This former landfill will soon undergo active cleanup in a partnership project among the Port of Bellingham, the City of Bellingham, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources and the Washington State Department of Ecology. Cleanup activities will include the placement of an environmental cap to prevent rain and other water from passing through landfill waste and leaching chemicals into Bellingham Bay. To the north of this former landfill is another state-listed cleanup site, the former RG Haley wood treatment site.

Following cleanup activities at these two sites, a 17-acre park will be developed which will offer recreation, waterfront access, and enhanced wildlife habitat. The public, who helped guide the park master plan, will also be invited to participate during the design phase of this park. For more information on the park development, view the Cornwall Beach Master Plan at www.cob.org.

You are standing above the southern end of the Port and City’s 227-acre downtown waterfront redevelopment project. The area you see below, which was used as a municipal landfill from 1953-65, will be developed into the City’s largest waterfront park.