

# ALL ABOUT DAYLIGHTING & RESTORING STREAMS

APRIL 14TH | 12PM | VIRTUAL EVENT

## Agenda

### 12:00 - 12:10 Introduction

12:10 - 12:25 Fuller Brook Restoration

- 12:25 12:40 Fernald Site Restoration
- 12:40 12:45 CRWA Initiatives
- 12:45 1:00 Questions\* & Answers

\*Please type your questions in the Chat, and we will go through them at the end!





### Land Acknowledgement







We protect, restore, and enhance the Charles River and its watershed through **science**, **advocacy**, **and the law**.

We develop science-based strategies to **increase resilience**, **protect public health, and promote environmental equity** as we confront a changing climate.

**Program Areas:** 

- Climate Resilience
- River Science

- River Restoration
- Stormwater Solutions
- Education & Outreach



### **Charles River Watershed Association**





#### **CRWA** takes a watershed-scale view

- Charles River is 80 miles long
- 35 towns in watershed
- Over 1 million residents
- 20 dams
- 308 mi<sup>2</sup> watershed

## Speakers





### Brandon Schmitt Town of Wellesley



#### Bill Doyle, PE Waltham Conservation Commission

### **Fuller Brook Restoration**



### Fuller Brook Meadow in Bloom

### Fernald Site Restoration



**Restored Landscape at Fernald** 

## **CRWA Stream Restoration Initiatives**



**Canterbury Brook, 1893** 

**Cheesecake Brook, 1892** 

**Muddy River** 

**Charles River** 

## **Canterbury Brook**



- Only daylit portion of Stony Brook watershed
- Section of stream runs through Mass Audubon's Boston Nature Center (old Boston State Hospital site)
- Located in EJ neighborhood
- We will engage community & produce conceptual-level engineering designs for restoration



Canterbury Brook in Drought

**BNC Wetland** 

## Cheesecake Brook



Visioning process in 2020 Proposed:

- Bank Restoration
- Increased Sinuosity
- Bioretention
- Tributary Daylight
- Rock Vane at Charles Confluence
- Pedestrian & Traffic Improvements



#### **Rendering of Part of Restoration**

2023-2024 Goal: Incorporate parts of vision into City development & transportation plans

## **Muddy River**





#### Aerial of Muddy River Restoration Area

- Most polluted tributary in watershed
- Receiving water quality grades D- to C-
- Major restoration project by Army Corps in Emerald Necklace
- Water quality still impaired
- CRWA will lead a visioning process in Muddy River Watershed to improve water quality over next 50-100 years

### **Question & Answer**





#### Please submit questions through the chat, or raise your hand!

LEARN MORE > crwa.org/stream-restoration



## Stay Connected!



#### Email charles@crwa.org

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## BROOK PATH FULLER BROOK PARK TOWN OF WELLESLEY



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Brook Sub-Basin Source

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# OUTLINE

- × Project History
- × Project Goals
- × Trails, Pathway, Historic Features
- × Stream Restoration









BEFORE: Pre-construction view of Fuller Brook near Grove Street 1938 (NRC files)



# PROJECT FUNDING TIMELINE

#### History

- \* . Initiated in 2003, CPA funded 50K in 2003 for the Master Plan. Master Plan was completed in 2009.
- Cultural Landscape report was written and submitted for National Register of Historic Places.
- \* Park Design was funded by the CPA in 2010 ATM. FBP Coordinating Committee formed, preliminary design was finished in Jan. 2011.
- Demonstration path completed in 2011 with \$23,000 from CPA.
- Final design/permitting \$665,000 in CPA funds. Appropriated at 2011 STM
- × Final design and permitting was completed in 2013.
- \* Addition of State St pond dredging, \$35,000 in CPA funds approved in 2013 STM

#### **Construction and Project Management**

- × 2014 ATM appropriates \$5,470,205 for construction and hires Peter Jackson as the project manager.
- \* Began in Summer 2014, completed 2017.

#### **Post Construction**

\$550,000 for 1-5 years, including \$15,000 per year for invasive species management.

# PROJECT GOALS

Improve the Pathway

Improve Vegetation

Maintain Historic Features

Improve Drainage and Streamcourse

## TRAILS IMPROVEMENTS

 Improve the Trails: path below water table/surrounding land, erosion, poor drainage, accessibility problems (grades and curb cuts) or no curbs, undefined edges, unmarked street crossings and inauspicious entries, and variable path widths and locations. Bridge repair.



Existing narrow beaten footpath along the chain-link fence and fir hedge bordering the football field in Segment 3.

















# **VEGETATION MANAGEMENT**

 Improve Vegetation: Invasive Control (Japanese Knotweed, Norway Maple, Bittersweet) Ailing or Injured Trees

Plant New Native Species
















## STREAM RESTORATION

 Improve Stream course: Invasive Plants, Erosion control and bank stabilization, derelict Stream liner removal and sediment removal









#### UPPER CAROLINE BROOK































## **BIO-RETENTION BASIN**









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	1	Botanical Name	Common Name	Size	Spacing
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- WV	VR	5 Ilex vedicillata 'Southern Gentleman'	Southern Gentleman Winterberry	#5	6' O.C.
m	V	11 Itea vinciala Winter Red	Winter Red Winterberry	#5	6' O.C.
V	0	1 Vanine	Virginia Sweetspire	#3	4' O.C.
VDB	M	Vibure dentatum	Arrowwood Vibumum	#7	5' O.C.
		vioumum dentatum 'Blue Muffin'	Blue Muffin Arrowwood Vibumum	#7	5' O.C.
-	-	Ground Cover/Grasses/Perennials			-
AH	8	Amsonia hubrichtii	Thread leaf Bluestar	#1	24" 0 C
ANA	66	Aster novae-angliae	New England Actor	#1	19" 0.0
AFF	66	Athyrium filix-femina	Common Ladudare	#1	10 0.0
CLC	277	Carex laxiculmis	Spreading Sedan	#1	18 0.0
CPL	226	Carex platyphylla	Silver Sedan	plugs	18" O.C
CL	136	Chasmanthium latifolium	Indian Woodcate	plugs	18" O.C
DCG	118	Deschampsia cespitosa 'Cokteu'	Goldtau Tufted Main O	#1	30" O.C
HADS	216	Heuchera americana Dele's Strain'	Dale's State Coast D. II	#1	24" 0.0
Lintes	04	Heuchera macmitica 'Autumo Bride'	Autora Bells	plugs	18" 0.0
HMAB	01	neucrora macromiza Automin Dide	Autumn Bride Coral Bells	plugs	18" 0.0
NE	175	Ins versicolor	Blue Flag	#1	24" 0 0
Æ	208	Juncus etfusus	Soft Rush	#1	18" 0.0
LC	208	Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower	#1	10" 0.0
PD	208	Penstemon digitalis	Beardtongue	#1	10 0.0
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SEE TYPICAL PERMANENT SABRIC INSTALLATION DE T FOR FABRIC INSTALLATION

3 2 THINK

NOTES: 1. CUT THE FAE ROOTBALL 2. FOLD FABRIN 3. DIG THE HOL 4. AFTER PLAN TO SECURE

## STATE STREET POND DREDGING



STATE STREET POND







Questions?





### **×Brandon Schmitt**

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# Fernald Stream Restoration

### Charles River Watershed Association April 14, 2023

Founding president of C1.0 Engineering & Development, more than thirty years' experience in land planning, construction, and civil engineering with emphasis on site and utility design, onsite wastewater treatment, construction administration and innovative and alternative stormwater management. Bill has provided planning, permitting, engineering design and consulting services for large- and small-scale development and infrastructure-related improvements throughout the United States and over seas.

Bill specializes in providing sustainable site design and consulting, stormwater master planning, utility design, and environmental permitting for commercial, institutional and residential projects. Bill has a long history of practical construction experience and is a Registered Professional Engineer in Massachusetts, and Maine. Bill is a LEED Accredited Professional. Bill is passionate about community involvement and has, among other boards, commissions and groups; been a Waltham Conservation Commissioner for over 18 years.

### Bill Doyle, PE



# The Property

- 200 acres
- State owned mental health hospital
- Drains to Beaver Brook
- Contiguous to Waltham open space
- Contiguous to Bentley and Girl Scouts
- Wooded, lawn, roads and buildings

My career as a consulting engineer, working with DCAM over the years in decommissioning hospitals across the state



## What we know

- Infrastructure information
- Wetlands and Rivers
- Flooding in eastern Waltham / Beaver Brook
- Lots of buildings and lots of open space
- State operated and maintained
- Contaminants
- CPA dollars and City dollars



## The Ideas

- Parks, housing, municipal offices, recreation, farming, cemetery....
- Master planning
- Natural recourses
- Water quality
- Flood mitigation
- Conservation
- Connectivity
- Amenity
- Outreach
- Stream

https://fernaldworkinggroup.org

#### Fernald Center (Waltham, MA) Fernald Working Group Vision proposed uses by sector



## Start

- Build history
- Discontinue utilities
- Demolish buildings
- Clean up land
- What do we build..... ....consensus!




#### Consensus



#### WALTER E. FERNALD DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER WETLANDS RESTORATION & STREAM DAYLIGHTING NOTICE OF INTENT FILING

#### WALTHAM, MA



MAYOR JEANNETTE A. MCCARTHY <u>CITY ENGINEER</u> STEPHEN A CASAZZA, P.E.



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LIST OF DRAWINGS

EXISTING CONDITIONS PLAN LAYOUT PLAN I

LAYOUT PLAN

PLANTING SCHEDU

TREAM PROFILE

CROSS SECTIONS CROSS SECTIONS

DETAILS DETAILS

FOR PERMITTING PURPOSES ONLY

Fernald Stream Restoration - CRWA

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