San Juan County Conservation Land Bank

CHANNEL PRESERVE

Lopez Island



The **Channel Preserve** is a quiet shoreline preserve, except when it comes to wildlife. An approximately ½ mile pedestrian trail leads preserve visitors through a second growth forest, past small pocket wetlands and down to a beach that looks out onto San Juan Channel. Wildlife watchers may see river otter, harbor seals, and a variety of songbirds, shorebirds, and waterfowl. To protect wildlife along this shoreline, please leave your pet at home. There is a bike rack and parking for five vehicles.

This preserve was purchased in part with grants from the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account and Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program.



Directions

From Lopez Ferry Landing:

Take Ferry Road heading south. At 2.2 miles the road veers right and the name changes to Fisherman Bay Road. Continue past Lopez Village and along Fisherman Bay. After 7.0 miles turn right onto Airport Rd, then turn left onto Shark Reef Rd at 7.4 miles. Continue south and at 8.2 miles turn right onto Meadow Lane. The trailhead parking is on the right, 8.3 miles from the start.

From Lopez Village:

Head south out of the village on Fisherman Bay Rd. After 2.8 miles turn right onto Airport Rd, then turn left onto Shark Reef Rd at 3.2 miles. Continue south and at 4.0 miles turn right onto Meadow Lane. The trailhead parking is on the right, 4.1 miles from the start.





P Parking



When you visit:

- Stay on designated trails.
- Daytime and pedestrian use only.
- No dogs.
- No fires or camping.
- Take nothing.
- Leave nothing.





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Birds and Mammals

The following species have been observed in the forested upland and from the shore. This list was compiled by staff and volunteers, additional observations are always welcome.

Northern Flicker



Pacific Loon Pileated Woodpecker

Common Loon Downy Woodpecker

Horned Grebe Hairy Woodpecker

Double-crested Cormorant Pacific-slope Flycatcher

Pelagic Cormorant American Crow
Great Blue Heron Common Raven
Canada Goose Barn Swallow

Harlequin Duck Bushtit

White-winged Scoter Chestnut-backed Chickadee

Surf Scoter Brown Creeper

Common Goldeneye Red-breasted Nuthatch

Bufflehead Bewick's Wren
Red-breasted Merganser House Wren
Hooded Merganser Pacific Wren

Turkey Vulture Golden-crown Kinglet
Bald Eagle Swainson's Thrush
Cooper's Hawk Varied Thrush
Black Oystercatcher American Robin
Western Sandpiper Cedar Waxwing

Least Sandpiper Orange-crowned Warbler
Heermann's Gull Yellow-rumped Warbler

Mew Gull Spotted Towhee
California Gull Song Sparrow

Glaucous-winged Gull White-crowned Sparrow

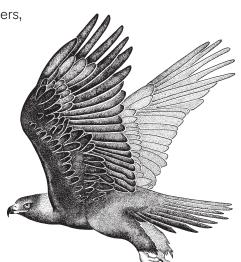
Common Murre Chipping Sparrow
Ancient Murrelet Dark-eyed Junco

Marbled Murrelet Brown-headed Cowbird

Pigeon Guillemot Purple Finch

Rhinocerous Auklet American Goldfinch
Belted Kingfisher Red Crossbill

Rufous Hummingbird Pine Siskin



Mammals

Harbor Seal Stellar Sea Lion River Otter Mink

Black-Tailed Deer

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