

Sample 2.2: Excerpt from the Tulalip Tribes Hazard Mitigation Plan

3.4 Land Use and Future Development Trends

The Tulalip Reservation has a unique land ownership and land use system compared to other jurisdictions in Washington State. This is because the Tulalip Reservation is not a State; rather it is a sovereign nation within Washington State and held in Trust for its native inhabitants, namely Tulalip Tribes members, by the United States Federal government. Nonetheless, Federal policy and relations between Native Americans and non-native Americans, has led to about 11,400 acres or 48% of the land area being alienated or owned by non-natives. This land is referred to as Fee Land. With greater economic independence in recent years, the Tribe has been buying back alienated land. As of 2006, it is estimated that the Tribes and members now own about 60% of the Reservation land base.

Figure 2-7 shows the current land ownership of the Reservation. Please note the tribally owned parcel at Camano Head. This was the site of a landslide that killed many Tribal members' ancestors in the 1830s while clamming. It caused a small tidal wave, a tsunami that then swept across Possession Sound and destroyed a village at Hat Island. **Figure 2-8** shows the current zoning of the land of the Tulalip Reservation. **Figure 2-9** shows the proposed future land use of the Tulalip Reservation. Note that Tribal Trust lands located along the steep landslide-prone bluffs are now designated as *Conservation*.

Figure 2-7: 2004 Land Ownership

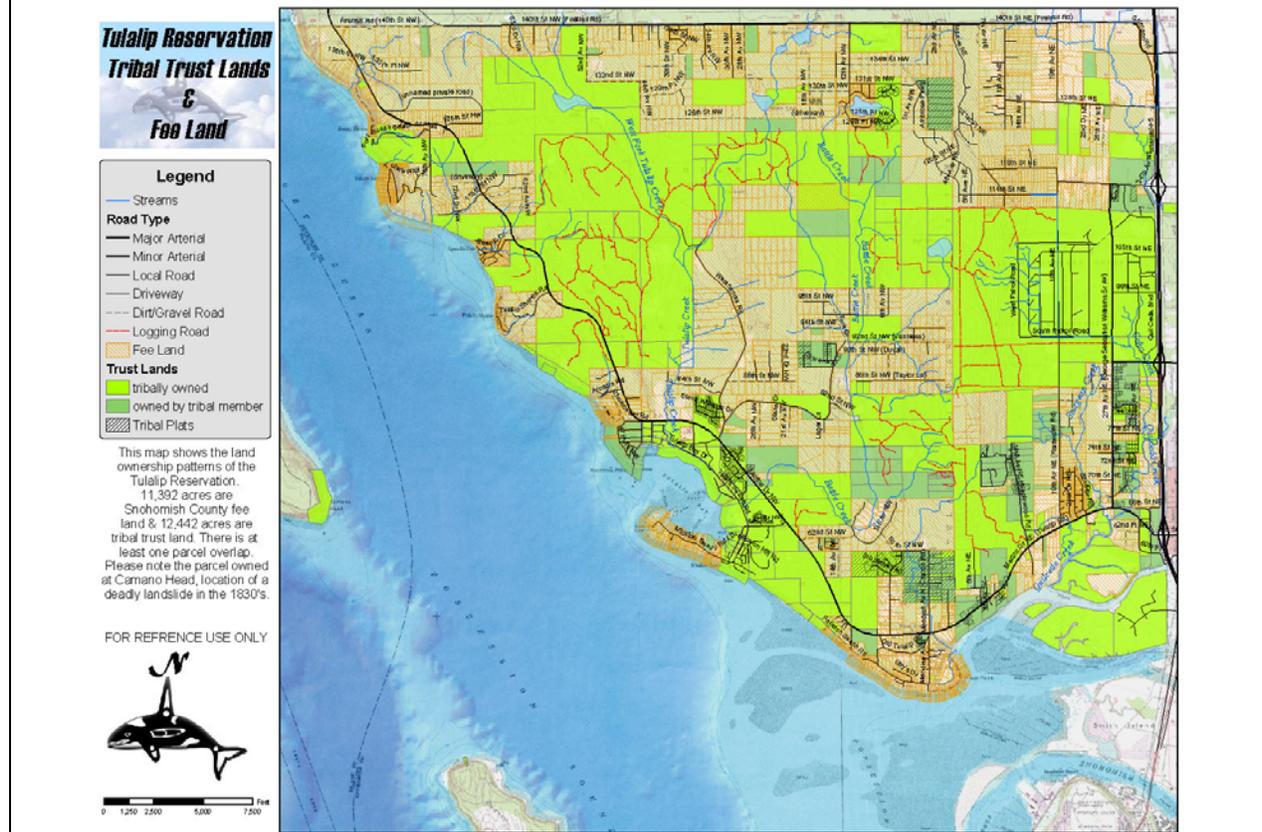


Figure 2-8: 2004 Tulalip Reservation Zoning

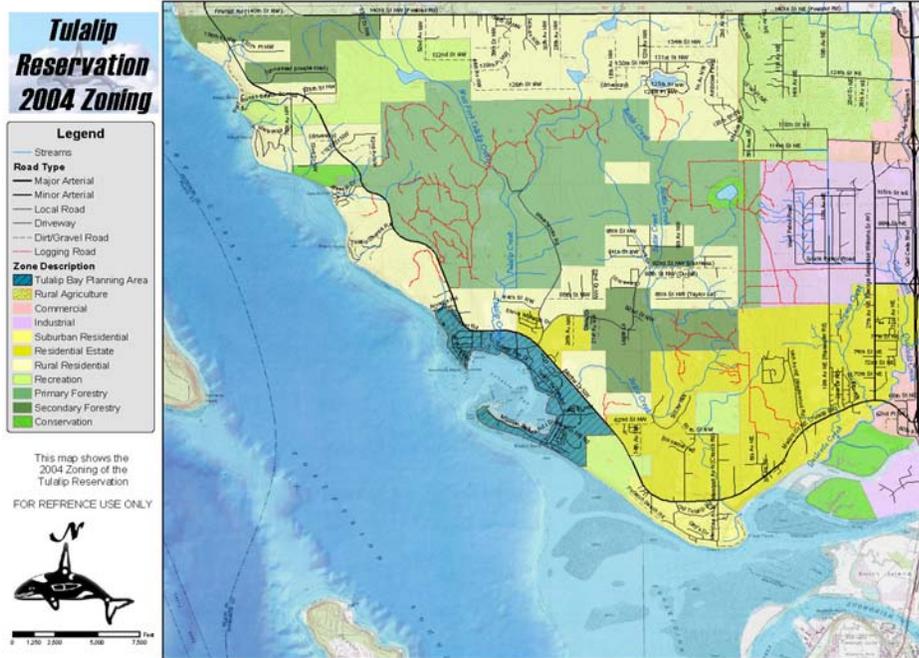


Figure 2-9: Tulalip Reservation Future Land Use

