



Cascadia Water Trail Campsites

Pioneer Park *The North Sound Area*

Across the channel from the Swinomish Reservation, this site in Pioneer Park offers a commanding view of La Conner on the Skagit delta. North of the park, nearby downtown La Conner, offers eateries, watering holes, local art, and a historical museum. Pioneer Park is between two prime paddling and wildlife destinations: the Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve to the north and the Skagit Wildlife Area to the south.

Natural History.

The 11-mile-long Swinomish Channel connects Padilla Bay with Saratoga Passage, providing inland passage for tugs, fishing boats, freighters, and recreational craft. Dredging of the man-made cut was completed in 1937 through what was once called Swinomish Slough, a system of salt marshes, shallow sloughs, and mud flats. La Conner's working waterfront is the produce of a navigable Swinomish Channel.

Trailheads:

Snee-oosh Beach	4.5 nms
Swinomish Channel Ramp	4.4 nms
Blake's Resort RV Marina	0.5 nms

Adjacent Sites:

Ala Spit	5.3 nms
Saddlebag Island	9.5 nms
Skagit Island	6.8 nms

Coordinates: N 48⁰ 23.172' W 122⁰ 30.084'

Charts: NOAA Chart 18427 SeaTrails Chart WA 101

Beach Approach:

Sand and gravel mix beach at low tide; at high tide use the boat ramp.

For the most current information, visit the website of the Washington Water Trails Association generally

www.wwta.org

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