tread, rake leaves, keep picnic areas clean...
• Remove invasive plants and pick up trash
• Wear a State Park volunteer name tag and vest, and act as a friendly Ambassador for the park
• Sign in before beginning work, to be covered by Washington State Parks L&I Insurance coverage
• Offer suggestions to improve park areas or visitor experiences
• May apply for a free Discover Pass after completing 24 hours of volunteer service over 12 months

Volunteers receive training from park staff. You'll learn about:

• What volunteers can do, tasks that require approval and work that needs to be done by park staff
• Safety, first aid, hazardous waste, park emergency procedures, regulations and policies
• Trail and Park Area maintenance and resources for learning more
• Using tools, power tools and equipment

Not a Friends member yet? Go to: https://www.friendsofwhidbeystateparks.org/join-donate

Process to become an Adopt-A-Trail or Park Area Volunteer

• Complete and submit 2 Washington State Parks forms:
  Volunteer Application for Individuals and Request for Criminal Disclosure & History form
  Go to the Friends website: https://www.friendsofwhidbeystateparks.org/volunteer-forms

• Deliver, email or mail completed State Park forms to Ft. Casey State Park:
  Deliver forms to the Fort Casey State Park Office (call for open hours: 360-678-4519). Put completed forms in an envelope, seal and write: For Sharon Young-Hale, Parks Program Specialist.
  Email scanned forms to: Sharon.Young-Hale@PARKS.WA.GOV
  Mail forms to: Sharon Young-Hale, Ft. Casey State Park, 1280 Engle Road, Building C, Coupeville, WA 98239-9805
  Sharon will send your information to park headquarters in Olympia.

Email: friendsofwhidbeystateparks@gmail.com to let us know you have submitted your forms.

Sharon will notify you and the Friends group when you are cleared to Adopt your Trail or Park Area.

The Friends group and park staff will help you get started!

Thank you for helping take care of our wonderful State Parks!

Friends of Whidbey State Parks email: friendsofwhidbeystateparks@gmail.com
Website: https://www.friendsofwhidbeystateparks.org/
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