

Talking Points for Trail Stewards – Bayshore Preserve Construction (July–October 2025)

1. What’s going on?

“Capitol Land Trust is making some exciting improvements to the preserve — including safer parking, an outdoor classroom, and more accessible trails — all to help more people enjoy this special place.”

2. Is the preserve closing?

“Nope! Bayshore is staying open during construction, but you might notice some temporary changes to parking, restrooms, or trail access. Signs and maps are posted to help you find your way.”

3. Where can I park?

“The main lot is closed, but you can park nearby at the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife’s Oakland Bay Recreation site just up the road (north, take a right onto Highway 3). A Discover Pass is required there.”

4. What are the improvements for?

“These upgrades are all about making Bayshore safer and more welcoming — especially for families, school groups, and people using wheelchairs or strollers.”

5. How long will the construction last?

“The current construction window is early July through October, weather dependent.”

5. Why now?

“Since CLT protected this place in 2014, we’ve done a lot of habitat restoration. This is the next step — investing in visitor access so more people can connect with nature here.”

6. What should I expect on the trails?

“Some trails may be rerouted or temporarily closed, and you might hear or see construction nearby. But there are still plenty of peaceful spots to enjoy!”

7. Where else can I visit?

“If you’re looking to explore more, check out Randall Preserve, Hilburn Preserve, or Darlin Creek. They’re great options while Bayshore gets its upgrades. You can find out more at Capitol Land Trust’s website, CapitolLandTrust.org.”

8. Where can I learn more and get updates?

“You can find the latest construction updates and info on Capitol Land Trust’s website, CapitolLandTrust.org.”