

Mountains to Sound March

An update on The March from Snoqualmie Pass to Puget Sound • May 1990
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Here comes The March: all aboard or gangway!

The Mountains to Sound March has taken on a momentum and life of its own, gathering speed, complexity and many friends as it goes. Preparations are now well underway for this monumental mass movement of marchers, a five-day, 88-mile hike leaving Snoqualmie Pass July 4 and arriving at Seattle's Waterfront Park July 8. More than 60 have signed up so far for the full five days of challenging and spectacular hikes, ranging in length from 12 to 25 miles. Hundreds of day hikers will join in.

There are only a few weeks left to sign up for the full five days—registration closes in late June. See the application form inside.

Sponsors contributes \$3,500: more needed

March organizers gratefully acknowledge \$3,500 in contributions from The Boeing Company, High Mountain Rendezvous, and Perkins Coie.

Our financial crew is still looking at the budget with knitted brows, however. To keep us afloat, we ask Issaquah Alps Trails Club members and friends to contribute as individuals. See inside for details.

King County joins as a co-sponsor

We enthusiastically welcome King County Natural Resources and Parks Division as a co-sponsor of The March. One of its major contributions will be providing latrines in strategic locations along the entire route. King County is also providing police protection for campers at Rattlesnake Lake on the Fourth of July.

Day hikes scheduled on the route

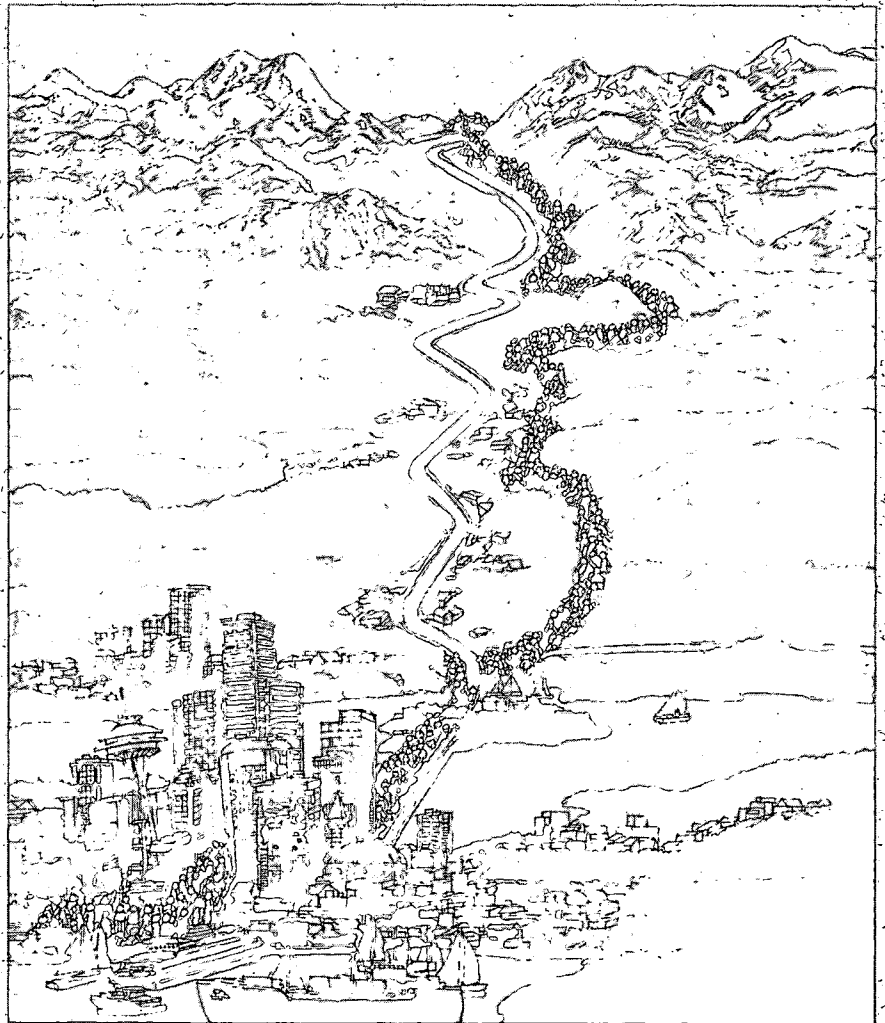
See inside for a complete list of short, medium and long day hikes along The March route. There is no registration for day hikes and no fee. Simply assemble at the appointed place and time and away you go! You may also hike with the end-to-enders one day at a time.

Trails are opening up and brushing up

- Washington State Parks is hastening the opening of the trail along the abandoned railroad grade from Snoqualmie Pass through Twin Falls State Park to Rattlesnake Lake.

- Weyerhaeuser has granted permission for travel over company lands on Rattlesnake Mt.

- Volunteer crews are in the field brushing out brand new trails to link existing ones.



This is a sketch of the official poster for the Mountains to Sound March. You will see it all around Puget Sound at the beginning of June. See inside to get one of your own.

Honorary Co-Chairmen: Brian Boyle, Washington State Commissioner of Public Lands; James R. Ellis, Attorney and Civic Leader
Organizer: Jack Hornung • 545-9122, Operations: Tom Wood • 391-8027, Publicity: Harvey Manning • 746-1017, Secretary: Suzy Roth • 392-6259
Co-Sponsors: Issaquah Alps Trails Club, David Kappler, President; Snoqualmie Valley Trails Club, Pat Brewington, President;
King County Natural Resources and Parks Division

Mountains to Sound Scheduled Day Hikes

Bold listings indicate route and schedule for those who want to join the end-to-end hikers one day at a time.

Day 1: Wednesday, July 4

Asahel Curtis to Twin Falls. 4B 8:30 a.m. -- 13 miles, mostly downhill. Meet at the North Bend Park & Ride*. Leaders: Mike Means 888-3893, Clifton Cooper 655-7239

McClellan Butte Trailhead to Twin Falls. 3B 10 a.m. 8 miles. Meet at the North Bend Park & Ride*. Leaders: Pat Brewington 888-2426, Pattie Mercer 888-4753.

Snoqualmie Pass to Rattlesnake Lake. 4B+ 6 a.m. Meet at the Mountaineers Lodge between Snoqualmie Summit and Ski Acres. 25 miles.

Day 2: Thursday, July 5

Rattlesnake Ledge up and back. 2C 9 a.m. Meet at Rattlesnake Lake. Take exit 32 from I-90 and head south. This is a steep and difficult hike with unsure footing-- not suitable for small children. Boots required. 2 miles. Leader: Gred Brigrance, 745-6326.

Cedar Butte. 2C 12:30 p.m. Meet at the North Bend Park and Ride*. 4.5 miles. Meet at North Bend Park & Ride*. Leaders: Pat Brewington 888-2426, Suzy Roth 392-6259.

Preston Town Tour. 1A First tour: 10 a.m., second tour: 2 p.m. Meet at Preston Community Hall (take the Preston exit from I-90, follow road to Fall City 1/2 mile.) Tours are 1 hour each. Leader: Mary Ann Tagney-Jones 222-7615.

Rattlesnake Lake to Preston. 4D+ 6 a.m. Meet at Rattlesnake Lake. Take exit 32 from I-90, turn south to Rattlesnake Lake. Meet at the camp area on opposite side of lake and ask for the day hike leader. 18 miles.

Day 3: Friday, July 6

Grand Ridge Exploration 2B 9 a.m. Meet at the Issaquah City Hall Parking Lot. Leaders: John Seebeth 391-3843, Dennis Burk 391-3835.

Lake Tradition Exploration. 2B 1:30 p.m. Meet at the Issaquah City Hall Parking lot. Five miles. Leader: Bob Gross 392-0539.

Preston Trail, Tiger 1 and 3, to Issaquah. 4D 8 a.m. Meet at Preston Park and Ride on the north side of I-90 at the Preston exit. 10 miles. Leaders: Tom Wood 391-8027, Will Thompson 488-8592.

Day 4: Saturday, July 7

Issaquah over Squak to Highway 900. 3C 8 a.m. Meet at the Issaquah City Hall Parking lot. 6 miles. Some steep and wild. Leaders: Gus Nelson, 392-7428, Tom Palm 783-6005.

Wilderness Peak Trailhead to Red Town. 2C 11 a.m. Meet at the Park and Ride at Newport Way and the Renton-Issaquah Road (SR 900) 5 miles. Leaders: Betty Culbert 432-7387, Connie Dow 392-2190.

Newcastle Tour. 1B 2 p.m. Meet at the Coal Creek Trailhead (from Newport Way, turn south on 164th. Trailhead is at the "U-bend" about 3 miles up the hill.) Leaders: Ann Leber 746-3291, Gail Palm 783-6005.

Issaquah to Newcastle Beach Park via Squak and Cougar Mountains. 4D 7 a.m. Meet at Memorial Field in Issaquah and have a pancake breakfast with the Masons.

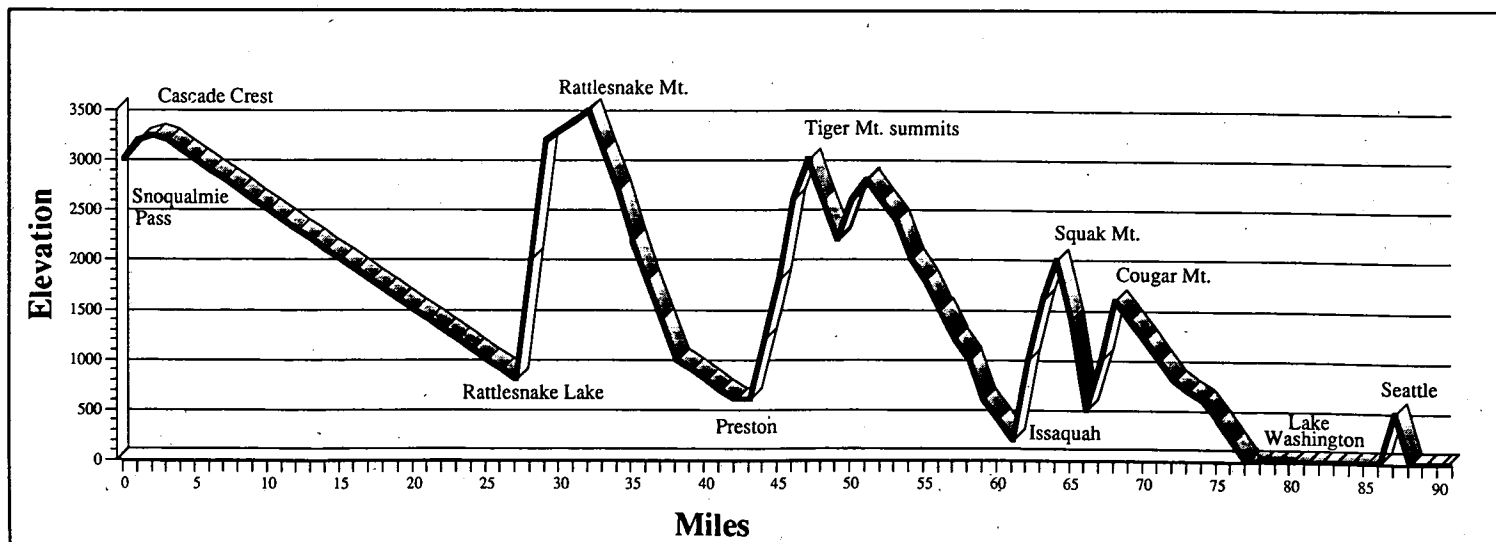
Day 5: Sunday, July 8

The Tri-MountainVolkssport Club joins the last leg The March at Mercer Island's Luther Burbank Park starting between 8 and 10 a.m. and proceeding seven miles over the Mercer Island Floating Bridge to Seattle and Waterfront Park. Call Margaret Marshall at 392-4335 for details.

Newcastle Beach Park in Bellevue to Waterfront Park in Seattle. 7 a.m. Meet at Newcastle Beach. Take the 112th St. exit from 405 in Renton. Turn right off the exit and then take the next right to the beach.

* At 4th and Main, next to the North Bend Library.

Profile of Mountains to Sound March (scale deliberately exaggerated).



Here's how you can help support The March

Donate money

The Mountains to Sound March received a welcome financial boost with a \$2,500 donation from **The Boeing Company**. **High Mountain Rendezvous**, an outdoor equipment store in Issaquah's Gilman Village, donated \$500. **Perkins Coie**, a law firm with offices in Seattle and Bellevue, also donated \$500.

But to help offset the cost of organizing and publicizing this event, the Mountains to Sound committee appeals to you, the members of the Issaquah Alps Trails Club and other friends of the effort.

We urge you to donate in the amounts suggested below. We will need many individual donations to meet our budget and make The March a resounding success! Please dig deep. Make your checks payable to "Issaquah Alps Trails Club" and send to: Mountains to Sound March, P.O. Box 351, Issaquah, WA 98027.

As a contributor to The March, your name will be published in future issues of the *Alpiner*, unless you wish to remain anonymous. Contributions to the club are tax deductible.

Supporter \$100 +
Patron \$50-99
Friend \$25-49
Contributor \$10-24

Register now

There is still room for more hikers on the complete five-day March. Registration will close during the last part of June.

For a Mountains to Sound brochure with details about the route, procedures, equipment to bring, etc, check the Issaquah or Bellevue-area libraries, the Issaquah Parks and Recreation Department or area hiking/outdoor stores. You may also get a brochure by calling any of the phone numbers listed on the bottom of page one.

The quickest way to register is to call Nancy Painter directly at 235-0690. The cost of The March is \$75, which covers food and camping fees. Hikers are encouraged to send a little more to cover costs.

Buy a poster

In early June the official Mountains to Sound poster will begin appearing in shop windows throughout the Puget Sound region.

Painted by local artist and wildlife enthusiast David Lund, this full-color poster depicts the dramatic sweep of the Mountains to Sound route from Snoqualmie Pass to Puget Sound. The artwork shown on page one is a sketch—the final poster will look basically the same and will have the words "Mountains to Sound March 1990" across the top.

You may reserve one of your very own by mailing in the coupon at right with \$10 plus \$2.50 for postage and handling. The price includes tax.

Posters will also be available for \$10 during The March dates, at Salmon Days and at various locations which carry Trails Club books. The poster will also be available by mail through the Issaquah Alps Trails Club. All proceeds will help offset costs of the Mountains to Sound March.

Buy a T-shirt

What's an event without a T-shirt? You may place an advance order for a shirt by filling out the form on the right. Shirts will be white and short-sleeved only with a line drawing similar the artwork on the poster. The price is \$11, including tax and postage.

Mountains to Sound T-shirts will be available for purchase during the event and by mail through the regular Trails Club mail order service on the last page of the summer *Alpiner*.

Volunteer to help

There is a lot of work to be done both before and during the Mountains to Sound March.

Take a look at the form on the right to see which jobs you might help with. Many of the tasks would be ideal for Scouts looking for community service work. Some will only take you a few hours but will help out immensely.

For more details on volunteering, call Lorriane Dod at 827-2361.

All-Purpose Application

Mail to: Mountains to Sound March, P.O. Box 351, Issaquah, WA 98027.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

☐ I want to donate money

My check made out to the *Issaquah Alps Trails Club* is enclosed.

☐ Do not publish my name

☐ I want to register for the Mountains to Sound March

For the quickest results, send your name and address along with the \$75 fee directly to Nancy Painter, 12428 149th Ave S.E., Renton, WA 98056 or call her at 235-0690.

☐ I want a poster

Enclose \$12.50 per poster, which covers tax, postage and handling. Posters will be available after the first week of June.

☐ I want a T-Shirt

Please specify size and quantity:

_____ Small _____ Medium
_____ Large _____ Extra Large

All shirts are white short-sleeved. Send \$11 for each shirt (includes tax and postage)

☐ I want to volunteer to:

- ☐ Sell posters and T-shirts
- ☐ Distribute posters to stores
- ☐ Guard camping equipment
- ☐ Go food shopping
- ☐ Make lunches
- ☐ Lead day hikes
- ☐ Coordinate radio communications with hike leaders
- ☐ Clean up
- ☐ Guide reporters

The Mountains to Sound "Greenway": a fitting end to a journey across the continent

The Mountains to Sound Greenway is not a plan, but a concept, the details to be worked out by a consortium of government agencies. The concept is not for a giant park, though there are in the Greenway corridor existing state, county and city parks and likely will be more in the future.

The concept is not for a wilderness corridor from Lake Washington to the Cascades, though the motto "Wilderness on the Metro" has received wide approval.

The Greenway envisions a *combination* of parks, wildland/natural areas, greenbelts and working forests.

The Greenway is not envisioned as a corridor of specific width, but rather a system of green places within a belt that will be broad or narrow depending on the locality and opportunity.

The Greenway would not be a single, unbroken strip of green. Rather, it would realize the Jim Ellis vision of travel corridors that are not uniformly grouped but instead have frequent green places within a framework of urbanization. The Greenway would preserve the essence of the traditional character of this travel corridor once known as the "Yellowstone Highway" and the "Sunset Highway". It would maintain for the future a travel experience from Snoqualmie Pass to Puget Sound that would be a proper denouement to a journey on the I-90 route westward across the continent.

The Greenway concept does not picture a single Mountains to Sound Trail, but rather a corridor providing routes for a variety of travel modes: foot, bicycle, horse--perhaps even wagon trains on the John Wayne trail! Motorized travel would have its place in the Greenway--scenic viewpoints and places for family picnics.

The Mountains to Sound March to take place July 4-8 has as its purpose the dramatization of the Greenway concept and what it will mean to King County in the providing of trail corridors, picnic spots, viewpoints, wildlife habitat, wildlife travel corridors and just plain open space.

Harvey Manning

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Evening programs on The March range from educational talks to Swedish humor

Citizen groups are arranging entertainments for the four nightly camps at Rattlesnake Lake, Preston, Issaquah and Bellevue's Newcastle Beach. There will also be celebrity speakers at Waterfront Park on the final day of The March Sunday, July 8. The evening programs are free and open to the public.

The schedule so far:

Wednesday, July 4, Rattlesnake Lake. Speakers from the Seattle Watershed and Seattle City Light will give an educational talk.

Thursday, July 5, Preston Community Club. This is "North of I-90 Night" in Preston. Speakers from the Snoqualmie Valley Trails Club, Friends of Snoqualmie Valley, Friends of Grand Ridge and the Preston Community Club will talk about recreational opportunities in the area. There will also be a special performance of Swedish humor by "Sven and Ole".

Friday, July 6, Issaquah Train Depot near Memorial Field. There will be a musical performance by Issaquah's Nancy Rumbel and Eric Tingstad at 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 7, Newcastle Beach Park, Bellevue. The Mountains to Sound March has its own troubador, Seattle musician and environmentalist Dana Lyons. He will perform both Saturday and on the final day.

Sunday, July 8, Waterfront Park, Seattle. Speakers include State Lands Commissioner Brian Boyle, Civic Leader Jim Ellis, County Councilman Bruce Laing, Seattle City Councilwoman Sue Donaldson and Environmentalist Hazel Wolf.

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