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## Background Information

### Ted Olson Nature Preserve Master Plan

#### The First Parcel

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The Ted Olson Nature Preserve was part of a larger previously logged tract purchased by the Olson family around 1900.

The 10 acre parcel including the Winthers connection was donated to the then Bainbridge Island Park and Recreation District by Theodore Olson on 2 November 1973 with the intent that 'then land be preserved for public park use'.

The intention for development of the park included 'nature trails, picnic area, and parking'.

In 1981 Charles Maher and Scout Troup 565 cleared and developed a nature trail that remains today. The project also included direction and interpretive signs.

#### The Kallgren Addition

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This addition was made possible through the purchase from Eileen Olson, niece of Ted Olson and the work of neighbors and the Bainbridge Island Land Trust in 2007.

A summary of the easement:

##### **Directive -**

To assure the scenic, open space, forest, and wildlife habitat values be retained forever.

##### **Allowed uses -**

- Trails* – based on topography, public safety, habitat, and sensitive areas, be 90' from wetland but where this is not possible trails should be established minimizing damage and disruption to wetland.
- Boardwalks* – built in a manner to cause minimum impact and disruption to soils, vegetation, and water flow.
- Vegetation* – control non-native plants, replant native species and manage to prevent disease and optimize wildlife habitats

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