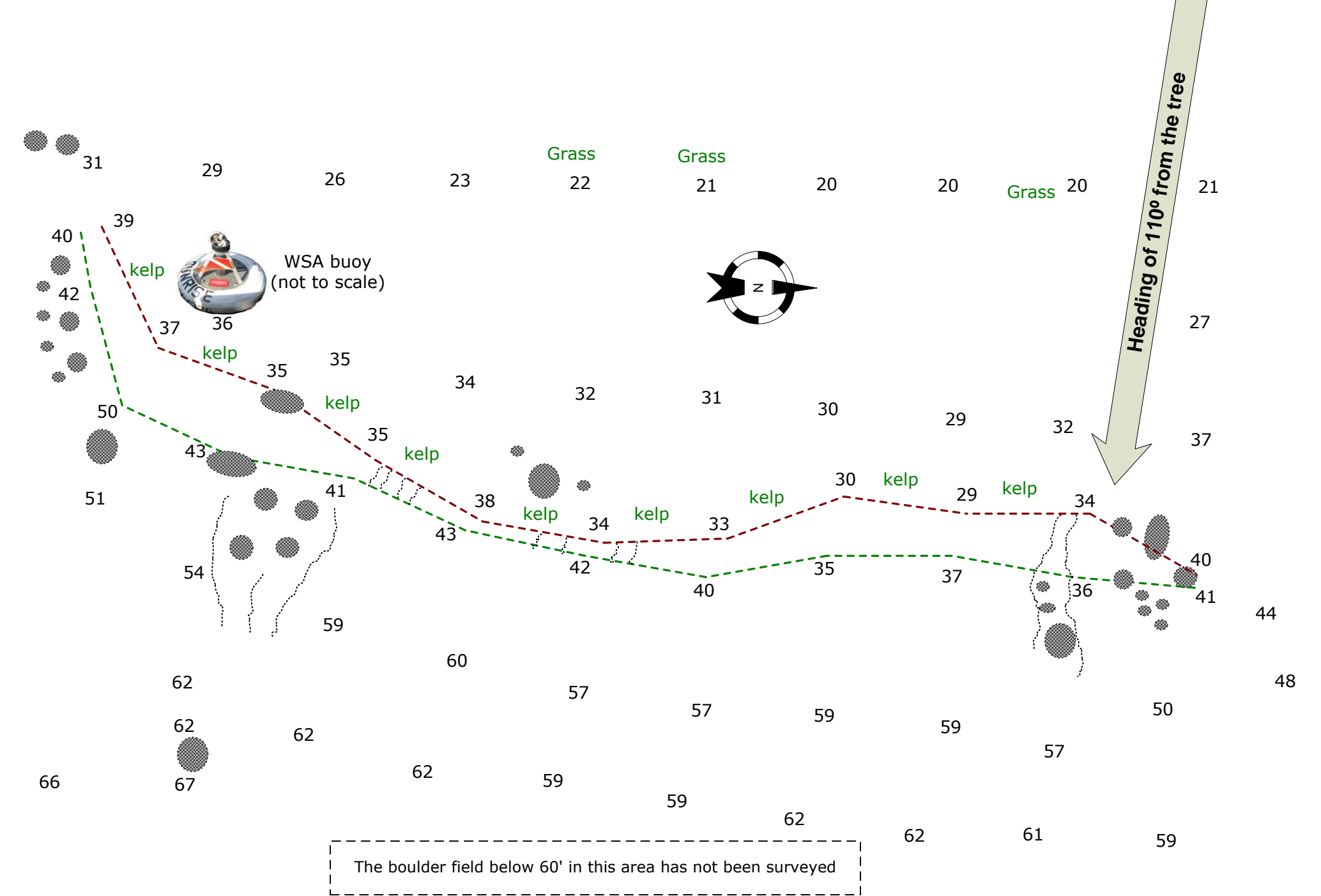


Sunrise beach park (Gig Harbor, WA)



Site notes:

From the beach entrance, walk S towards the houses until you reach the private beach sign. Continue heading S in the water below the tide line until you reach the lone tree shown on the picture. The site is approximately 200' in length, situated between the tree and the house shown on the picture; the WSA buoy is anchored above the south end of the wall.

Submerge at the tree and take a 110° heading. If you get to 60' without crossing the wall, you've missed it.

When you find the wall, start your tour heading S at around 60' (assuming median tidal depth) and find the critters below and around the boulders. As you reach the end of the site, ascend, turn around, and repeat in the other direction. You may make a few shallower N-S passes as able or until the current picks up at all. Conclude your dive at the N end of the wall, head NW and do your safety stop while riding the prevailing northerly current back to the beach entrance.

Current notes:

Currents at this site can be extremely hazardous, with a risk of injury or death. Do not rely only on current predictions, should you witness any current picking up, immediately exit the water.

The best time to dive this site is after max flood current during a small exchange. You may use the Gig Harbor entrance current prediction or the Tacoma Narrows current station. Note that tide tables will NOT give you an accurate prediction.

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Initial survey done in 2003
*Depths in feet Adjusted to Median Tidal Depth

5ft 5ft
Boulder
--- Top of wall
--- Bottom of wall