

# Sugar Creek Restoration Project



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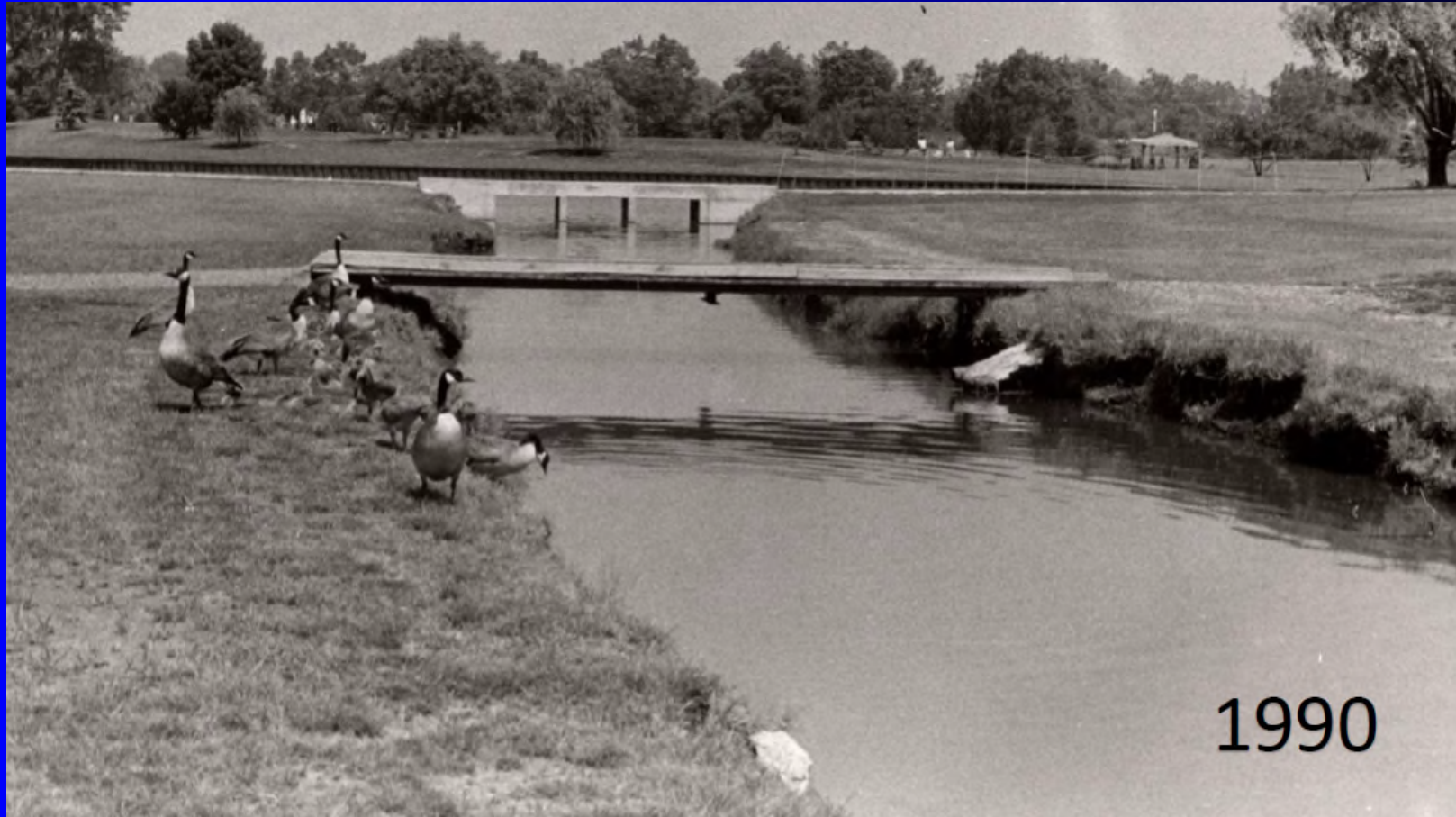
- Eco-Engineers, Hydrologists, Ecologists
- Stream, Lake & Wetland Restoration
- 17 Project Awards (Local, State, National and International)
- Grant Acquisition Services
- Environmentally Sound Solutions



# Outline

- Past Pond Conditions
- Existing Impacts
- Sugar Creek Restoration - Concept Plan
- Example Future Conditions
- Options for Grant Funding

# 1990 Shoreline Erosion



- Early Shoreline Erosion (1990)
- Pond Built in 1975



# Sheet Pile Installed 1992



# Sheet Pile (2700 Linear Feet of Shore)





## 2005: Sheet Pile Heaving



- Sheet Pile Heaving
- 2700 Linear Feet

# 2015: Some Sheet Pile Failure



- Holes # 1 and # 2 (300+ Linear Feet)
- Rusting and Corrosion



# 2010: Algae Blooms



2010

- Algae Blooms
- Aesthetic Impacts

# 2013: Silt Impacts



August 2013

- Exposed Mud Flats (2013)



# Shallow Water Depths (2011) (Water Level Lowered 0.7 Foot)



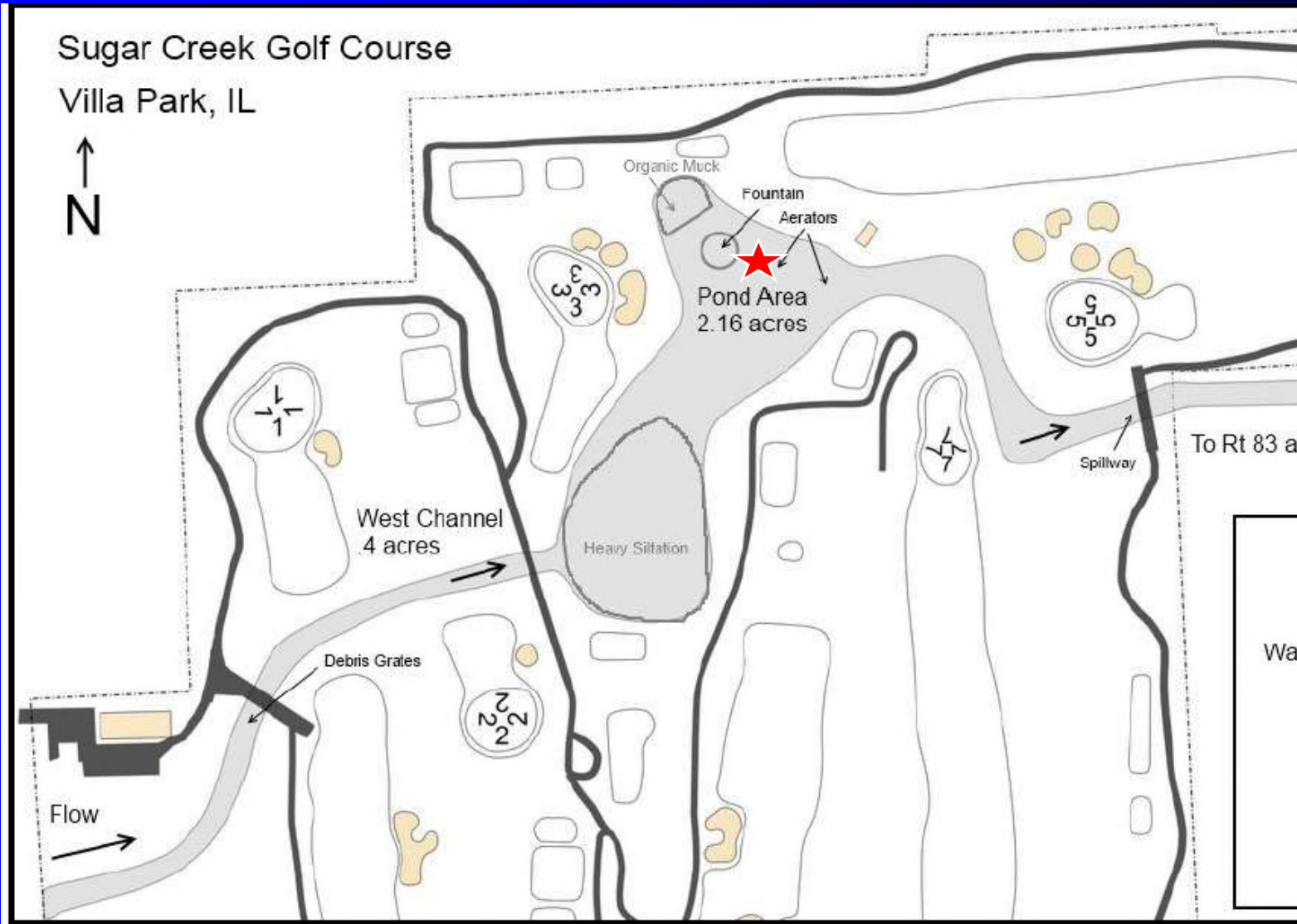
- Loss of Water Irrigation Volume (2011)



# 2017: Exposed Mud Flats



- Expansion of Mud Flats (2017)



- Fountains / Aerators Installed
- But Algae and Silt Impacts Continue

# Future Options

- Sheet Pile Repair?
- Dredging?
- Costly & Temporary.
- (Sediment Must Pass IEPA Standards. If Standards Not Met, Dredging Is Exorbitantly Expensive.)
- Versus Environmentally Sound Solutions
- Long-Term
- Cost-Effective
- Possible Grant Funding (Environmentally Sound Solutions)



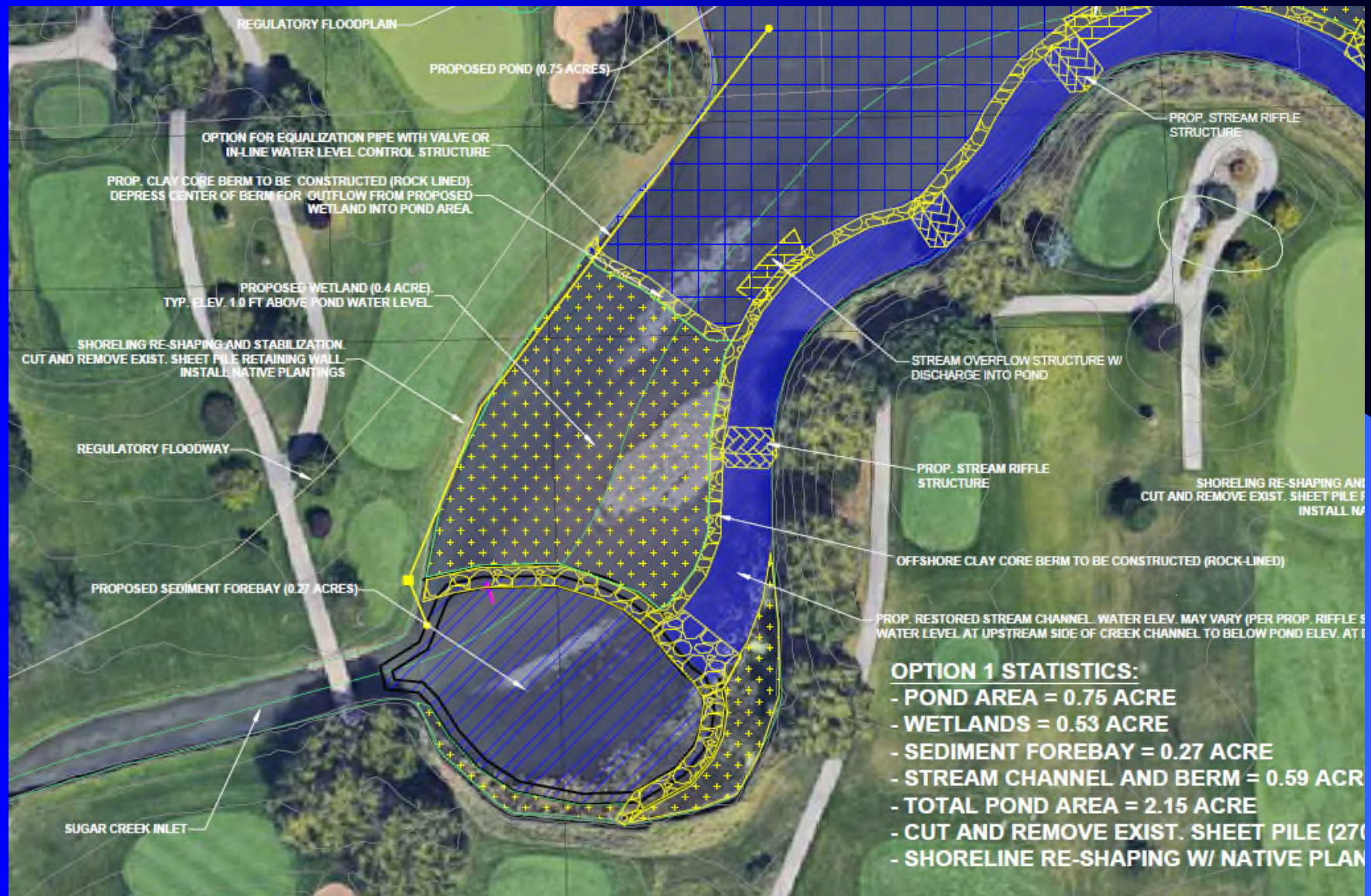


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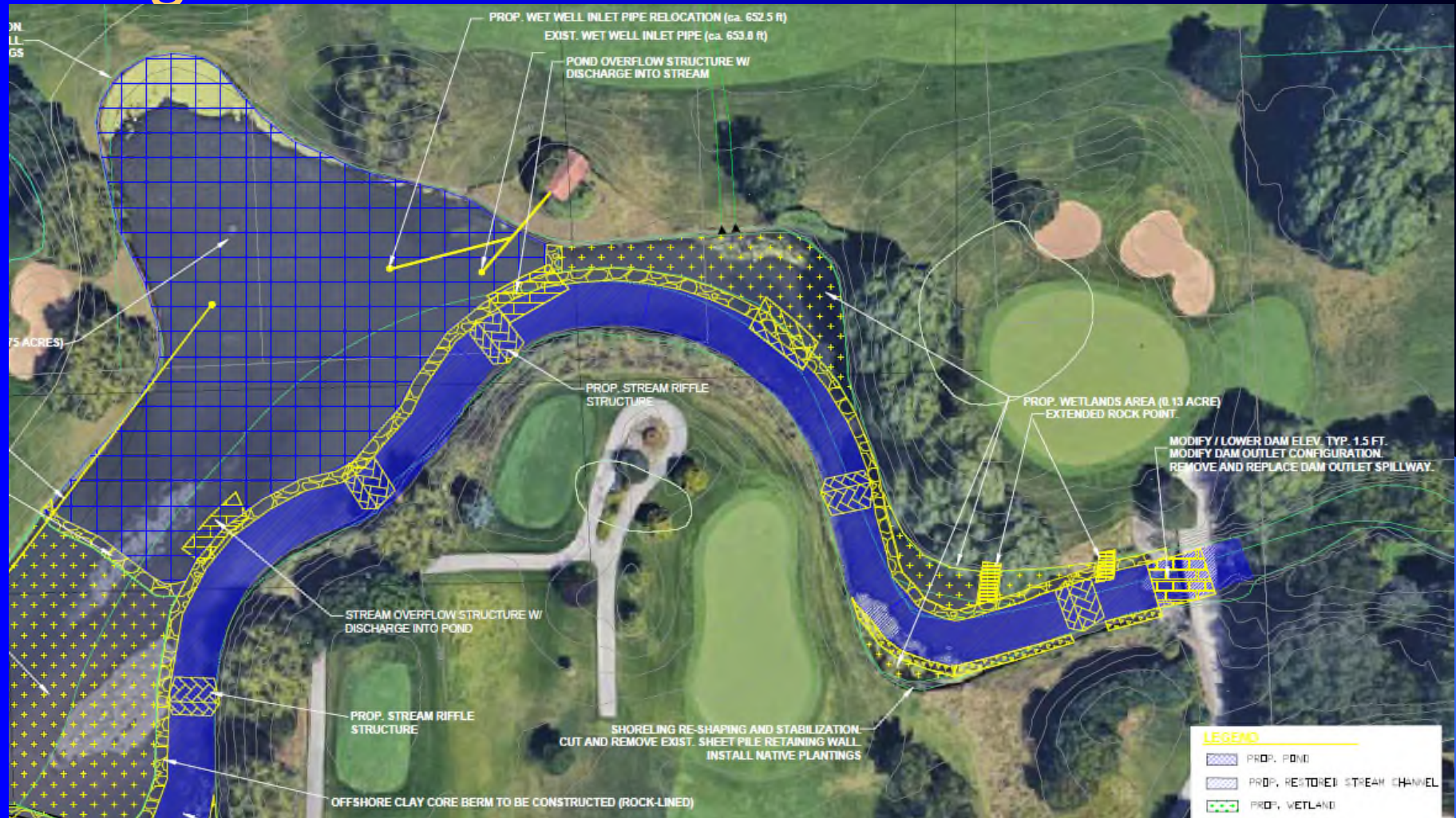


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# Before: Aesthetic & Safety Impairment, Debris Jams, Poor Water Quality, Erosion



# Bank Stabilization, Trail Aesthetics





# Before – Partially Vegetated



- Partially Vegetated Sediment Deposits
- Carp Habitat / Carp Population
- Water Quality Impacts
- Odors
- Dying Mussels

# After - Wetlands



- Narrow Channel
- Floodplain Connectivity
- Water Quality Filtration
- Wildlife Diversity
- Less Carp Habitat
- Sediment Stabilization

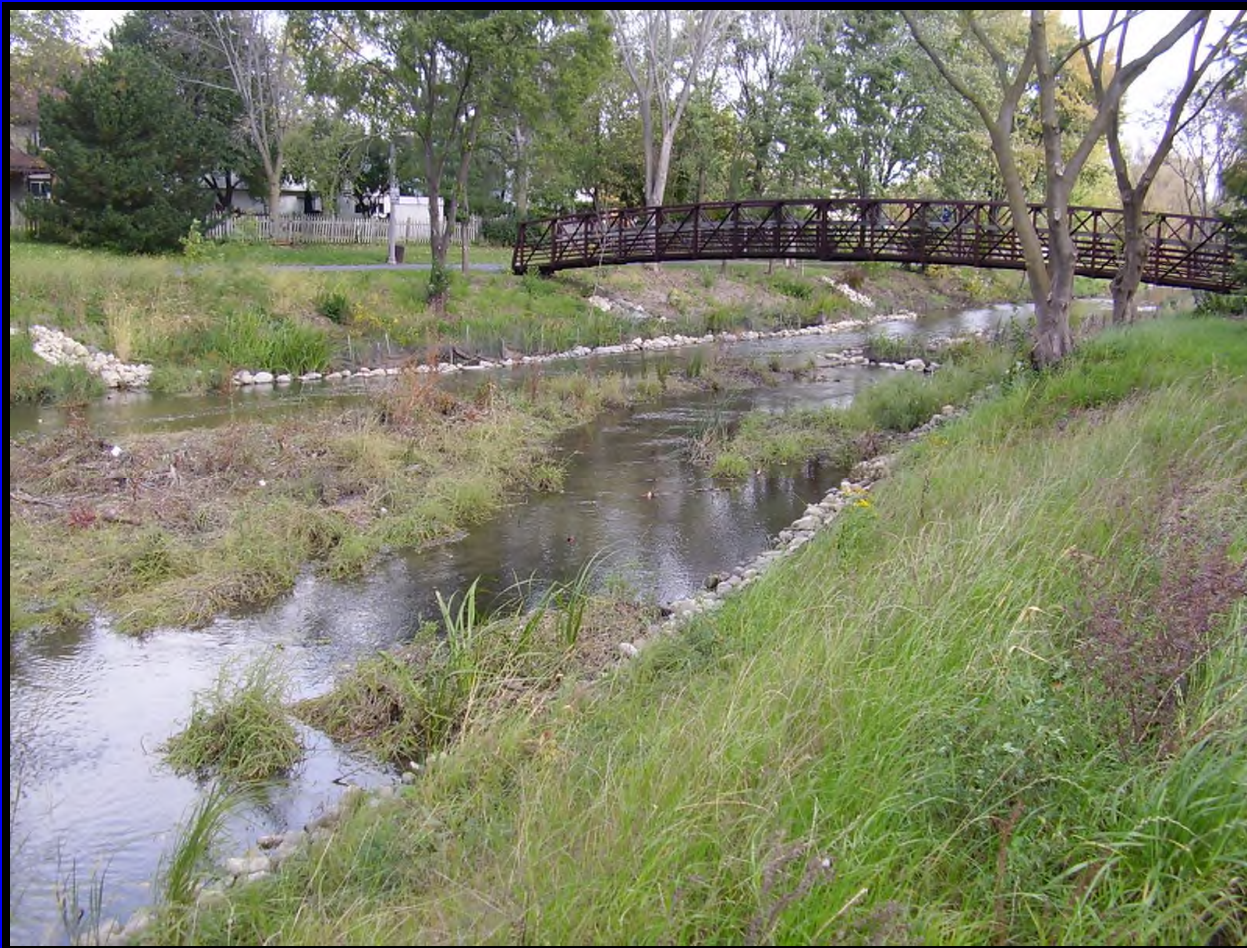


# Wetlands: Off-Bank Rock Toe





# County Stormwater Community of the Year





# Detention Basin Naturalization



## Project Team

- Living Waters Consultants, and Bedrock Earthscapes

# Silt Impacts





# Construction & Stabilization



# Post Construction Channel





# Year 1 Native Plant Growth



# Restoration (Bedrock Base)





# Wetland Habitat



# Rock Riffle Structures - Examples





# Dam Modification Project



# Before: Mud Flats, Flooding, Poor Water Quality, Carp





**After:** Fish migration, mussel survival, lower water levels, better water quality, sediment control, aesthetics, reduced odors, flood storage.





# Prairie / Wetland Streambanks



-Rock  
Points

- Off-Bank  
Rock Toe



# Off-Bank Rock Toe / Wetland





# After: Fish Species Increased 55%





## Federal Grant Funding:

- Illinois EPA - Section 319 (60% Grant)
- Illinois Clean Energy
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Grants



## Local Grant Funding:

- DuPage County WQIP Grant
- Soil & Water Conservation District SSRP





# Natural Stream Channel Benefits

- Recreational Enhancement
- Alternative to Dredging
- Aesthetic Benefits
- Grant Funding Opportunities
- Water Quality
- Protects Property Value
- Protects Pond Irrigation Volume
- Reduced Flooding
- Shoreline Stability Increases Over Time
- Habitat Restoration
- Wildlife Diversity
- Reduced Sediment Maintenance

# Questions?



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