

Topography and Floodplains

- Green-Duamish Watershed Boundary
  - River Mile
  - Lakes
  - Rivers & Streams
  - Highways
  - 100-Year Floodplain
  - 500-Year Floodplain
  - Landslide Hazard Areas
- Elevation (Feet)  
High : 1747.7  
Low : 0

The Green/Duamish Watershed covers an impressive topographic gradient, gradually making its way from 1,700 feet at the foothills of the Cascades down to the Duwamish Estuary at sea level. The Green and Duwamish Rivers have carved their paths through this landscape, meandering over the seasons and through millennia, regularly overflowing across the lower reaches of the watershed. This meandering and flooding action has created low, flat elevations with fertile soil, ideal for human settlement. These areas still flood, however, and human settlements within these floodplains are at risk. The 100-year floodplain is based on the most recent Preliminary FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

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