Trillium Site Stream Corridor Restoration Project

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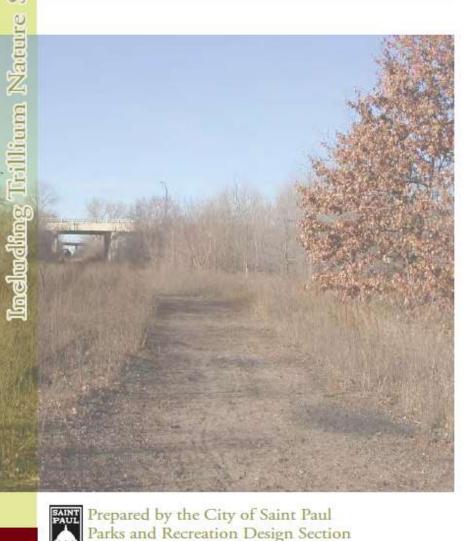
Presentation Summary

- Background/History
- Project Constraints/Opportunities
- Water Source Analysis
- Stream Design and Design Criteria

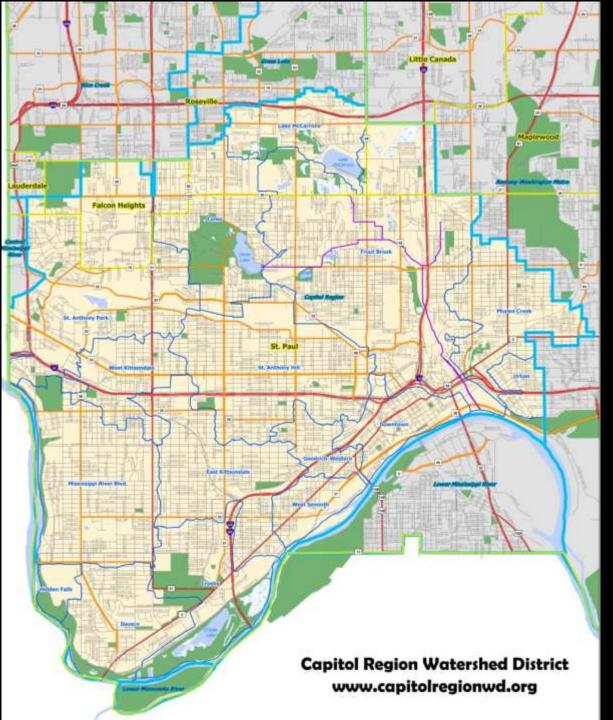
MASTER PLAN

October 2009

- St. Paul
 - Project History
 - ProjectPlanning
 - ConceptualDesign





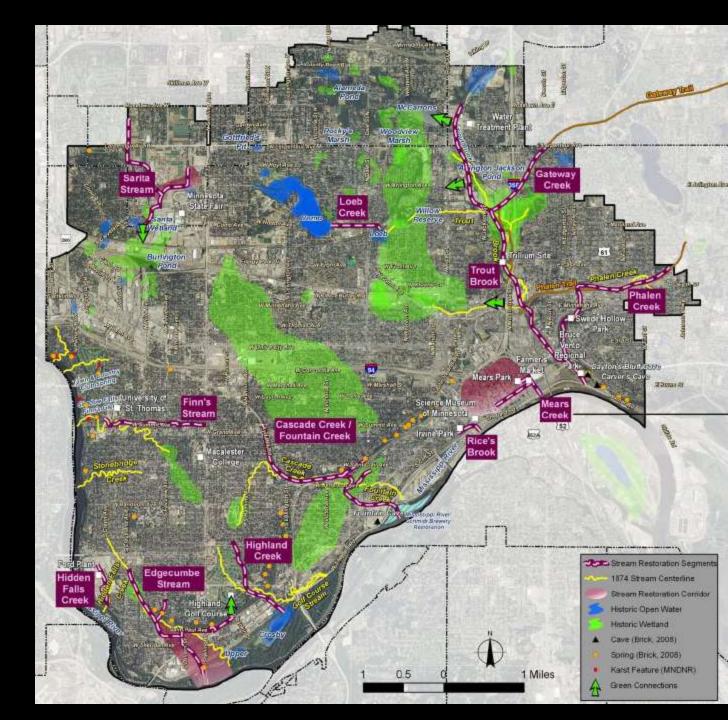


- Capitol Region WD
 - 250,000 people
 - Special unit of local government
 - Protect and improve the Lakes and Mississippi River



Bring Water Back To St. Paul

CRWD Stream Corridor Restoration Plan, 2010





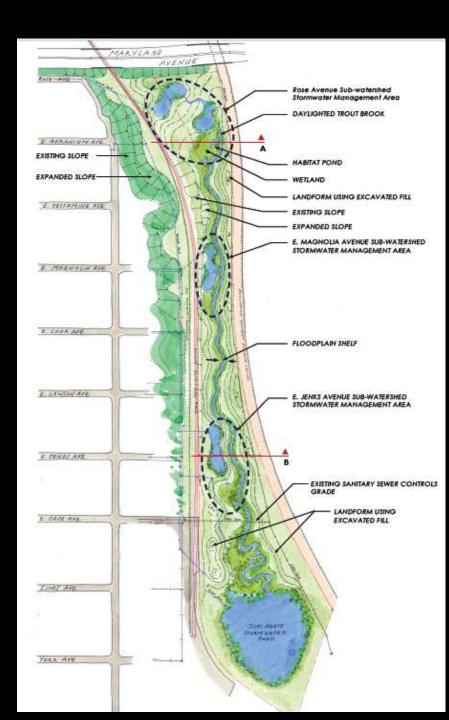


Trout Brook

- 1800s-6-12' channel
- 1880s—1920s- 8-20'storm tunnel

Overview

- Feasibility Study
 - Design Criteria development
 - Preferred Sources of Water
 - Water FeatureSizing/Siting
- InterFluve and HR Green



Design Process

- Kickoff April 2011
- 15 meetings of stakeholders
 - Met Council, MNDOT, Ramsey County, Neighborhood Groups, MPCA, City of St. Paul
- Finalize Preliminary Design March 2012





Site Constraints

- Existing Topography
- Soil Contamination
- Railroad
- Existing Utilities
- Upstream/Downstream Connectivity











Water Sources Analyzed



Proposed Baseflow Source



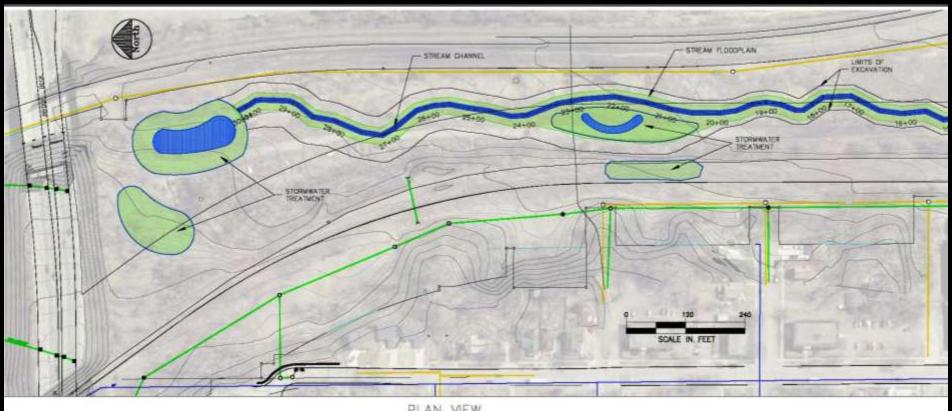
- Continuous flow
- Good water quality during low flow
- Low maintenance

Proposed Stormwater Source

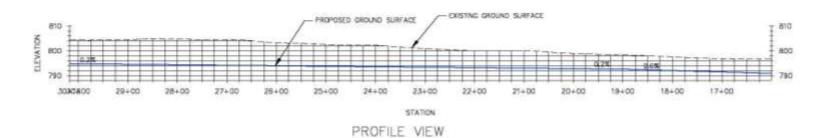


- Higher stream flow during wet seasons
- Better water quality during storm flows
- Treatment of stormwater

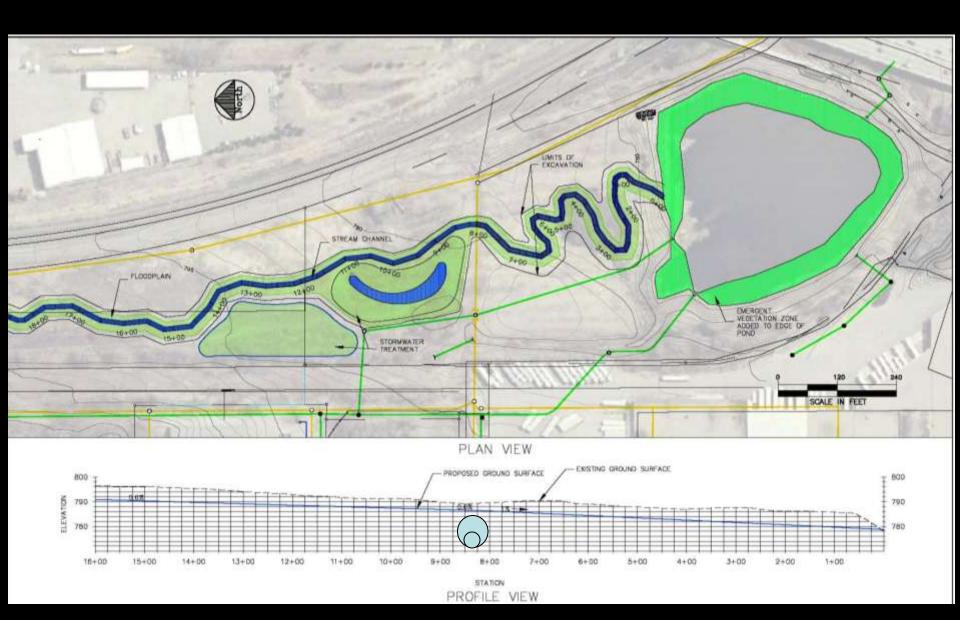
Site Plan and Profile



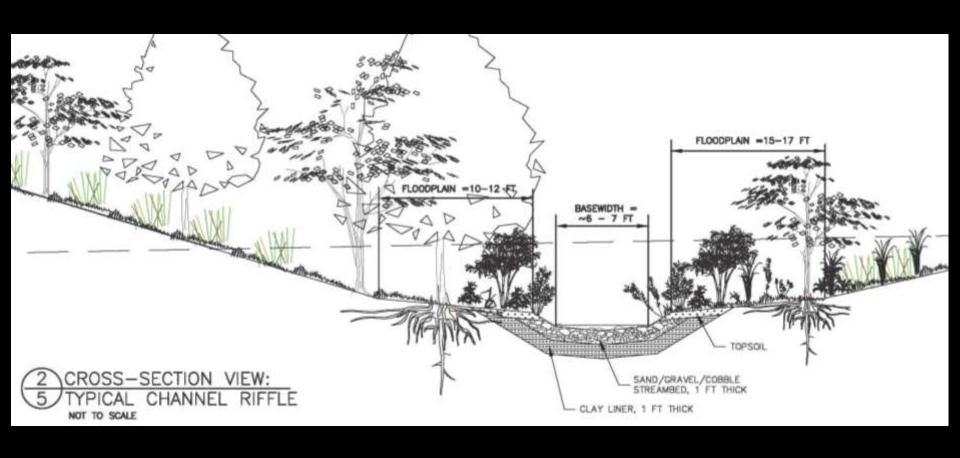
PLAN VIEW



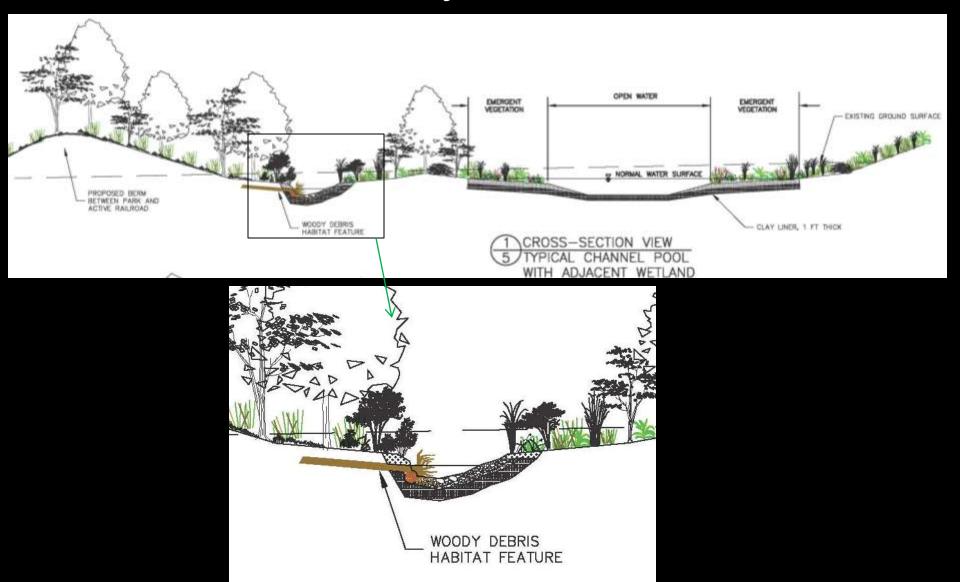
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Stream Geometry - Cross Section

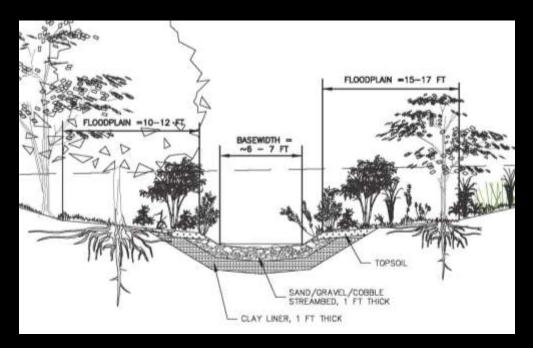


Stream Geometry - Cross Section



Design Criteria Stream Ecology

- Natural Aesthetic and Function
 - Geometry (1.1)
 - Hydrology (1.2)
- Supports aquatic life
 - Good water quality (2.1)
 - Aquatic community potential defined (2.2)
- Consistent with vision for expansion
 - Geometry (3.1)
 - Flow capacity (3.2)







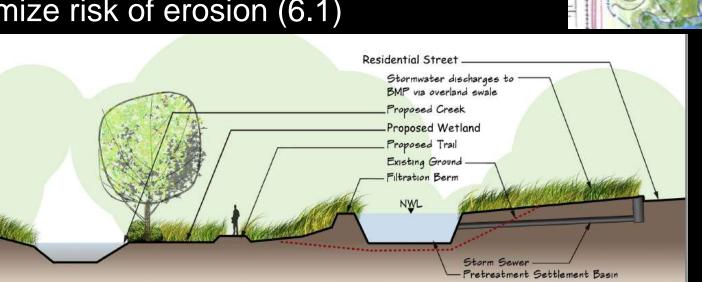






Design Criteria Stormwater Management

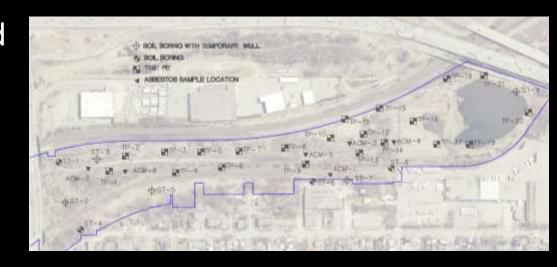
- Treat stormwater from neighborhood (4.1)
- Utilize stormwater as water source for stream (5.1)
- Maintain existing storm sewers to convey large flows (5.2)
- Minimize risk of erosion (6.1)

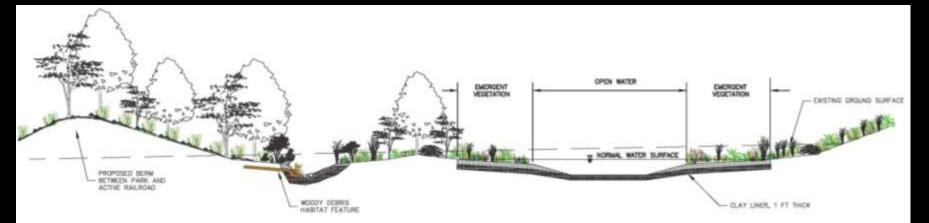




Design Criteria Wetland and Upland Ecology

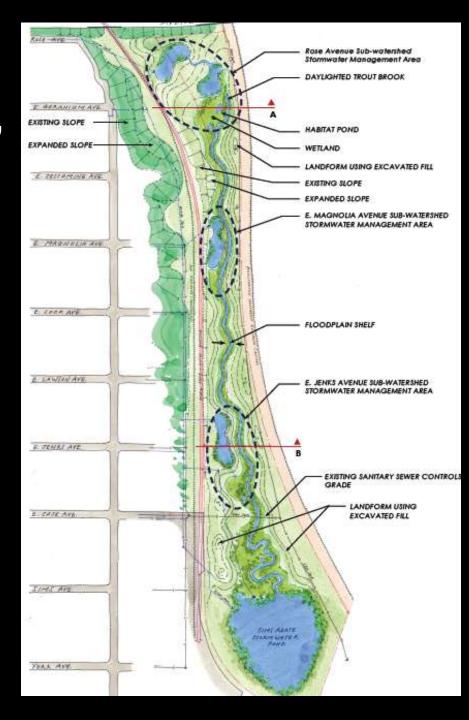
- Diversity vegetation communities and fish and wildlife (7.1)
- Compatible with soil remediation (8.1)
- Vegetation communities compatible with vision for long term expansion (9.1)





Design Criteria Education, Recreation, and Aesthetics

- Bike path (10.1)
- Viewscapes (11.1)
- Screen railroad (11.2)
- Access to water features (12.1)
- Minimize mosquitoes
 - Maximize duration of flowing water (13.1)
 - Provide suitable habitat for mosquito predators (13.2)



Site Plan and Profile



Design Criteria Operations and Maintenance, General

- O&M included in alternatives analysis (14.1)
- Access suitable for maintenance (15.1)
- Model for multi-partner cooperation (16.1)
- MPCA regulatory implications of new stream documented (17.1)



Costs

Trillium Site Feasibility Study

30% Design Level Costs

			Annual
Description	Capital Cost	Easement Cost	O&M
Gravity Drain from Arlington Jackson	\$950,000	\$320,000	\$11,000
Stream Construction	\$460,000	-	-
Stormwater Management	\$340,000	_	\$7,500
TOTAL	\$1,750,000	\$320,000	\$18,500

^{**} Does not include engineering or items associated with park development, such as erosion control, clearing, planting, costs associated with contaminated sediment, etc.

Construction Schedule

7. Schedule

The preliminary schedule for completing design and construction of the Trillium Nature Sanctuary site is as follows:

Begin final analysis and design February 2012

Submit 60% plans for permitting September 2012

Complete final construction documents December 2012

Construction bidding January 2013

Award construction contract February 2013

Begin construction April 2013

Questions?

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