

Jan 10, 2025

Skagit Trail Builders Advisory Committee Meeting

Notes taken by Jenny Sandbo, Advisory Committee Chair

29 Volunteers in attendance

Potential special session for native plant restoration

Laura from the Port of Skagit reached out about doing a special work party the week of March 15 to install 210 native plants along Quarry Trail.

The plants are arriving on March 15, the day after our normally scheduled work party on March 14. The SWHS Earth Club is our guest group for that day.

She's hoping to involve port employees during the week but would also like to include local youth in the project.

Overview of discussion:

JT and Michael could make themselves available during the week for an afternoon work party to accommodate Port staff and possibly students' afterschool.

- Paul and Jerry not available to lead.
- Jenny is not available to lead or capture content.
- No other volunteers expressed interest in a work party during the week.

Chloe and Amelia (Youth Leaders) shared the opinion that it is difficult to engage school age volunteers during the week.

- High School students have sports or jobs.
- Younger children have parents that work during the week.

One volunteer expressed interest in supporting the restoration effort but noted that work commitments make it difficult to participate during times scheduled around the availability of the Port's paid staff.

The leadership team concluded that they would be willing to host an additional work party on Saturday, March 21.

Jenny will reach out to Laura with this suggestion.

No other comments or questions

Tonight's Planning Meeting, at about 4 pm, Bull Pen: Headcount 15