

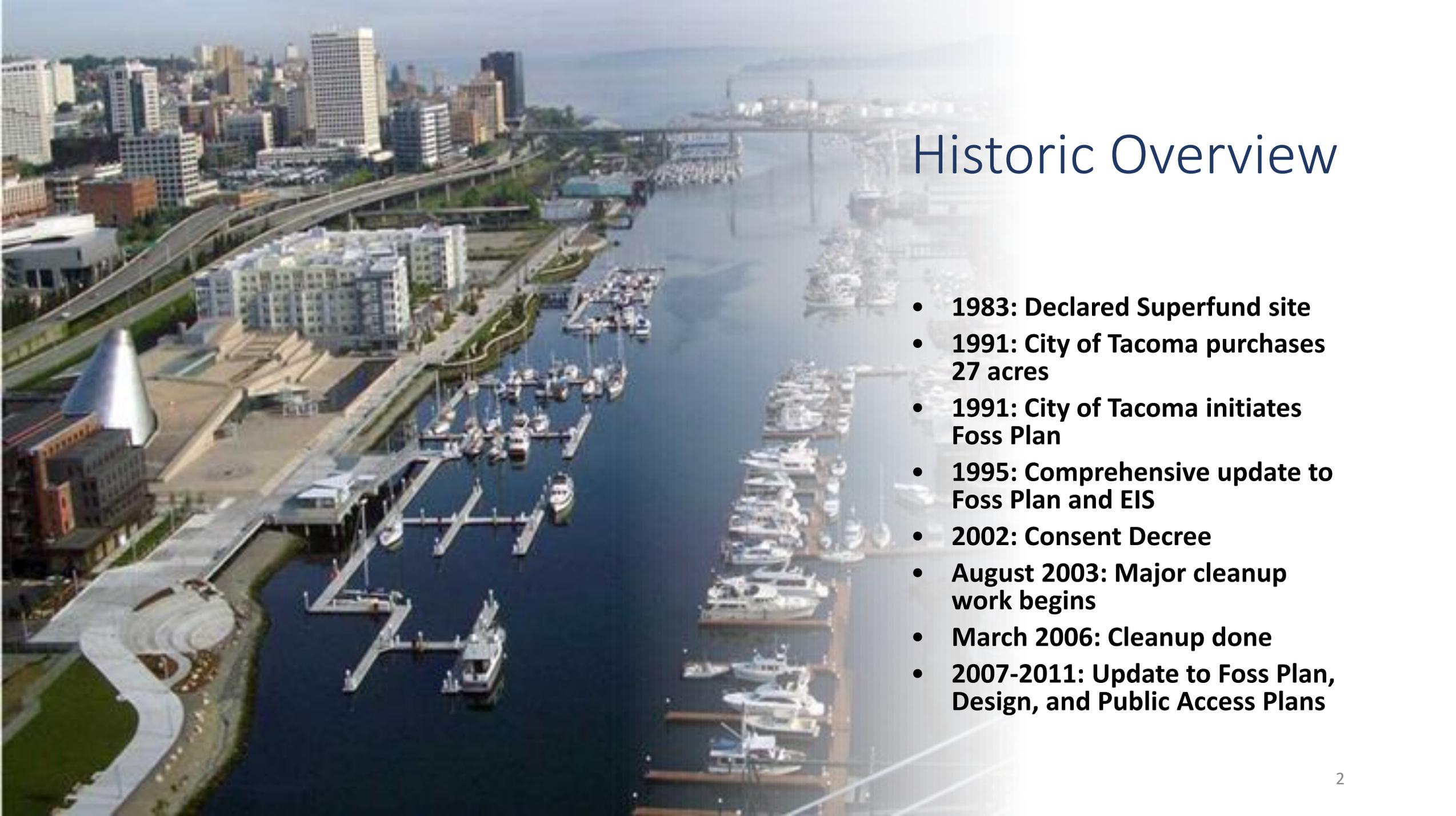


Foss Waterway Update:

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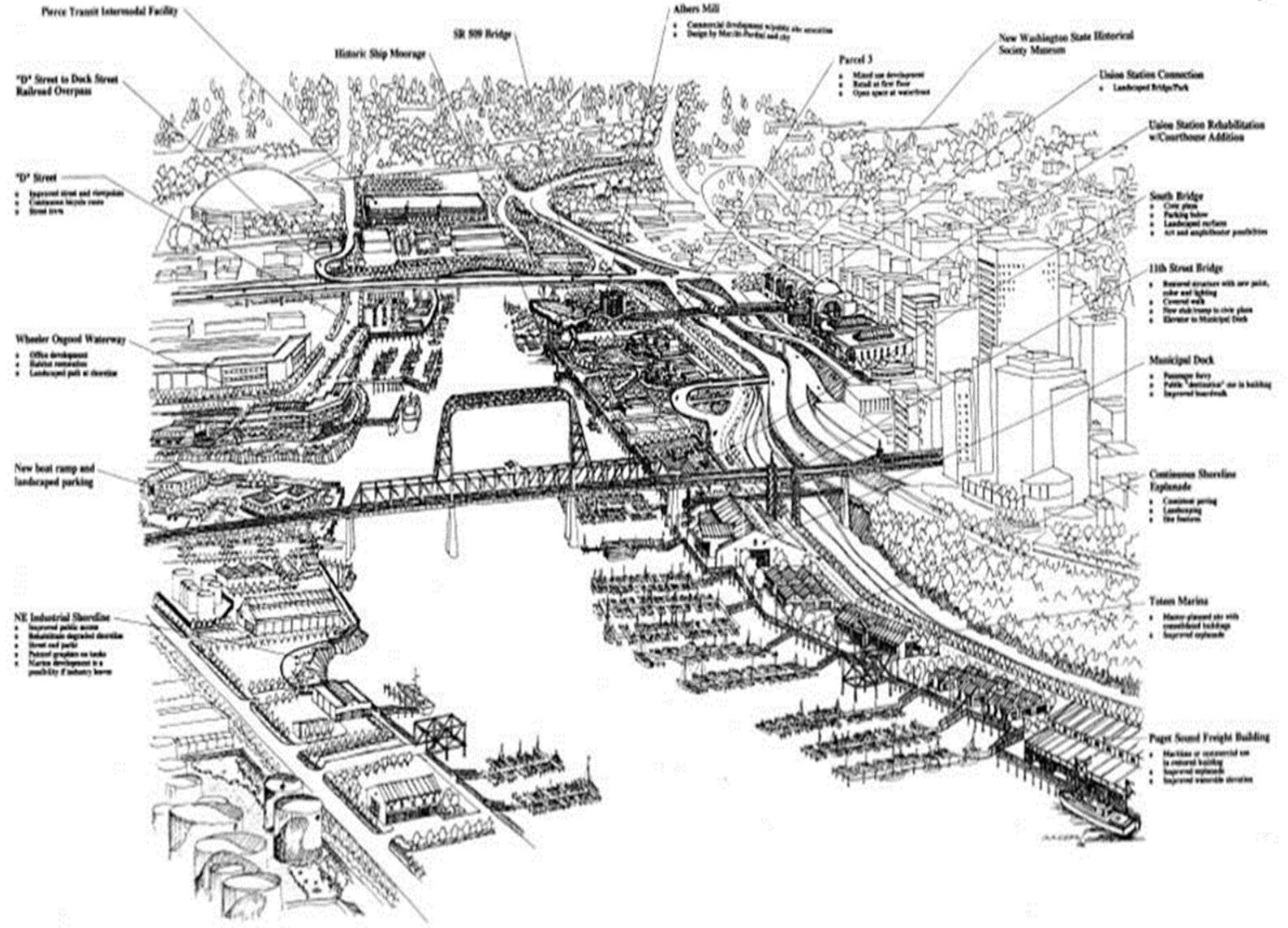




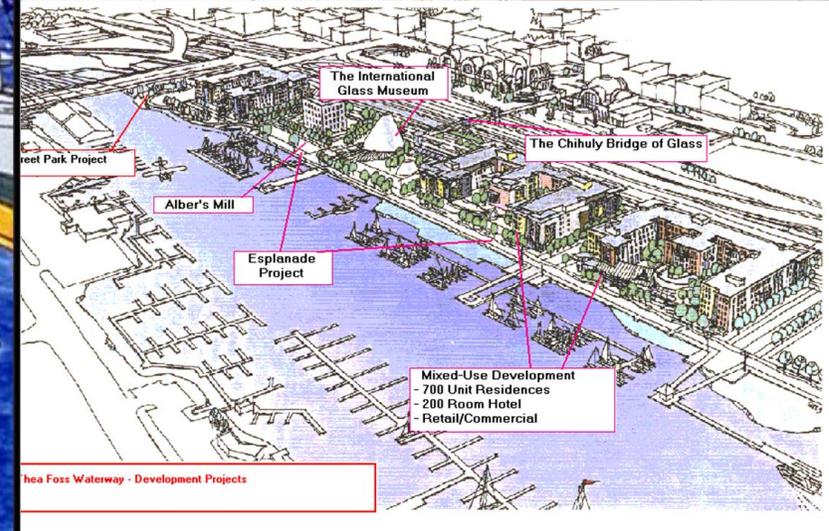
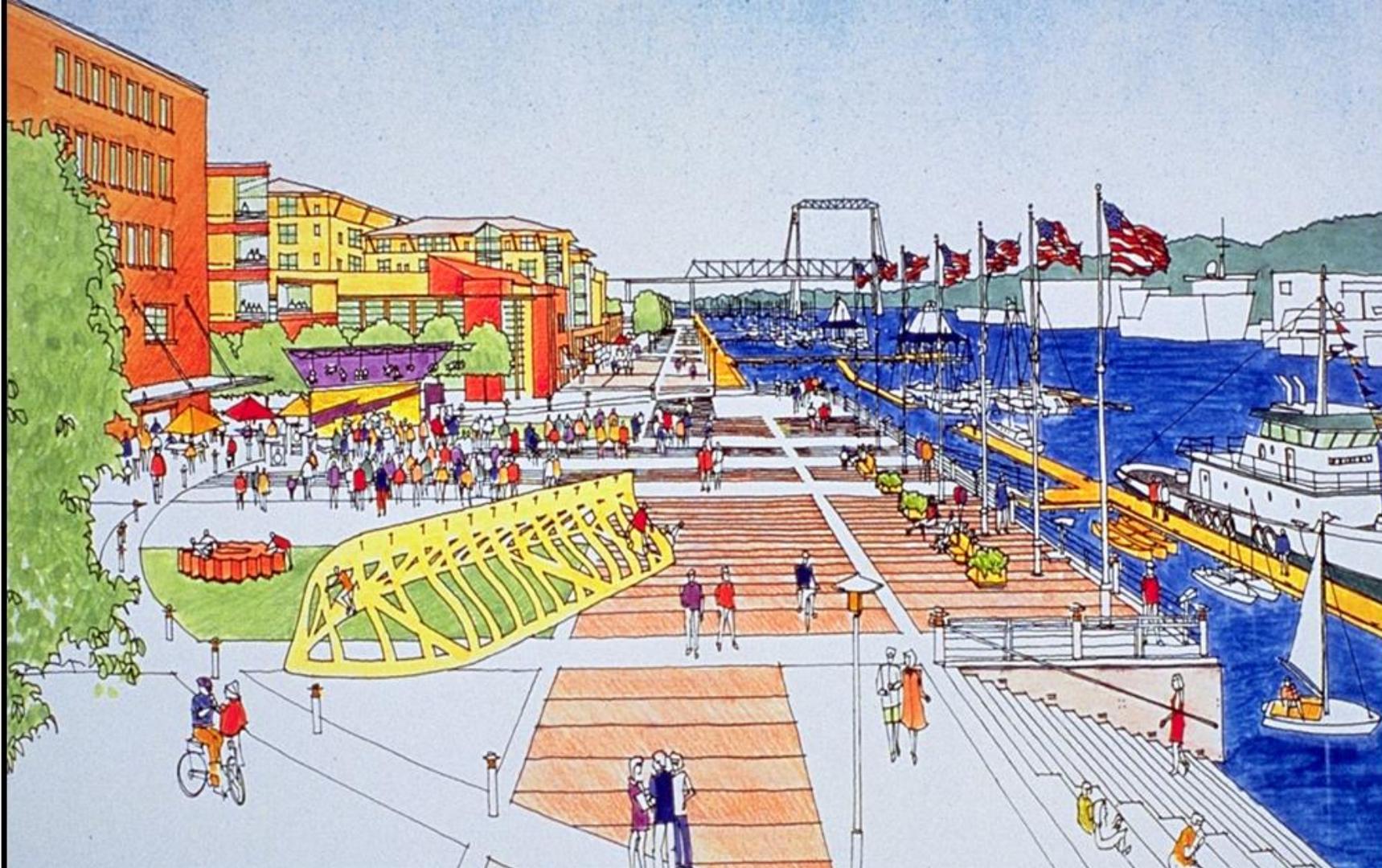
Historic Overview

- **1983: Declared Superfund site**
- **1991: City of Tacoma purchases 27 acres**
- **1991: City of Tacoma initiates Foss Plan**
- **1995: Comprehensive update to Foss Plan and EIS**
- **2002: Consent Decree**
- **August 2003: Major cleanup work begins**
- **March 2006: Cleanup done**
- **2007-2011: Update to Foss Plan, Design, and Public Access Plans**

Foss Waterway Vision



Thea Foss Waterway • A Vision for the Future
City of Tacoma



Foss Waterway Redevelopment Plan



Foss Waterway ABC's

- ACCESS
- BOATING
- CHARACTER



Potential Projects		Legend
1	21st St Park - Non-motorized public boat launch & park	Existing open space
2	Waterway Park - Non-motorized public boat launch & park	Existing pedestrian access
3	Extend esplanade	Existing esplanade
4	Extend esplanade	Existing public marine access
5	Repair esplanade	Secondary view corridor
6	New esplanade	Undeveloped primary view corridor
7	Improve access between downtown & Thea Foss Waterway (S 15th St)	Undeveloped secondary view corridor
8	Repair esplanade	
9	Extend esplanade	
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12	Extend esplanade	
13	Develop pedestrian access & motorized boat launch	
14	Develop pedestrian access & motorized boat launch	
15	Develop pedestrian access & motorized boat launch	
16	Develop pedestrian access & motorized boat launch	
17	Improve existing pedestrian access & develop Heritage Trail Option	
18	Upgrade pedestrian amenities along E D Street	
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Plan Updates 2007 – 2011

Shoreline Master Program, Public Access Plan, Design Guidelines

Existing Public Marine Access Facilities

- A** North Moorage
- B** Pier A

Potential Projects

- 5** Repair esplanade
- 6** New esplanade
- 7** Improve access between downtown & Thea Foss Waterway (S 15th St)
- 17** Improve existing pedestrian access & develop Heritage Trail Option
- 18** Upgrade pedestrian amenities along E D Street

Foss Waterway Development Authority Transition

In December, 2020 City of Tacoma and Metro Parks Tacoma assumed stewardship of the Foss uplands

594 housing units, 2 award winning museums, much of the Esplanade, and an active Owners' Association maintaining public areas had been completed under FWDA

5.64 acres transferred to Metro Parks

2.4 acres now in contract for private development

1.7 acres remaining for future development

An aerial photograph of the Tacoma waterfront. The foreground shows a large marina filled with numerous white sailboats docked at wooden piers. To the left, there are modern buildings, including a prominent one with a silver, conical roof. A multi-lane highway runs parallel to the waterfront. In the background, the city skyline of Tacoma is visible, with various high-rise buildings under a clear sky. The water is calm, reflecting the sky and the surrounding structures.

City of Tacoma Updates

- COMPLETED PROJECTS
 - Seawall improvements on Sites 10 & 12 and Municipal Dock
 - 15th Street Moorage Project
 - Stormwater outfall
 - Seaport Museum rain gardens
 - North Moorage float replacement

City of Tacoma Updates

- Upcoming Projects
 - Esplanade connection
 - Close a gap in the Esplanade at the Foss Waterway Seaport thanks to funding from the Port, City, State and other partners
 - Site 8
 - Site is being cleared following a recent fire and will be marketed for redevelopment





MetroParks Tacoma Updates

- 8.4 total acres of parks planned
- George's Park and Thea's Park completed
- Melanie's Park completed
- Waterway Park kayaking/rowing park unfunded



Upcoming Activities

- Close sale on Sites 9 & 10 for development mixed use marina support uses for Foss Harbor Marina
- Continuing support of Foss Waterway Owners Association
- Market Site 8 for development
- Fundraising for future Waterway Park



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