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The Camp Six Logging Exhibit is an authentic portrayal of the early days of logging and represents an actual logging situation from the period of steam logging.

Camp Six is located within the 625 acres of natural forest in Point Defiance Park, Tacoma. The forest at Point Defiance is the only such extensive forest preserve within a City Park in the United States.

The plans for Camp Six were drawn by a veteran logging engineer to faithfully depict an actual logging situation in the early days of logging on the Western slope. The plans, drawn in 1964, included the best and most representative of the ancient logging equipment still in existence at that time. Since then all of these machines and buildings have been obtained by donation and transported and installed at the site.

There are no reproductions at Camp Six. Each piece of equipment is the original and is displayed at Camp Six just as it was used many years ago in the woods.

Many of these steam logging machines and the bunkhouses were in advanced stages of disrepair when they arrived at Camp Six, but have been repaired and repainted to appear exactly as when they were in use generations ago. Some of the equipment has been restored to operating condition.

The Shay #7 steam locomotive was in use up until the time it was donated to Camp Six and has been maintained in top condition since then.

The overall appearance of the Camp Six Logging Exhibit is contemporary with the age of steam logging. Located as it is near the end of a winding drive through the dense woods of the Park, surrounded by thick forest, it appears as a real logging camp of the past.

The equipment and buildings have been restored but not altered. The original plan for Camp Six, drawn by a logging engineer to represent a logging camp, has not been altered

The equipment and buildings have been moved in to Camp Six from many places all over the State of Washington, but were continuously on the move when they were in use during the days of steam logging.

Camp Six, located as it is within a natural forest, can be defined honestly as an original site for a logging camp since a logging camp has to be located in uncut timber.

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	The period of steam-logging was the most significant era in the development of the Western slope of the United States. The use of steam power in logging created a commerce for timber that enabled this area to become populated and prosperous. Camp Six is an authentic portrayal of the early days of steam logging.												
	Camp Six is a valuable educational tool to all students of forestry and history. Thousands of school children from all over Western Washington tour the Camp Six Exhibit each year as part of their study of Northwest History.												
	The ingenuity and resourcefulness of the early logging engineers are evident throughout the Exhibit in the massive and complex pieces of steam-logging equipment.												

The timber industry has evolved from simple hand-cutting through the use of animals, steam power and now the most sophisticated electronic equipment, but the industry cannot

sophisticated electronic equipment, but the industry cannot be more significantly portrayed than in the highball days of steam logging.

The invention of steam-powered logging machines, beginning with the Dolbeer Donkey and culminating with the Lidgerwood Skidder, with all of the remarkable adaptations of steam-logging machines in between, and with the bizarre railroad equipment used then, is the primary story Camp Six has to relate.

It is to preserve these historically-significant logging artifacts that Camp Six has been created.

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#1 - The Rigged High-Lead

The rigged High-Lead at Camp Six is a true representation of the primary method used to log the forests during the era of steam. This is the only High-Lead known to have been rigged anywhere just for exhibit and it is an absolute necessity for any comprehensive museum of logging.

The High-Lead at Camp Six consists of a 110' spar pole, rigged exactly as it would be in an actual logging situation with new cable but very old shackles and blocks that were used for many years in the woods. The 15-ton pole and its 4 tons of "jewelry" rest on a small raft of logs. The six guy lines are secured to six ten-ton blocks of concrete sunk in the ground for permanence, otherwise the spar is rigged exactly as it would have been in the highball days of steam logging.

A Willamette yarding donkey engine and a 10 x 12 Washington Duplex loader complete the authentic High-Lead side.

#2 - The Loaded Log Train

The Loaded Log Train at Camp Six is made up of the following cars:

A flatcar carrying a mixed load.
A flatcar carrying a load of cedar logs.
An empty flatcar with a handbrake system.
Two very old side-dump cars.
Four sets of early disconnects.
One skeleton flatcar.
A "crummy" or caboose car.

#3 - Handcars, Track Cars and Speeders

The collection of early Handcars, Track Cars and Speeders at Camp Six represents the most comprehensive collection of its kind in any museum.

Of the sixteen cars in this collection, ranging from a 12-man crew car to the bizarre bicycle track cars, eight of the cars have been restored to operating condition.

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The collection includes representatives of every type of self-powered railcar used in the early logging camps from the turn of the Century to the end of the era of railroad logging.

#4 - The Kapowsin Bunkhouses

The Kapowsin Bunkhouses at Camp Spicolinated at an early camp in the lowlands of Wount Rainler. They represent a 'stationary' logging camp built in the dimensions of railcars and could be skidded onto flatcars, but were not rail-mounted. They are set on timbers at Camp Six with plank walks in between just as they were when in use up at Kapowsin.

#5 - The Quinault Car Camp

The Quinault Car Camp consists of five rail-mounted bunkhouses from the last operating car camp in the nation. The cars were built at the turn of the Century and were in use up until 1966 when the Camp was shut down and the remainder of the cars burned for tax purposes.

The five cars are representative of as many types and are mounted on very distinguished trucks of unusual design. They have been repaired and repainted but not altered and the calk-marked floors show their many years of use.

#6 - The Dolbeer Donkey Engine

The Dolbeer Donkey Engine at Camp Six is the only one of its kind intact. This is the first model Dolbeer, built by Murray B rothers in San Francisco in 1885, the first model built of the first design of the first steam logging machine.

The Dolbeer at Camp Six belies its age and hard use in the woods, as it has been kept in careful repair and even has its original sleds.

#7 - The Shay #7 Logging Locomotive

The Shay #7 was the last engine to operate on the last

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all-steam logging railroad and, as such, is the most famous and most-photographed logging engine in the nation Of the dozen or so Shay engines still kept in operating condition across the country, the Shay #7 is the only one operating in a museum of logging.

The Shay engine was the most popular locomotive used by Western loggers and contributed more to the success of rail-logging than any other design.

At Camp Six, the Shay #7 operates through the summer on the Point Defiance, Operates through the Railroad.

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#8 - The Lidgerwood Skidder

The Lidgerwood Skidder at Camp Six represents the ultimate in steam-logging machines and is only one remaining of more than a hundred of these units at work on the West Coast during the twenties.

The era of steam logging began with the Dolbeer Donkey and ended with the giant 300-ton Lidgerwood Skidder. The Lidgerwood was the most productive and the most wasteful unit to operate in the woods, and working the Skidder was the most dangerous and highest-paying job in the woods.

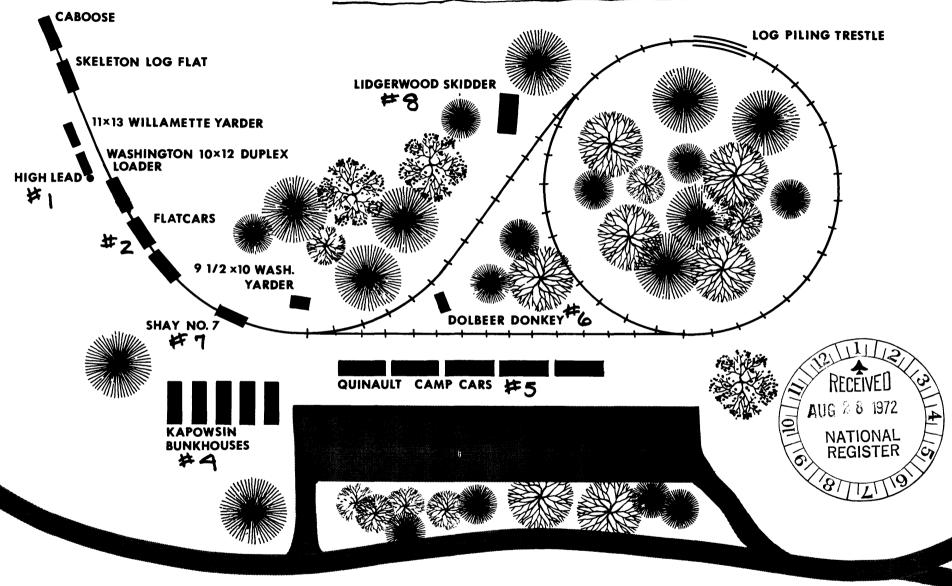
The Lidgerwood Skidder straddles a spur line of the railroad track at Camp Six and is rigged for logging just as it was when in use many years ago.

Verbal description of the property boundary

Beginning at the southwest corner, the boundary extends northeast along the ravine leading to Salmon Beach to the Park Exit Road then continues along this road to the Vassault Street exit, then west on the Pole Road for roughly 1000 feet to the point of beginning.

Description and correlating numbers correspond with those on attached brochure.

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CAMP 6 EXHIBITS

The PDQ and K Railroad

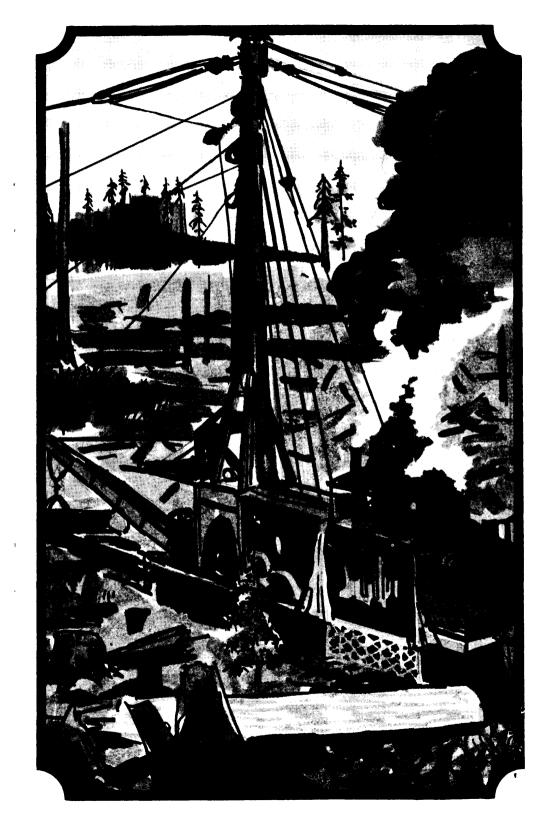
The logging railroad was usually made up of light track tacked to flimsey ties and laid on scanty ballast. The Point Defiance Quinault and Klickitat Railroad at Camp Six is what loggers refer to as 'mainline-type' roadbed, considered to be quite fancy for a logging line in the highball days of steam logging. The track and ties were mostly taken up from old logging lines and there are many of the old hand-hewn oval ties on the line at Camp Six.

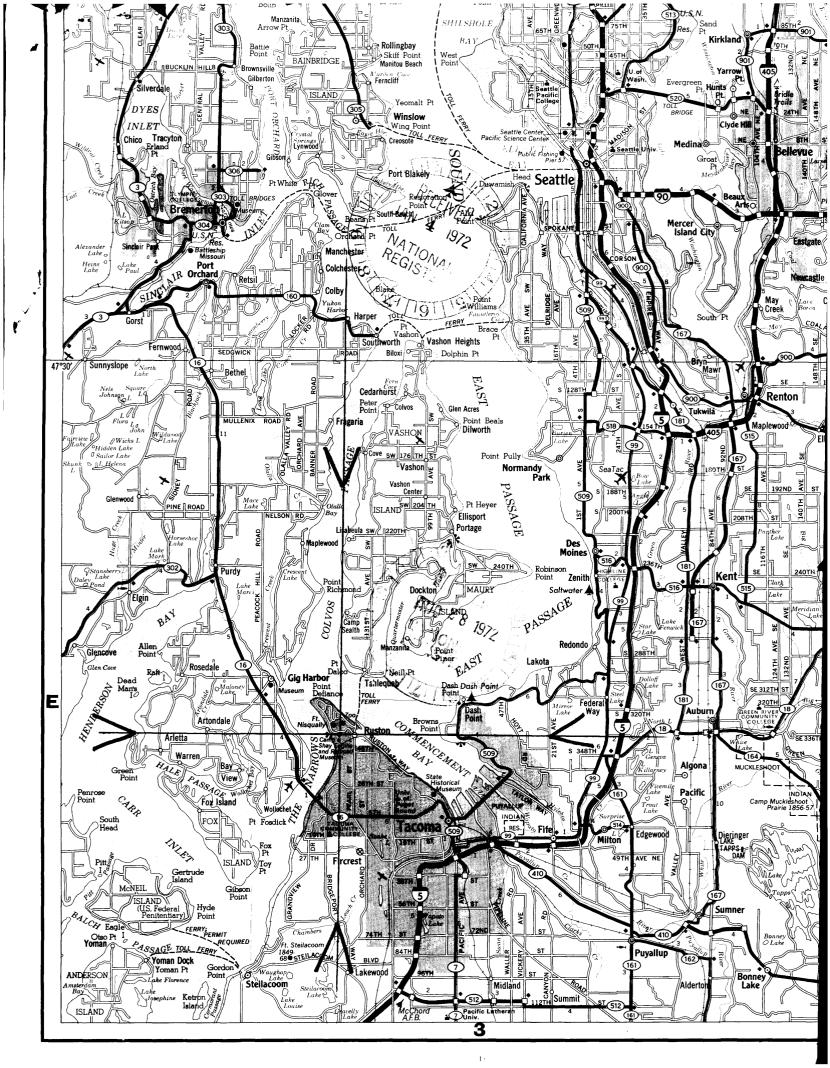
The PDQ and K Railroad was drawn and engineered by Marc Titlow. Clearing and grading of the right-of-way were done by the Army, when Fort Lewis Engineer Corps bivouacced twice at Camp Six, in 1964 and in 1966, performing the job as an exercise in engineered clearing.

The first thousand feet of the railroad track were installed in 1964 and the P.D.Q. and K. Railroad was dedicated in a gold-spike ceremony in September of that year.

The remainder of the railroad, more complex by its curved loop, log-piling trestle and five switch points, was installed in 1969.

The log-piling trestle on the PDQ and K Railroad is a duplicate of thousands of its kind constructed during the steam era. These trestles reached fantastic proportions, with the highest and longest piling trestles and the highest wood railroad bridge in the world all located in Western Washington in the twenties.





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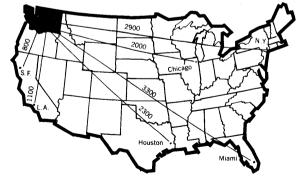
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