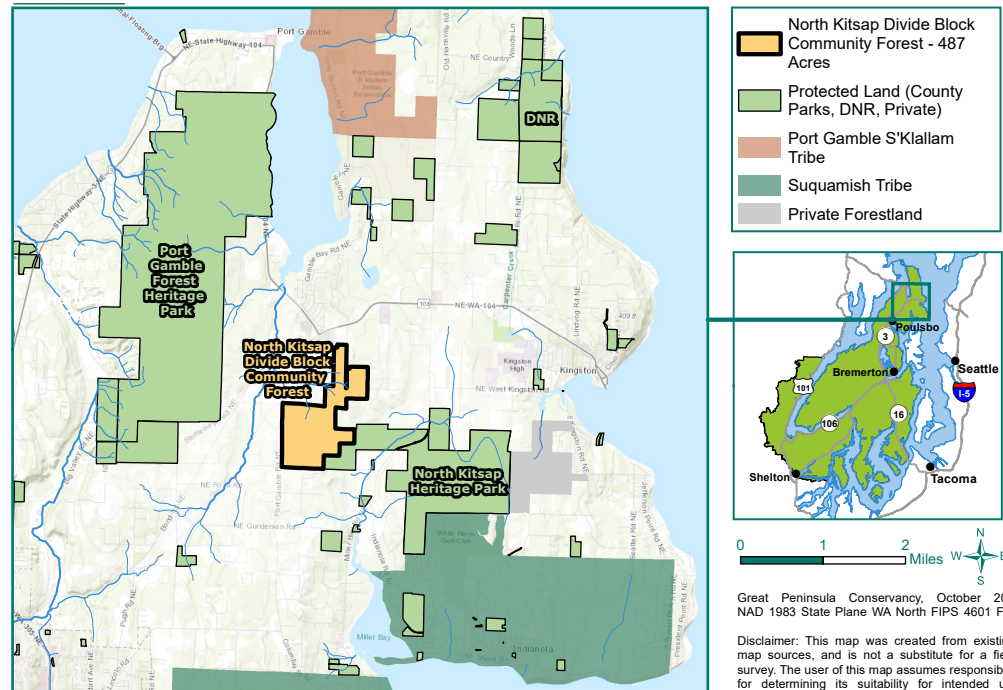


NORTH KITSAP DIVIDE BLOCK COMMUNITY FOREST

- **487 Acres**
- **~\$4 Million**
- **Missing link in Kitsap Forest and Bay**
- **Important for STO Trail**



The North Kitsap Divide Block Community Forest is the last remaining large block of private timberland in northern Kitsap County. Strategically located within a matrix of Department of Natural Resource State Trust Land, private forestland, and Kitsap County heritage parks with active restoration logging programs, the 487-acre property is an ideal location for a community forest. The property's good soils, ample moisture, road infrastructure, and moderate slopes gives it some of the best growing conditions in western Washington. It is also the future route of the regionally significant Sound to Olympics Trail, which will connect the Mountains to Sound Greenway with the Olympic Discovery Trail. A broad coalition of 30 community groups have expressed their support for the project as part of the larger Kitsap Forest and Bay Project.

The property is owned by Rayonier and is highly threatened with conversion to 24 large-lot residences. Once purchased, it will be managed as a community forest for wildlife habitat, recreation and sustainable forestry.