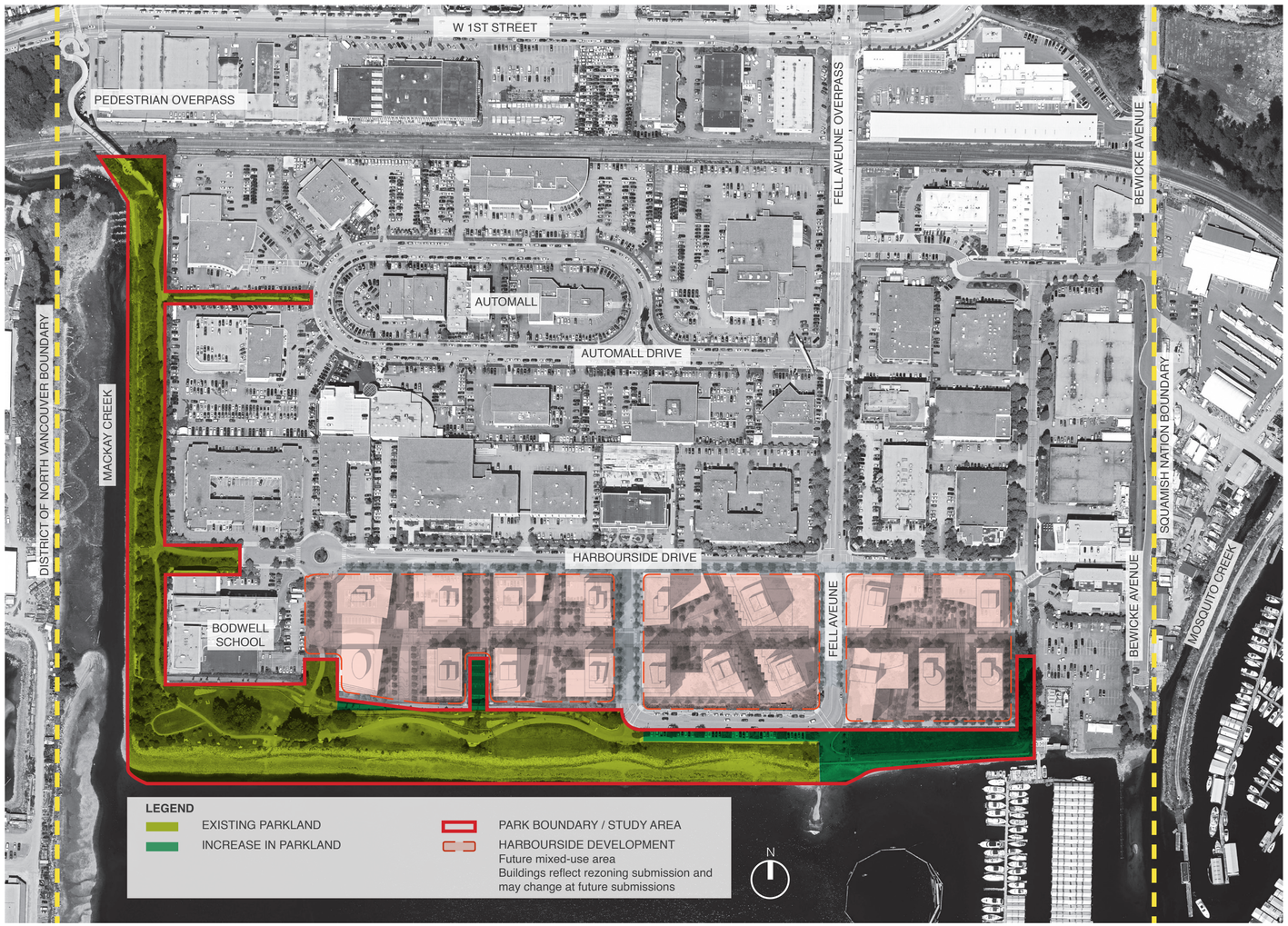
# Kings Mill Walk Park Master Plan

## Public Engagement July 2021




Kings Mill Walk Park Master Plan Study Area and Context Map

### *What's Happening*

- The City of North Vancouver is creating a new plan for Kings Mill Walk Park in response to a changing Harbourside neighbourhood.
- This spring, we reached out to the community with a draft design concept, vision, and guiding principles for the Kings Mill Walk Park Master Plan. We received input on the proposed design concept and learned what's important to you.
- After reviewing all the feedback, we've revised the proposed design concept to better meet the needs of our community.
- A community task force appointed by City Council have contributed to this plan. The City has also consulted with the Squamish Nation and stakeholders in the Harbourside neighbourhood.

### *We Welcome Your Feedback!*

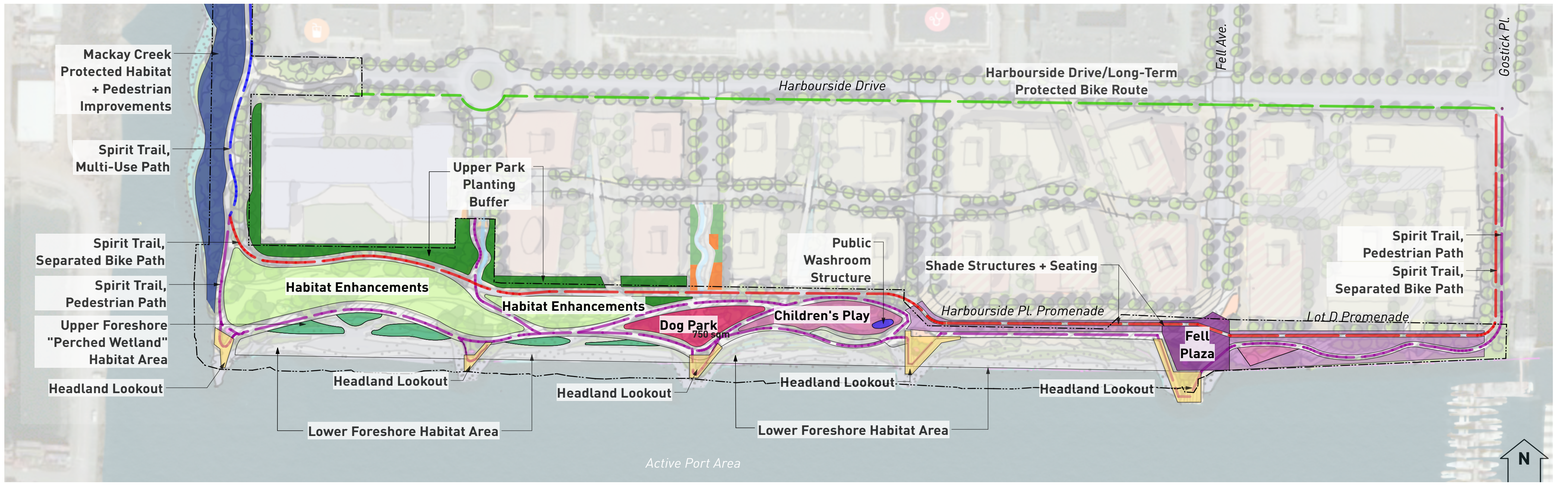
- Join the community discussion to share what you think about the revised plan.
- What new amenities would you like to see in KMW Park?

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# REVISED CONCEPT PLAN

## WHAT CHANGES HAVE WE MADE IN RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK?

### Draft Plan Presented in May 2021




**LEGEND**

- Park Boundary

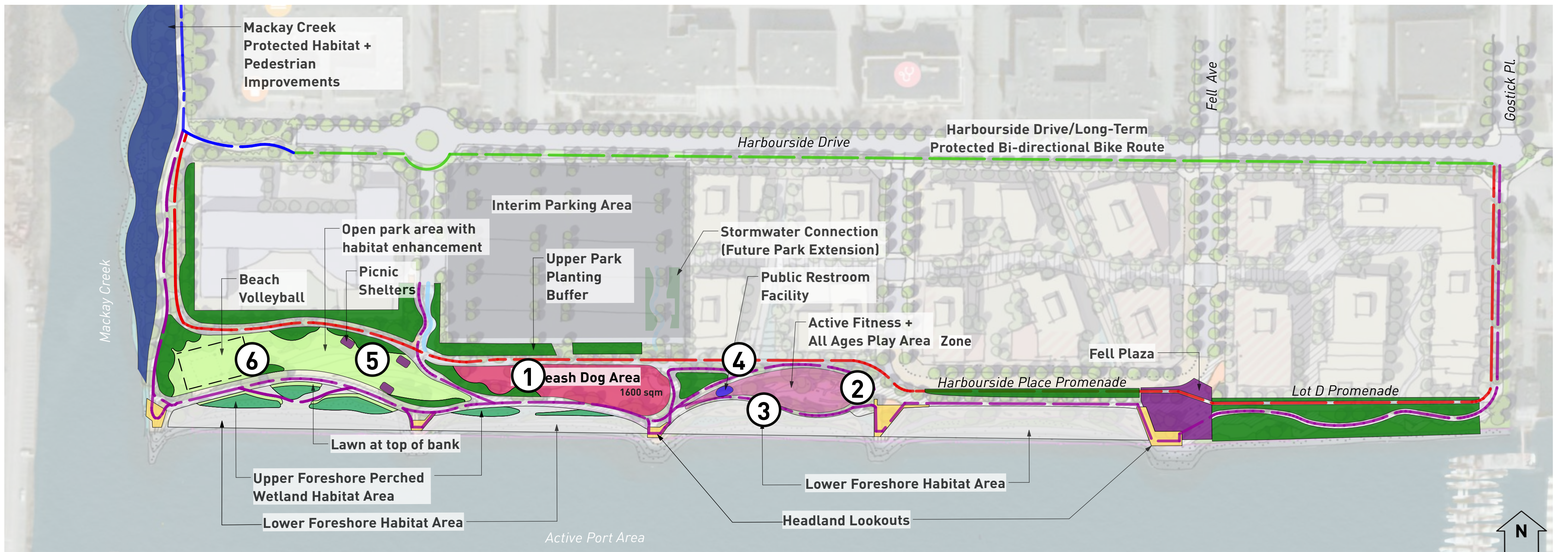
**Spirit Trail Path Types**

- Separated Bike Path
- Multi-Use Path
- 3+ m Pedestrian Only Paths

**Revisions to the Park Concept Plan**

1. More than doubled the off-leash dog area from 750 square metres to 1,600 square metres.
2. Updated "All Ages Play Zone" with parkour and adult fitness stations
3. Relocated washroom facilities to a central location between off-leash and play areas.
4. Planted buffer and more space between off-leash and play area
5. Added a lawn area and covered picnic shelters at the top of the bank.
6. Added a volleyball court

### Revised Concept Plan - July 2021 Public Engagement




**LEGEND**

- Park Boundary
- Stormwater Habitat Feature

**Habitat Character Areas**

- Naturalized Foreshore Habitat
- Lower Foreshore Habitat
- Upper Foreshore "Perched Wetland" Habitat Area
- Passive Park Programming/ Habitat Enhancements
- Upper "Urban Park" Planting

**Spirit Trail Path Types**

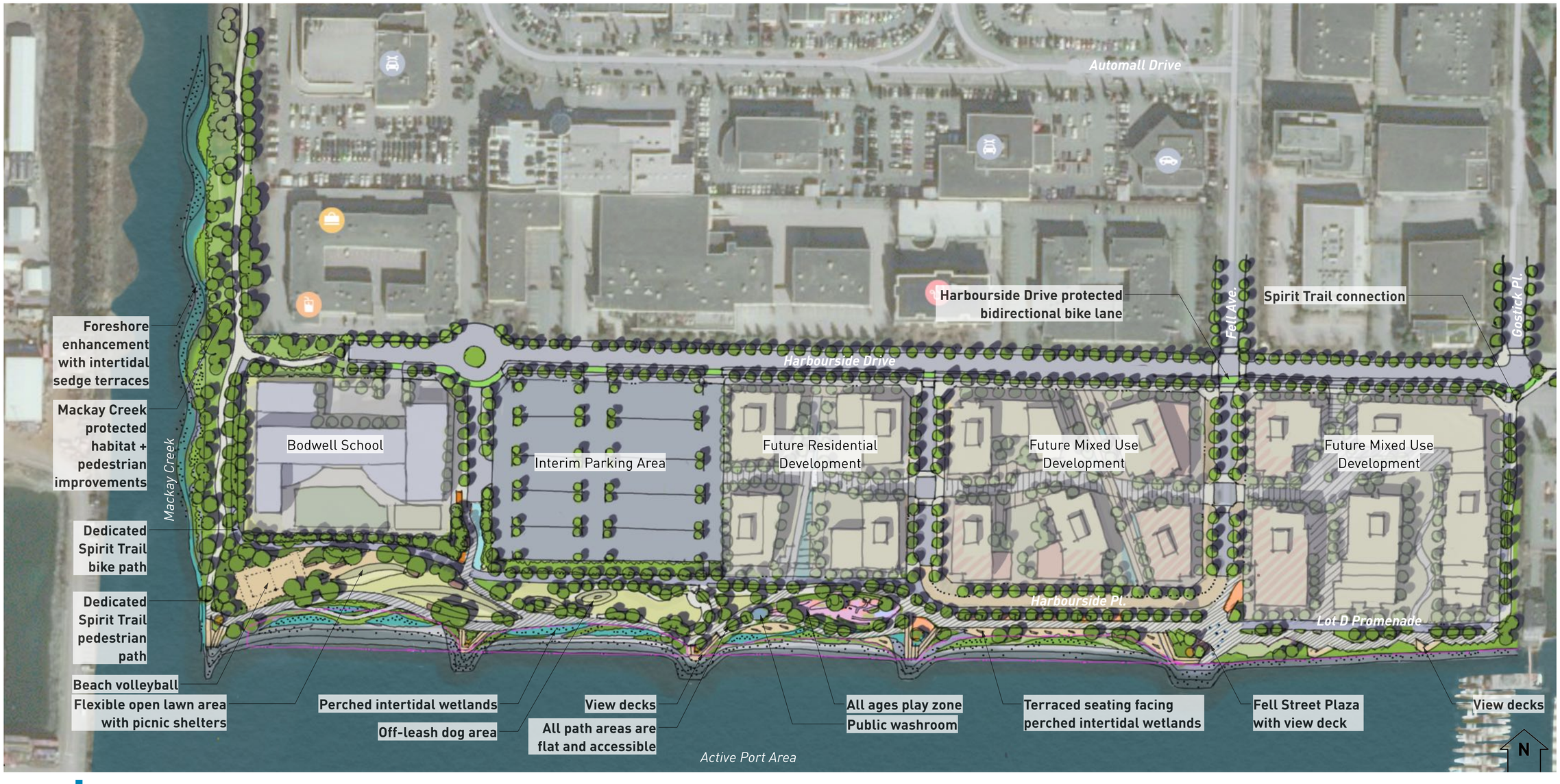
- Harbourside Drive Roadside Bidirectional Bike Lane
- Spirit Trail - Separated Bike Path
- Multi-Use Path
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**We want to know what you think of the revised plan. Please visit our Let's Talk page to join in the community discussion and share your ideas!**

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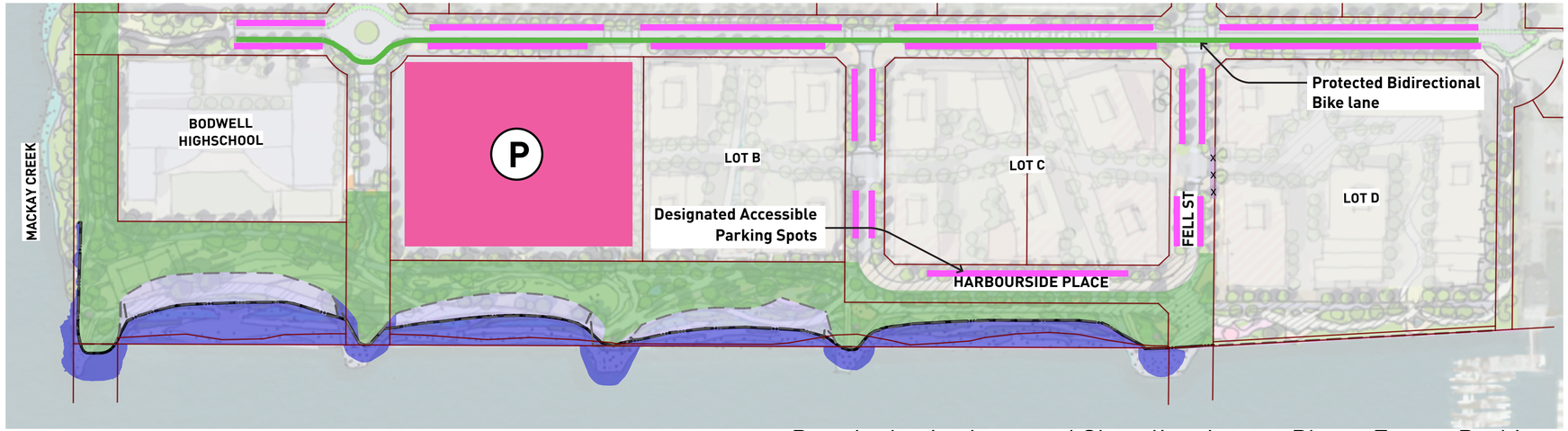
# OVERALL PLAN

## KINGS MILL WALK PARK REVISED CONCEPT PLAN



# CHANGES TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

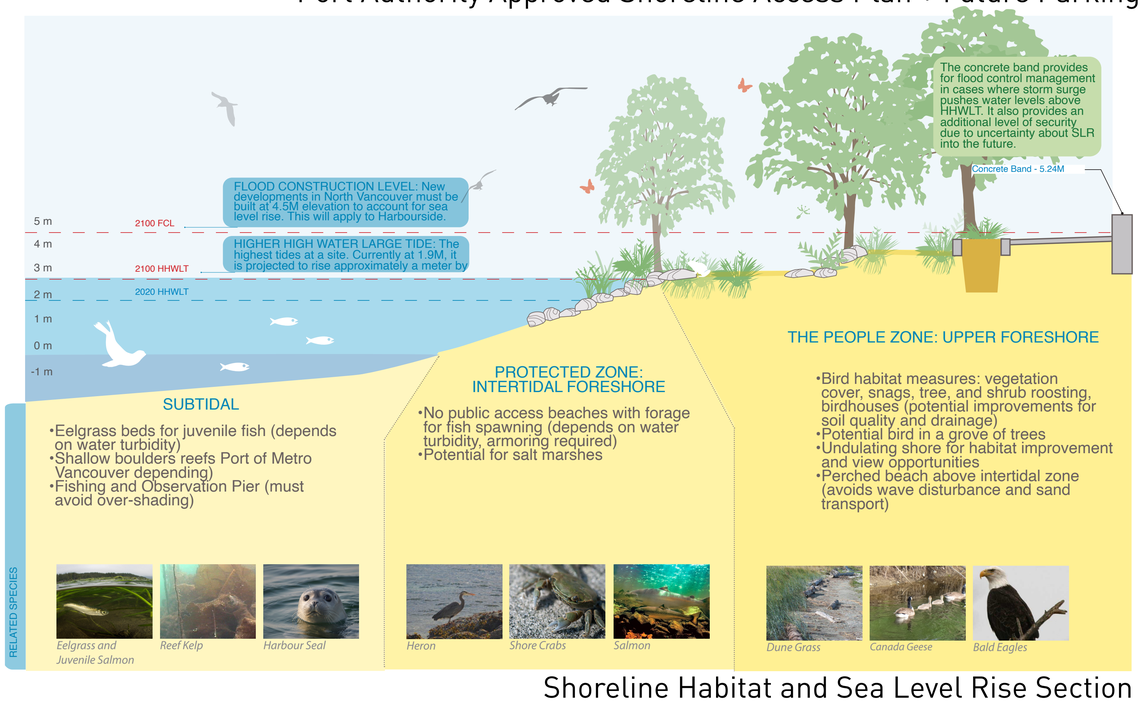
## SOME OF THE QUESTIONS WE HEARD DURING THE SPRING ENGAGEMENT SESSION




Port Authority Approved Shoreline Access Plan + Future Parking

**LEGEND**

- Property Line
- Public Access Boundary
- Park Area: Public Access
- People Zone - Upper Foreshore: Reduced Public Access for low impact activities such as bird watching, nature viewing from clearly defined paths and viewing nodes
- Protected Zone - Rocky Headlands + Intertidal Foreshore: No Public Access, sensitive habitat areas
- Interim Parking Lot ( Approximately 10 yrs)
- Street parking will change during construction. Visit www.cnv.org for more information.




Shoreline Habitat and Sea Level Rise Section

### 1. Why does Kings Mill Walk Park need to change?

A four phased mixed-use development has been approved for this area. This will increase the number of people living and working in the Harbourside Neighbourhod. The level of the park must be raised to meet flood construction levels in response to climate change.

### 2. What's happening to the parking?

Parking will be continue to be available on Harbourside Place. There will also be underground parking available in the new developments. During construction, an interim parking area will be available for approximately 10 years.

### 3. Why can't we have access to the shoreline?

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority manages the water directly in front of the park. This area is a working harbour and sensitive marine habitat. It is not intended for public access (Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Land Use Plan 2020). Access to the water and shoreline are changing for flood protection purposes and to enhance marine habitat for fish and other wildlife.

### 4. Why should we improve habitat here?

The majority of the inner Vancouver harbour shoreline has been developed for port, industrial, or commercial uses (including the original land infill at what is now Kings Mill Walk Park), and as a result marine biodiversity has been significantly degraded. Because Kings Mill Walk Park is located between the estuarine outflows of two of the region's few remaining salmon bearing streams, it represents a rare opportunity to restore marine biodiversity along a portion of the shoreline, while also supporting healthy and resilient ecosystems in Mackay and Mosquito Creek. These improvements will help to protect the salmon and our environment.

# SHORELINE AND PARKLAND HABITAT

## WHAT WILL ACCESS TO HABITAT AND THE SHORELINE LOOK LIKE?



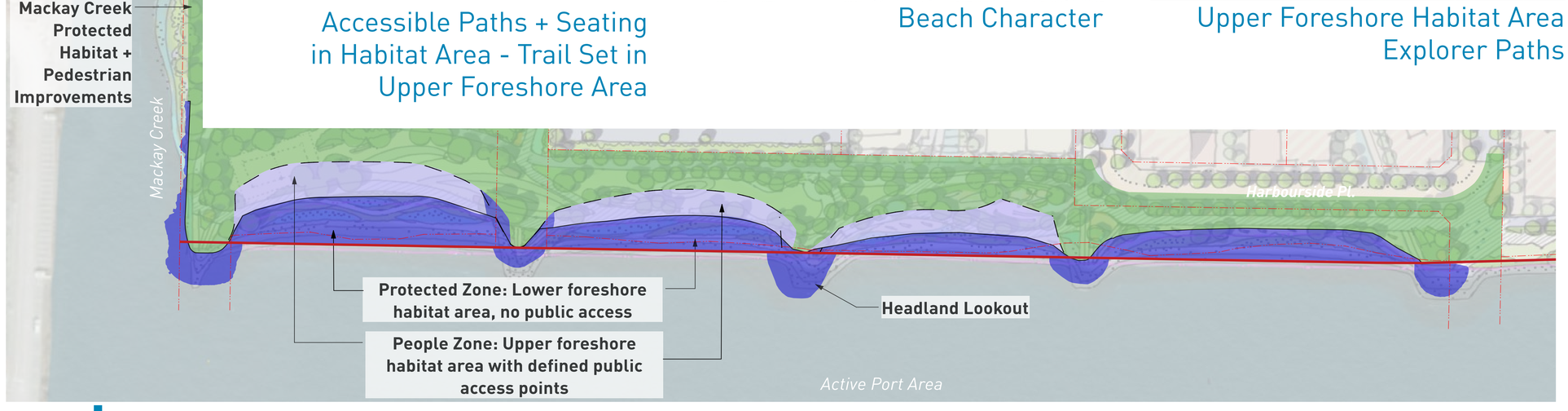
Accessible Paths + Seating in Habitat Area - Trail Set in Upper Foreshore Area



Beach Character



Upper Foreshore Habitat Area Explorer Paths




### WHAT WE HEARD:

- Balance habitat enhancement areas with other park activities (walking opportunities, passive open space, places to sit, picnic).
- Maximize usable park space for the existing park users and the new residents that will be moving into this area.
- Enhance access to the water.

### HOW WE'RE RESPONDING:

- Creating clearly defined habitat protected zones, habitat access points, and people zones.
- Providing compatible park activities adjacent to the most valuable habitat areas.
- Ensuring new plants and trees will be added to provide shelter and food for birds and animals.
- The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority manages the water directly in front of the park, which is not intended for public access.

### LEGEND

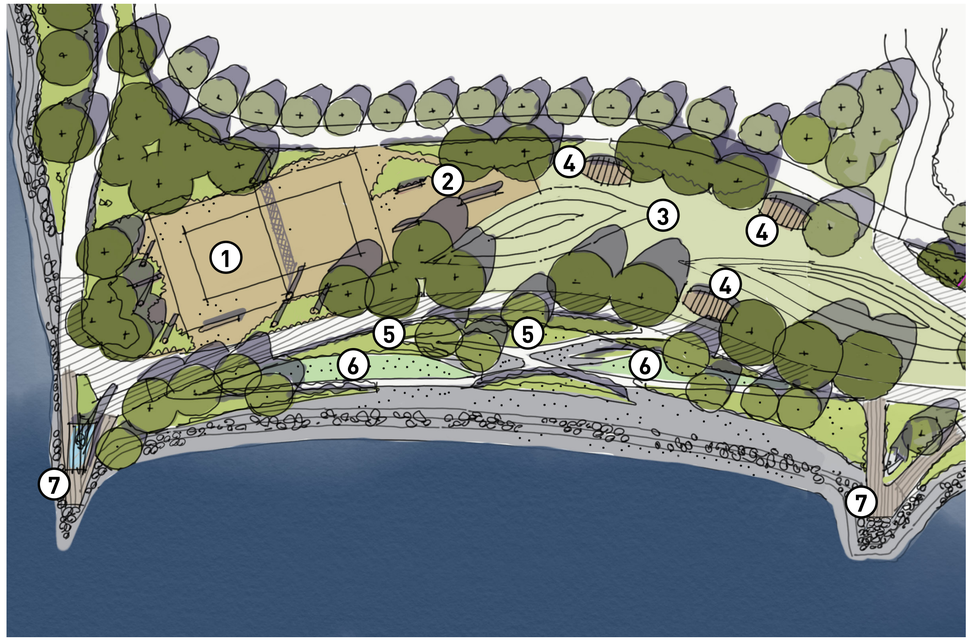
- Property Line
- Naturalized, Publicly Accessible Upper Foreshore Boundary
- Restricted Public Access Lower Foreshore Boundary
- **Park Area:** Public Access
- **People Zone** - Naturalized, publicly accessible foreshore: public access for low impact activities such as bird watching, nature viewing from clearly defined paths and viewing nodes
- **Protected Zone** - Restricted public access: rocky headlands + intertidal foreshore sensitive areas

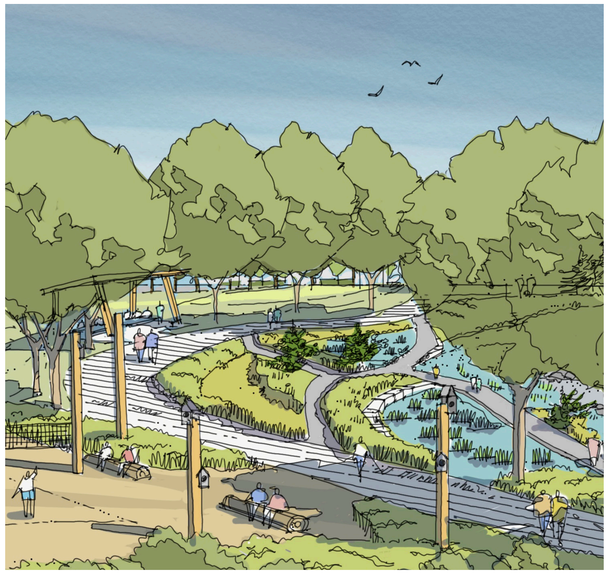
# PARK ACTIVITIES & FACILITIES

## WHAT WILL THE OPEN PARK AREA LOOK LIKE?

**Legend**

1. Beach Volleyball
2. Urban Beach
3. Open Lawn with Low Berms
4. Picnic Shelters + Covered Seating Areas
5. Lawn at Top of Bank
6. Perched Intertidal Wetlands
7. Headland Lookout

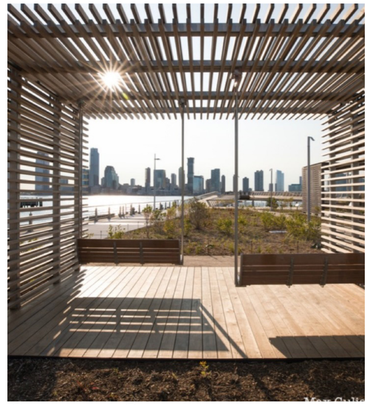


Aerial View of Perched Intertidal Wetlands & Spirit Trail Pedestrian Path



Park Picnic Shelters



Covered Seating Areas



On-Leash Promenade



Open lawn with low rolling hills



Volleyball

### WHAT WE HEARD:

- People enjoy parking along Harbourside Place.
- Concern for the removal of the volleyball courts.
- Space is needed for benches, picnic tables and lawn.
- Too many activities included into this plan and flexible open space is important.

### HOW WE'RE RESPONDING:

- Integrating one volleyball court into the west side of the park.
- Adding covered areas with seating and park picnic shelters.
- More passive space - Creating lawn areas at the top of the bank
- Providing a temporary parking lot near the proposed off-leash dog area. In the future, parking for park visitors will be available along Harbourside Place and underground within the Harbourside Development.

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# PARK ACTIVITIES & FACILITIES

## WHAT WILL THE OFF-LEASH DOG AREA LOOK LIKE?

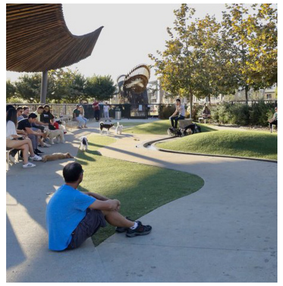
**Legend**

1. Quiet Dog Area
2. Water Play
3. Seating and Shelter
4. Synthetic Turf Run
5. Agility Area
6. Seating Node
7. Perimeter Fence
8. Off-Leash Looping Paved Walking Path
9. Perimeter Habitat Zone






Aerial View of Off-Leash Dog Area and Viewing Deck



Looping Accessible Paths



Seating + Shade

### WHAT WE HEARD:

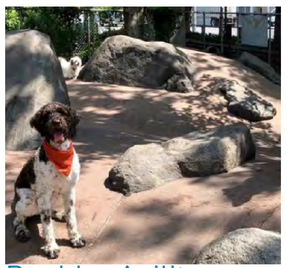
- The proposed off-leash area is too small.
- We like that the existing dog area has accessible paths, fencing, seating, and access to water.
- Incorporate nature into the off-leash dog area.
- Find replacement or additional off-leash areas in other locations in the City.

### HOW WE'RE RESPONDING:

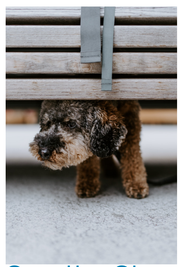
- Increasing the size of the dog area with separated fully fenced spaces for a quiet area and a more active space, to improve safety.
- Providing amenities to improve the experience and enjoyment of the off-leash area.
- Providing accessible paved walking paths.
- Adding more trees and buffers to create a natural feeling space.
- Commencing a City of North Vancouver Dog Strategy later this year.



Digging Area



Boulder Agility Elements



Small + Shy Dog Area



Lighting



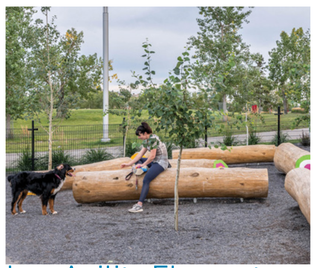
Water Station



Water Play Features



Dog Run + Fetch Space



Log Agility Elements

**What type of amenities do you want to see in the Off-Leash Area?**

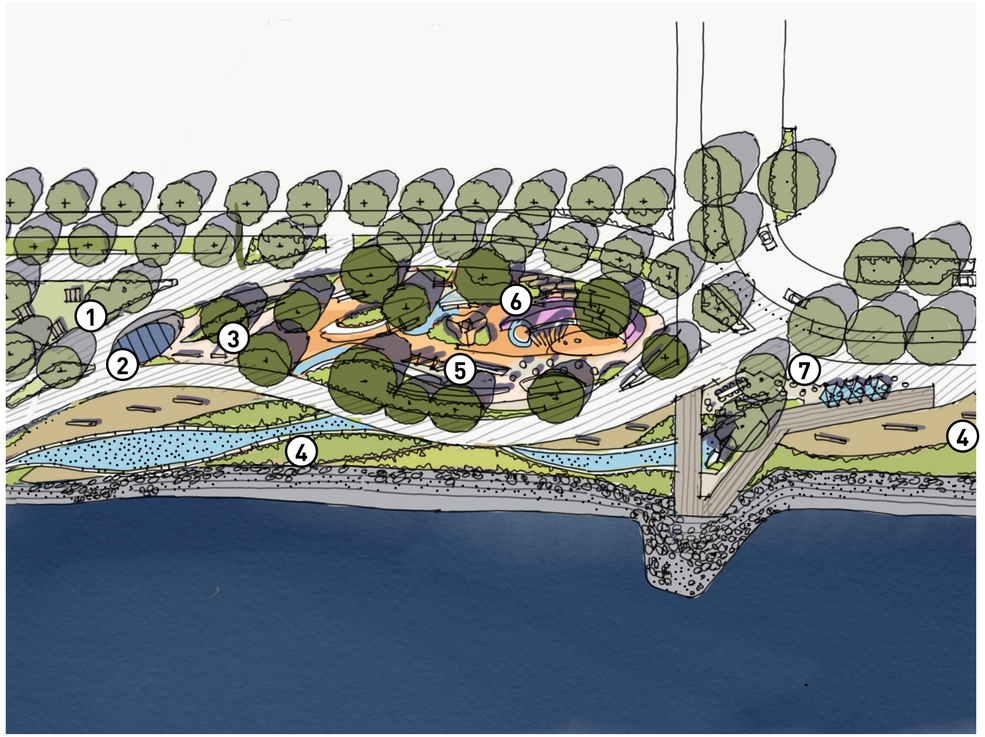
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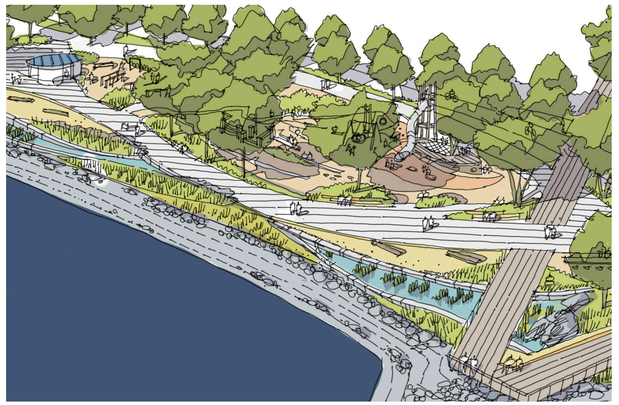
# PARK ACTIVITIES & FACILITIES - ALL AGES PLAY

## WHAT WILL THE ALL AGES PLAY ZONE LOOK LIKE?

**Legend**

1. Picnic Area
2. Accessible Washroom
3. Fitness Stations
4. Perched Beach
5. Parkour
6. Children's Playground
7. Outdoor Gathering



Aerial View of All Ages Play Zone




Accessible Washroom Facility

### WHAT WE HEARD:

- Create more space dedicated to active use, including for adults.
- Separate the children's play area from the off-leash dog area.
- Washrooms are essential and should be accessible.
- Integrate nature into the plaza area.

### HOW WE'RE RESPONDING:

- Increasing the buffer between the children's play area and the off-leash dog area by using plants, pathways and the washroom building.
- Relocating the accessible washroom to a central location between the play and off-leash dog areas.
- Adding fitness equipment and parkour to create an "All Ages Play Zone."



Parkour



Fitness Stations



Nature Play



Water Play



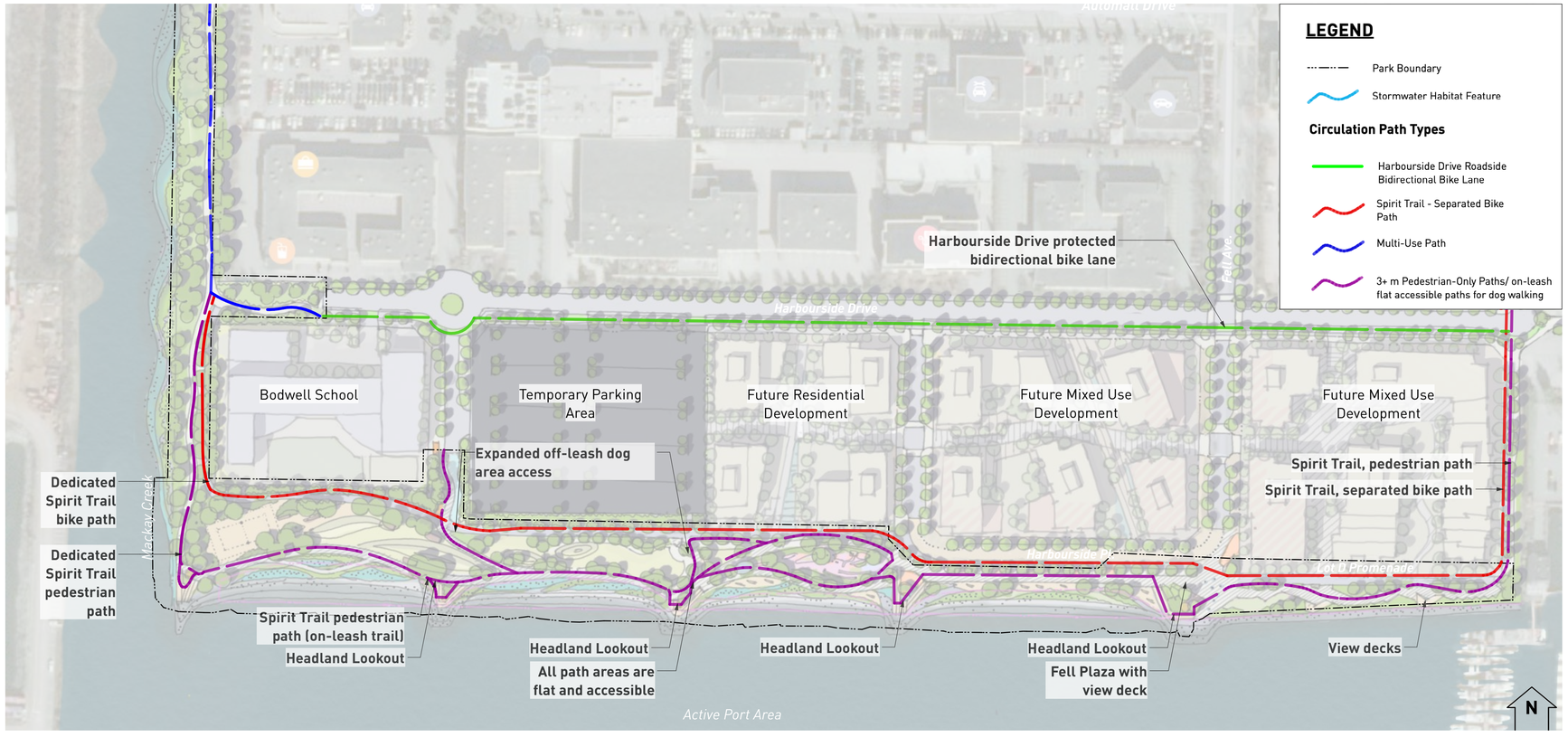
Adventure Play

**What type of amenities do you want to see in the All Ages Play Zone?**

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# TRAILS & MOVEMENT DIAGRAM

## WHAT WILL BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENT LOOK LIKE THROUGH THE PARK?




### WHAT WE HEARD:

- Keep trails inclusive and accessible.
- Existing trails and paths are congested.
- Support for separating cyclists from pedestrians for safety.

### HOW WE'RE RESPONDING:

- Ensuring all trails and pathways are accessible.
- Implementing speed control and wayfinding measures on East and West ends of the site to reduce conflict and congestion on the Spirit Trail.
- Permitting on-leash dogs throughout the park. This includes the accessible pathways and lawn areas.
- Creating a separated bike lane on Harbourside Drive.
- Separating cyclists from pedestrians on all pathways along the busy shoreline.



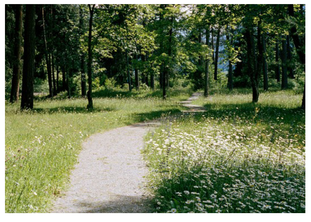
Dedicated Spirit Trail bike path, asphalt, 3m wide



Harbourside Drive Bi-Directional Bike Lane, asphalt, 2m wide standard bike lane



Lower Park Waterfront Promenade example, 2-3m wide, concrete



Habitat Area Trails, 1.5m, accessible compacted gravel

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# PROJECT TIMELINE

## WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

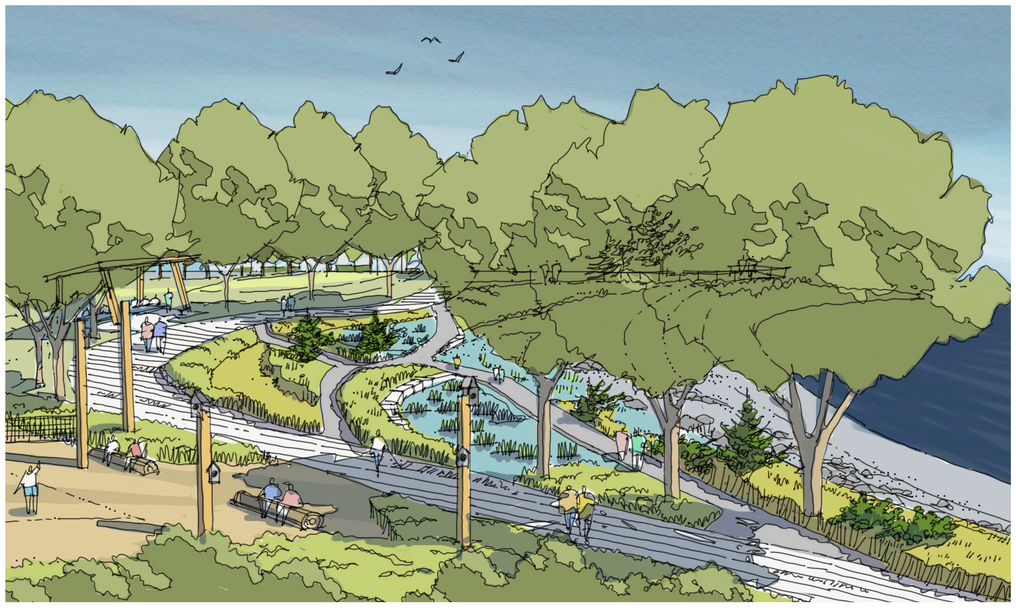
**Now To July 30th** — **PUBLIC FEEDBACK COLLECTION**

**Fall 2021** — **REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL WITH FINAL PLAN**

**Winter 2021** — **DETAILED DESIGN**

**Fall/ Winter 2022** — **PARK CONSTRUCTION BEGINS** (NO PUBLIC ACCESS DURING CONSTRUCTION)

**PARK COMPLETION 2024** Pending Approvals and Coordination



**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

**Please visit the project website at cnv.org/kingsmill to provide us with feedback or ask questions!**

**The online survey and discussion will be available until July 30, 2021.**

**Your input is valuable to us, and your thoughts will help to shape the Park Master Plan that will be presented to City Council in the Fall.**

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