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Interurban **Trail North** Washington



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The Interurban Trail between Seattle and Everett stitches together a dense residential and commercial patchwork that the original electric railway helped to grow in the early part of the 20th century. The 31-mile trail also goes through the communities of Shoreline, Mountlake Terrace, Edmonds, and Lynnwood. It skirts two regional malls (Alderwood and Everett), a casino, and an abandoned drive-in theater, among other businesses.

About the Route

The rail trail is a 10- to 12-foot-wide paved path that travels through park or greenbelt settings. Several long sections travel adjacent to noisy Interstate 5, which took the place of the railway corridor.

Leaving from northwest Seattle, the trail passes several examples of trailside art, including some depicting a volcano erupting, an elk sprouting horns, and other scenes in a series of sequential signs. The trail continues through the commercial center of Shoreline and ends at picturesque Echo Lake. From here, it follows a 1-mile detour onto bike lanes and a path to the Lake Ballinger Station trailhead, which features a historical exhibit of the railway. As with all trail detours, look for the distinctive Interurban Trail signs showing a red arrow on a green circle on either a white or brown background.

Many of the pedestrian crossings offer scenic views of peaks in the Cascade Range to the east. One trailside curiosity south of Everett Mall is the abandoned Puget Park Drive-In, which featured its last picture show in 2009. The trail reaches its northern end att N 3rd Ave. in Everett.

Trail History

The corridor for the Seattle-Everett Traction Company was considered remote when it launched service in 1910. As growth mushroomed after World War I, commuter and mercantile traffic switched to cars and trucks on new roads, and the railway (then owned by Puget Sound Power & Light Company) folded in 1939. Snohomish County, Lynnwood, and Everett pooled their resources to create the first 11.8 miles of trail in the mid-1990s.





States: Washington

Counties: King, Snohomish

Length: 31.3miles

Trail end points: S 3rd Ave. (Everett) to

Westlake Ave. (Seattle)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Concrete

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Horseback Riding, Inline Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

The Interurban Trail North runs between S 3rd Ave. (Everett) and Westlake Ave. (Seattle).

Parking is available at:

- 20100 48th Ave W (Lynwood)
- Ballinger Park, 23000 Lakeview Dr. (Mountlake Terrace)
- Echo Lake Park, 19901 Ashworth Ave N (Shoreline)

Please see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all parking options and detailed directions.



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