

SNOHOMISH COUNTY OFF-LEASH AREAS

Unincorporated Area
(Snohomish County Parks And Recreation Department)

JANUARY 2009 UPDATE

WILLIS TUCKER PARK

Grand Opening Willis Tucker Off Leash Dog Area Held Nov 1, 2008

Snohomish County Parks opened a 4.5-acre fully fenced off leash dog area Nov 1, 2008 at Willis Tucker Park. The opening was celebrated by holding a canine costume contest where gift bags were handed out to all participants and special prizes were awarded to Most Loyal, Proudest Pup, Most Creative Costume, Best Tail Wagger, Dog that Traveled the Farthest, and a Senior Citizen Award. Following the contest, 150+ canines and their companions ran, fetched, sniffed to their hearts content.



“Sonny and Cher” Winners of the “Most Earthy Award”

[MORE COSTUME CONTEST PHOTOS](#) (pdf file)

[NEW OFF-LEASH AREA PHOTOS](#) (pdf file)

Shy Dog Area projected opening January 16, 2009

Forested Trail Areas projected opening February 1, 2009

A 1/2 –acre fully fenced off leash area will soon be open across from 4.5 acres area, barring no unforeseen problems. This area will provide timid or shy dogs a place to passively hang out or run and play at their own pace without being hindered by the behavior of more exuberant, active, boisterous dogs. The forested trail off leash area, open to all dogs offers Max and Heidi an alternative to the vast open areas leading them through woods with plenty of sights and smells as he leads you through the trails.

Parking and Water Improvements Pending

Design for a parking lot that will provide closer access to the off-leash areas is underway with construction of a portion of the project scheduled for Summer 2009. See the map for location. Water is also scheduled to be brought to the off-leash areas Summer 2009 as well. A faucet will provide potable water for humans and canines but remember to bring your own collapsible or other dog-friendly watering pot. Sharing of bowls is highly discourage and contributes to illnesses in dogs. Please do not leave bowls in the park.

Temporary (old) Off-Leash Dog Area at Willis Tucker

The existing off-leash area “the mound” is currently scheduled to remain open until construction begins on the access road and parking facility that will serve the new off-leash areas in effort to provide an area for those individuals or canines that are unable to access the new areas until the new parking area is constructed and to provide an area that provides closer access during the shorter days.

[Map And Driving Directions](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

Contact Sno-DOG at volunteers@sno-dog.org or visit their website at www.sno-dog.org for information on how you can support this and other off-leash areas in the county.