

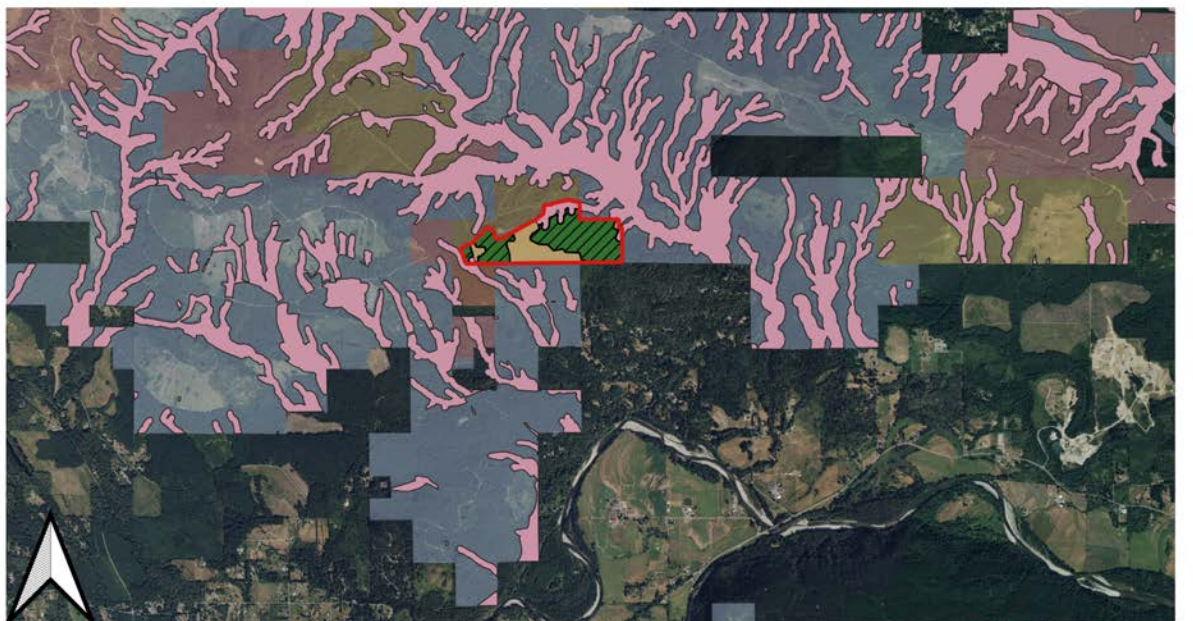
Grant Creek Parcel

92 acres of structurally mature forest

Trust beneficiary: Agricultural School (WSU)

Grant Creek starts on steep hillsides just north of a residential neighborhood and flows southwest into the North Fork of the Stillaguamish River near the town of Cicero. This proposal would protect 92 acres of those steep hillsides directly above the neighborhood, protecting family homes from potential erosion risks. Well-used trails run through this area, connected to private roads in the neighborhood. The structurally mature area is a ridgeline of mostly mature cedars and hemlocks, including residual old-growth Western Red Cedars between 72" and 119" in diameter. The trees in this area are modeled by DNR to be between 73 and 111 years old, but many of the cedars and hemlocks are likely much older. Since this parcel is nearly 100 acres, it provides a significant stand of mature forest to the landscape that has largely disappeared except in riparian areas. We have surveyed all of the structurally mature acreage in this parcel, and found a complex canopy and healthy understory throughout the whole area.

In 2023 the Stillaguamish Tribe received over \$1 million in grants from the state Salmon Recovery Funding Board and the Puget Sound Partnership to facilitate recovery of salmon populations by improving the Trafton floodplain along the North Fork Stillaguamish River. The Tribe plans to begin construction of the Trafton project in 2025. This proposal would support their efforts by minimizing erosion into Grant Creek and its tributaries and ensuring a steady flow of water.



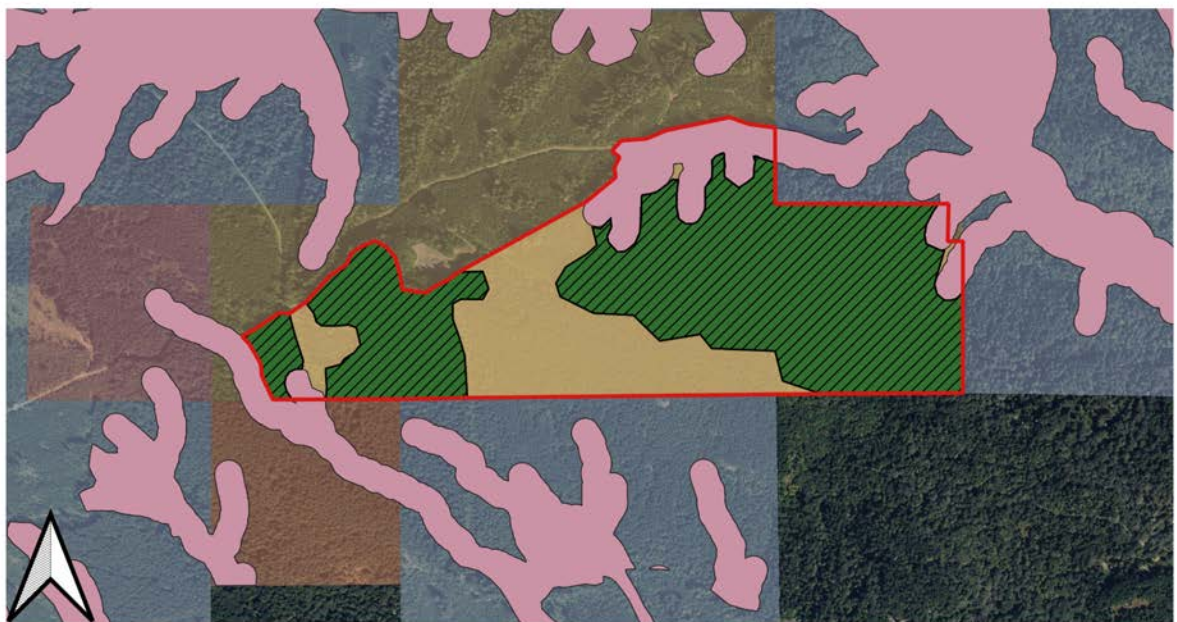
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Snohomish County
Grant Creek
Proposed Forest Transfer

- Proposed Sites
- Grant Creek Proposed Boundary
- Structural Maturity (92 acres)
- Riparian Management Zone

- Trust Beneficiaries
- Agricultural School (WSU)
 - Capitol Grant
 - Common School and Indemnity
 - Scientific School (WSU)
 - State Forest Board Purchase
 - State Forest Board Transfer



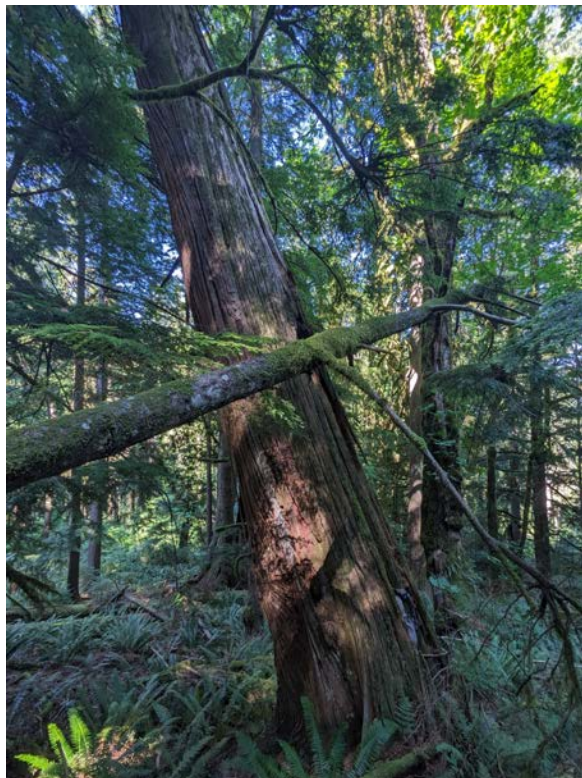
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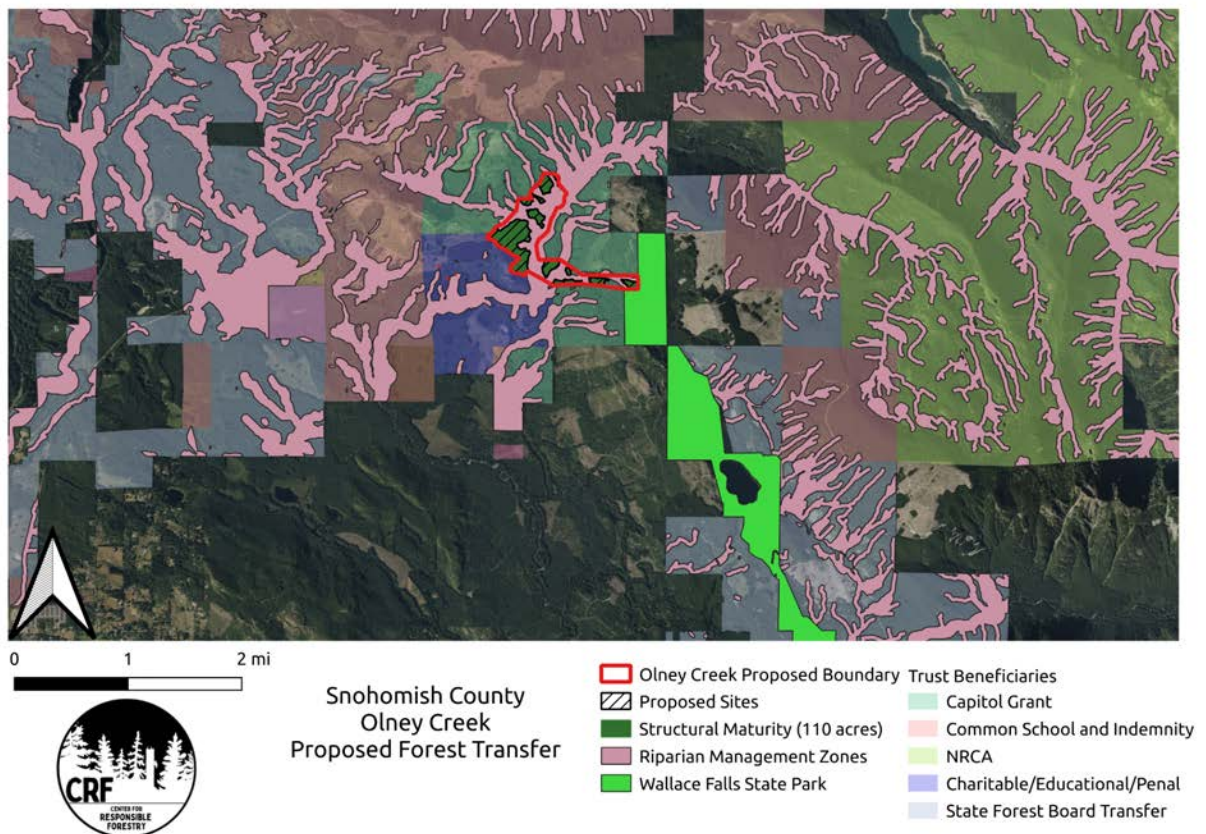
Olney Creek Parcel

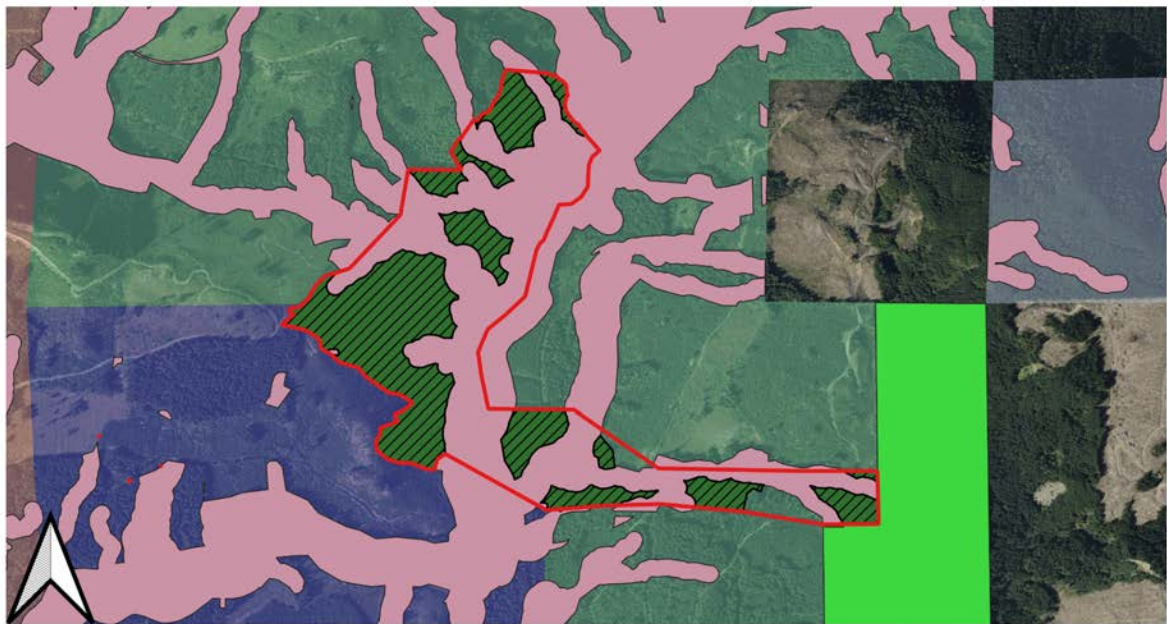
110 acres of structurally mature forest

Trust beneficiaries: Capitol Grant, Charitable/Educational/Penal institutions

Olney Creek originates from the northwestern slopes of Mt. Stickney, and is partially fed by Lake Stickney. It meanders north, west and south for many miles before finally flowing into the Wallace River just west of the town of Gold Bar. This proposal protects valuable mature forest along Olney creek. The proposed parcel is two miles from the Morning Star Natural Resources Conservation Area, comprising 37,842 acres of protected State land. It borders the northern section of Wallace Falls State Park, a 1,380 acre popular hiking area featuring three waterfalls. This parcel would expand the mature forest riparian corridor between Olney Creek and Wallace Falls State Park, providing connectivity to an important conservation and recreation area for Snohomish County.

We believe this parcel will make a worthy addition to the existing conserved land because of the structural complexity of the forest. Every mature stand in this parcel that we surveyed has a complex canopy and healthy forest floor. The western portion of this parcel has many trees seemingly over 100 years old, with plenty of Douglas firs and Western Hemlocks 40-50" in diameter, and some even larger. We found Douglas firs over 72," and there are plenty of trees that appear to be remnant old-growth.





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Snohomish County Olney Creek Proposed Forest Transfer

- Olney Creek Proposed Boundary
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- Wallace Falls State Park
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