

## Bruce Morser

Thank you for the chance to comment.

I live a mile from the proposed "Maury Island Open Space Cleanup Site", and I visit as a walker at least once or twice per week, every week of the year (for the last 18 years). While I appreciate your desire to "clean up" the site, I think you should leave it alone - no changes except to post signs describing the dangers of contamination at trail access points. Here's why:

- Most of the users are local to Vashon/Maury and know about the contamination and risks. We take our own precautions as you would with any dangers at any site.
- Most of our own yards have the very same contamination, and making changes to the Park helps our health little.
- The beauty of this incredible park is it's unimproved nature. I was very disappointed with the fence and bench at the bluff. I was especially disappointed in the reforestation effort. Vashon has so few public open view park lands. This is a great chance to save \$ and leave a naturally re-balancing site alone.
- Efforts to enlarge a few trails while eliminating many small ones will increase the traffic and narrow the traffic into a smaller area, reducing the experience. Some people will assuredly keep using the old trails - probably me.
- Attracting more folks with improved trails and a large parking lot will actually expose more people to the contamination.
- People will assume there is no longer a health hazard there - but there will be for all that venture off the groomed trail - this seems irresponsible to me.
- Leaving the trails as is (no new parking lot) and posting health hazard signs will decrease the pedestrian traffic there and lower the human exposure.

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