Swauk Creek Riparian and Floodplain Restoration Project

Administered by the Yakama Nation - YKFP

DOE Grant	\$249,573
NWCPUD Grant (Northern Wasco County Peoples Utility District) McNary Mitigation Fund	\$206,000
Yakama Nation & Kittitas Conservation Trust (BPA\$):	\$285,000

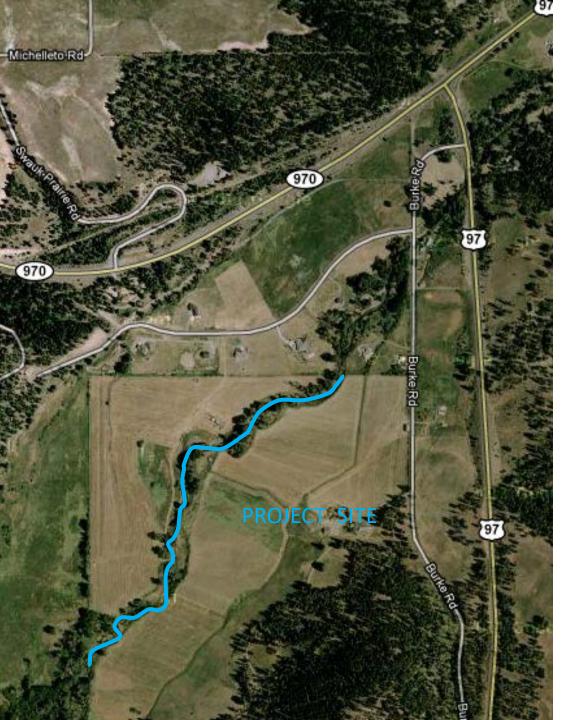
Final Total Project Cost:

\$740,573

DOE Project Start Date: January 19, 2010; End Date: July 31, 2013

Actual Construction: Late August to Early November





~ 20 miles north of Ellensburg at the base of Blewett Pass, the project occurs along ~0.8 mile of Swauk Creek.

- •Agricultural land
- Narrow Riparian zone
- Entrenched
- Lacks late-season flow
- •303D listed (temperature)
- •Owned by a developer

In 2006 the Kittitas Conservation Trust (KCT) received funding from DOE to analyze small storage potential to augment late-season flow by eliminating stream withdrawals.

Storage was cost prohibitive.

Floodplain interaction, bank storage/water depth, riparian shade/cover were considered better options.

Becca Wassell wrote a draft DOE "Clean Water" grant to initiate funding efforts for the project.

Objectives :

- Increase water depth/ gain more floodplain interaction
- More late-season flow -- cooler water
- Better habitat / riparian vegetation = more shade

Project Accomplishments:

- 6 Grade controls (step-pool structures)
- 5 Engineered log jams
- 7 Crib-habitat structures
- 4 Bank habitat structures
- 6 Buried rock weirs
- 6 Floodplain features

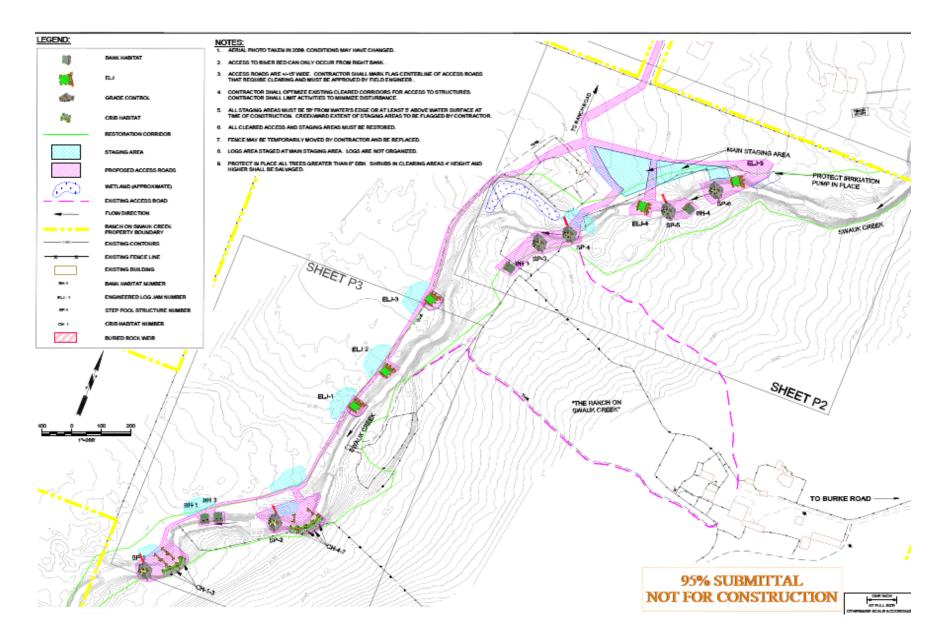
12,000 thousand native riparian plants were planted in an effort to achieve cooler water temperatures and better habitat for fish and wildlife species (0.8 mile project reach).

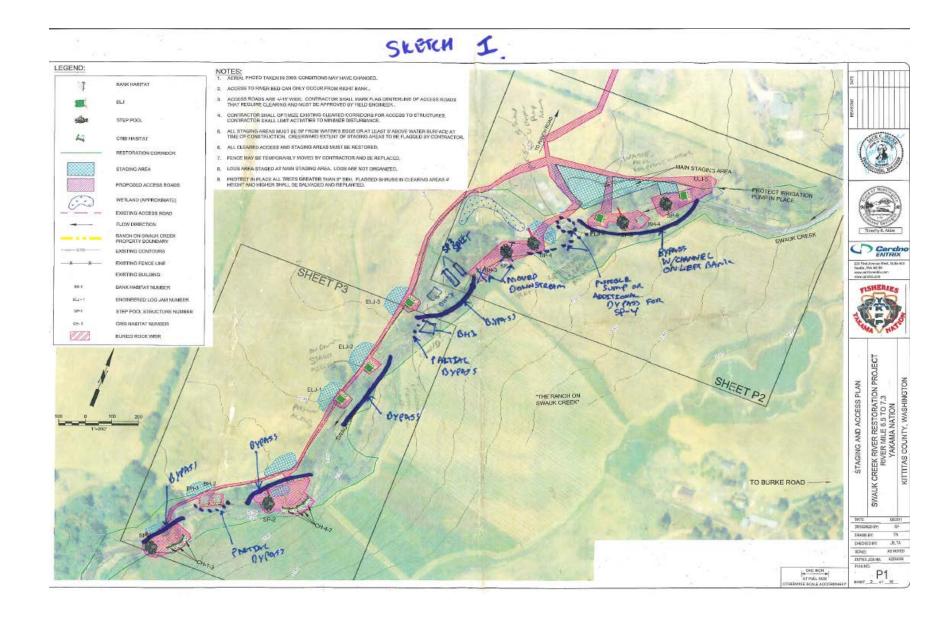


Step Pool Structure

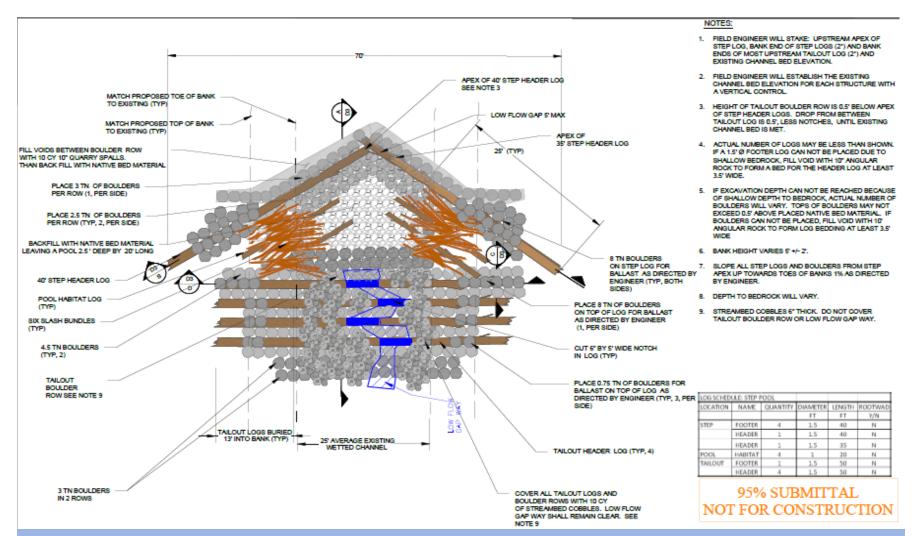


Engineered Logjam





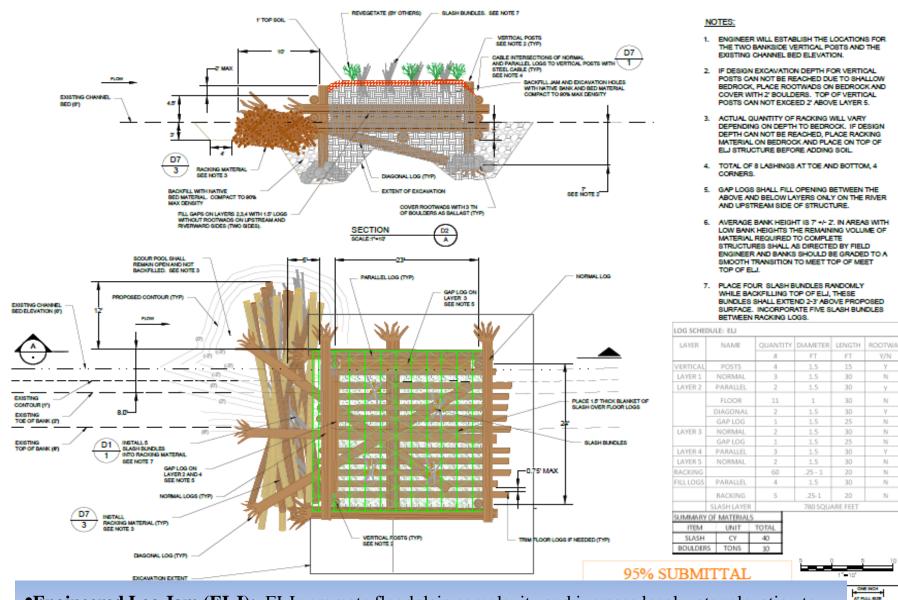




•<u>Step-Pool Structure</u> (SP): Each structure increased water depth by 1.5 ft. facilitating floodplain interaction (bank storage) while creating optimal conditions for the sorting of spawning gravels.







•<u>Engineered Log Jam</u> (ELJ): ELJs promote floodplain complexity and increase local water elevation to engage the floodplain more frequently.



View Downstream

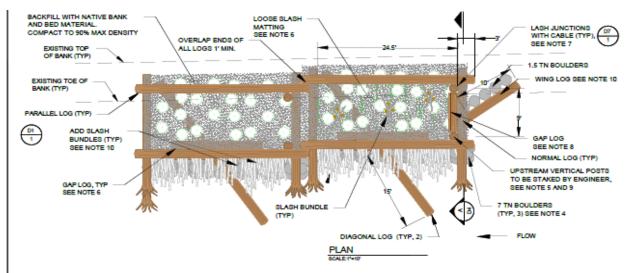
ELJ - 1

ELJ-2

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LAYER	NAME	QUANTITY	DEAMETER	LEN GTH	ROOTWAD
			FT	FT	V/W
TRAL	POSTS	2	15	12	Y
LAVER 1	PARALLEL	2	15	30	N
	WING	1	15	15	N
	GAP	1	15	15	N
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	DIAGONIAL	1	15	30	N
	GAP	1	15	15	54
	SLASH				
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	WINDOW	1	15	7	N
	GAP	1	1.5	15	84
LUVER 4	NORMAL	2	15	20	¥.
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CH 1-3 Staked By Eng

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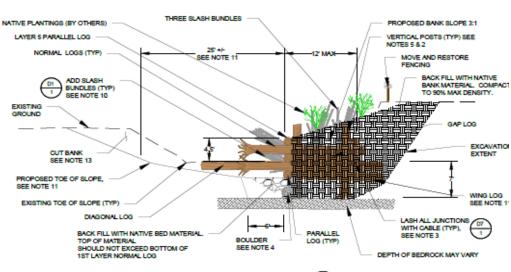
Existing CHANNELBERT Elevation at

SLASH

NOTES:

- PLAN VIEW SHOWS TWO CRIB HABITAT STRUCTURES. NUMBER OF STRUCTURES WILL VARY DEPENDING ON LOCATION.
- FIELD ENGINEER WILL STAKE LOCATIONS FOR UPSITEAM RIVERWARD VERTICAL POSTS FOR EACH STRUCTURE AND ESTABLISH DATUMS FOR THE EXISTING CHANNEL BED ELEVATION AT BOTH CRIB HABITAT LOCATIONS (SEE SHEETS D5 AND D6).
- ACTUAL NUMBER OF LOGS MAY VARY DUE TO SHALLOW BEDROCK. TOP OF LAYER 5 LOG MUST NOT EXCEED 4:5 ABOVE EXISTING CHANNEL BED. DIAGONAL LOG MUST BE INSTALLED IN STRUCTURE, PLACE ALL EXTRA LOGS ON BANK OR AS DIRECTED BY EXISINEER.
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- 6. INTERIOR OF CRIB HABITAT SHOULD BE LINED WITH 1.5' THICK SLASH MATTING AT LAYER 2.
- ALL JUNCTIONS OF NORMAL AND PARALLEL LOGS ON THE CREEK SIDE OF THE STRUCTURE SHOULD BE CABLED. IF VERTICAL LOG IS PRESENT AT JUNCTION, CABLE NORMAL AND PARALLEL LOGS TO IT. TOTAL OF 12 LASHINGS PER STRUCTURE.
- PLACE 21.5' Ø 7' GAP LOGS ON LAYERS 1 AND 3 ONLY ON THE UPSTREAM SIDE OF THE MOST UPSTREAM STRUCTURE IN SERIES. PLACE GAP LOGS IN GAPS ALONG RIVERSIDE ON LAYER 2 AND 4.
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- ON THE UPSTREAM SIDE OF THE MOST UPSTREAM STRUCTURE IN SERIES ADD WING LOG UNDERNEATH LAYER 1 AND ANGLE(30"+15") BACK INTO BANK. PLACE 1.5 TN BOULDERS ON BANKSIDE OF LOG AS DIRECTED BY ENGINEER.
- MAINTAIN EXISTING WETTED CHANNEL BOTTOM WIDTH FROM EDGE OF PROPOSED STRUCTURE TO RIGHT TOE OF BANK. SEE SHEETS D5 AND D6.
- 12. AVERAGE BANK HEIGHT IS 9'+/- 3'.
- 13. SEE SHEETS DS AND DS FOR EXCAVATION EXTENTS, FINAL GRADE AND BACKFILL SOURCE LOCATIONS. 95% SUBMITTAL

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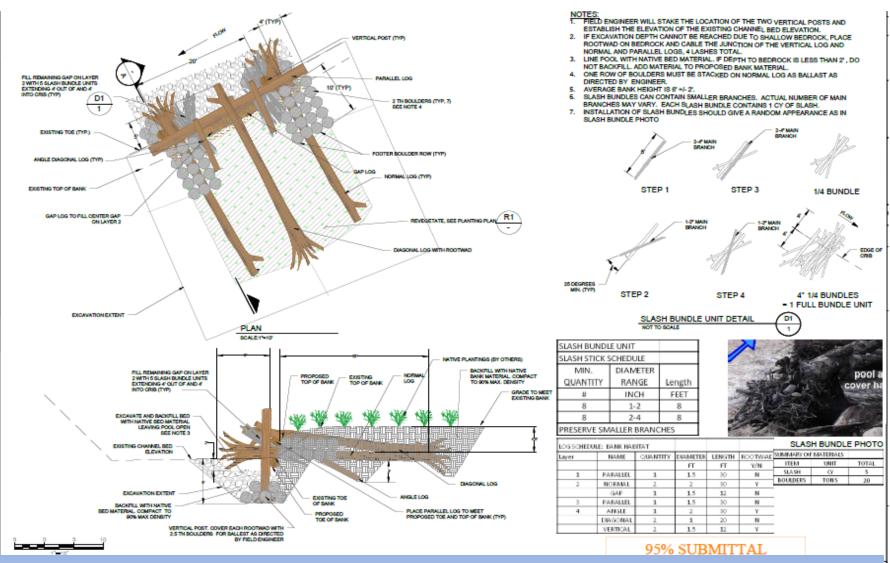
SECTION A-A

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•Crib Habitat Structure (CH): CH structures provide stream bank complexity and

habitat function along eroding banks.



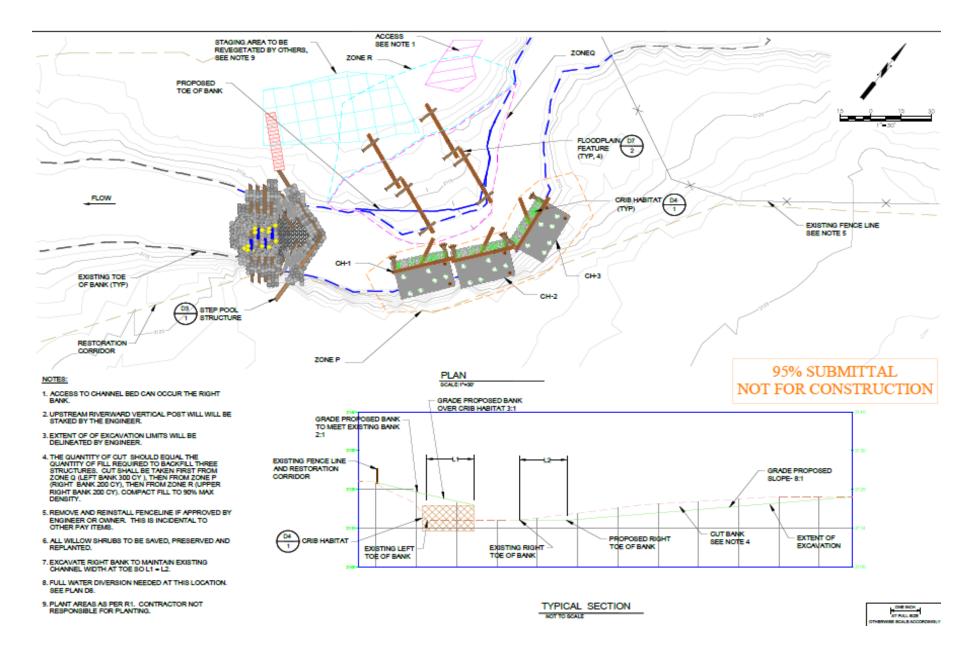


•**Bank Habitat Structure** (**BH**): BH structures create pools and shading which provide aquatic habitat while also preventing lateral erosion.



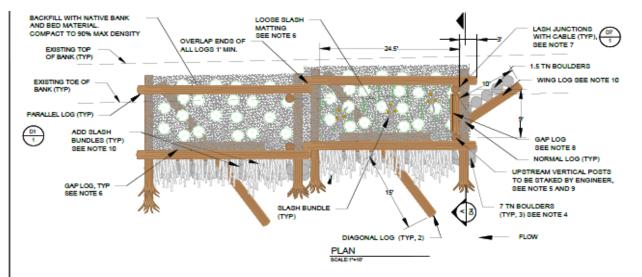
View: Upstream

BH - 3





•<u>Floodplain Feature</u> (log and rock weirs): Floodplain features are designed to reduce meander bypass and channel straitening.



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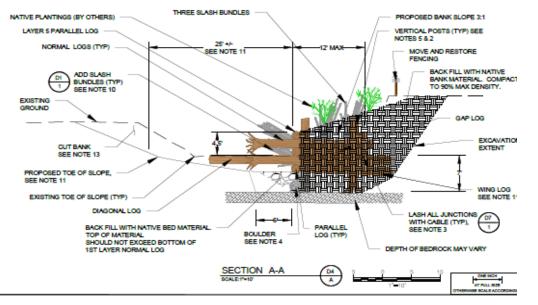
STRUCTURE ELEVATION TABLE

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View: Downstream

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SP – 1 (looking downstream)



View: Downstream





CH 4-7

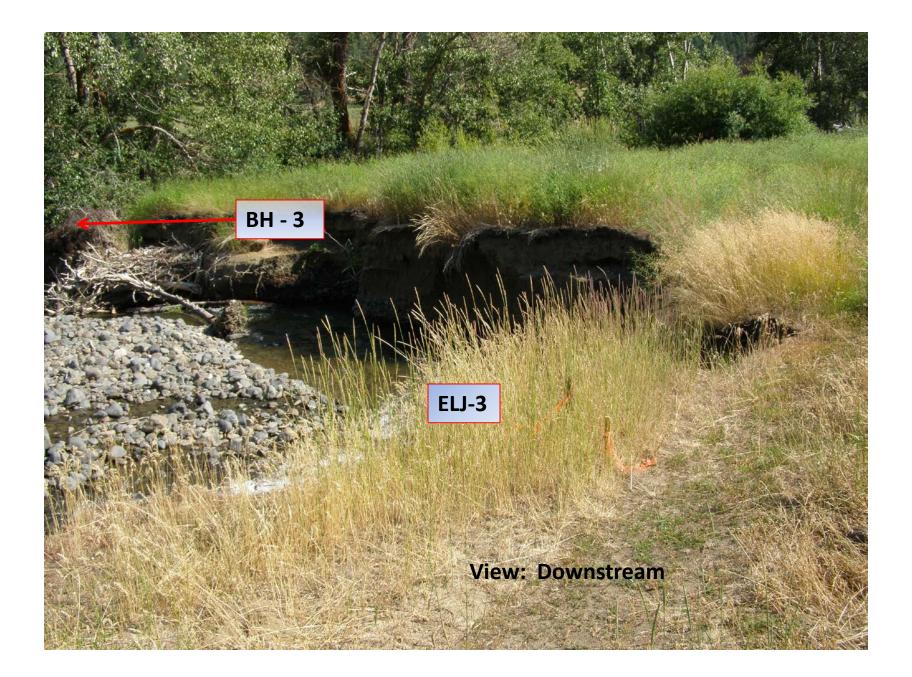
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CH 1-3

CH 4-7





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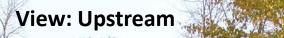
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View : Upstream ELLE SP - 6 IN .







Water Quality Improvements

The primary water quality issues addressed under this grant were:

(1) water temperature in general(2) lack of late season flow.

Lack of flow has the corollary effect of increasing water temperature by more rapid solar heating of both the shallow water and the exposed substrate material. Conversely, greater water depth translates to additional bank storage and more late-season flow – conditions which would decrease the heating effects noted above.

Both the step-pool structures and engineered log jams increase water depth and provide a degree of shade. All of the structures, including the crib habitat and bank habitat structures, provide scour pools in association with their exposed root wads – pools that provide shading at each structure. In addition, all structures and banks exposed during construction were planted to a variety of riparian trees and shrubs that will result in even greater shading in subsequent years.

There were no monitoring components included in the grant deliverables other than the percentage of plants remaining alive one year after planting. It was assumed, going into this project, that the actions undertaken with the grant funding would accomplish lower water temperatures; however, the lack of baseline data precluded an actual comparison of pre and post-project water temperatures.

The Next Step for Continued Success

Adequate watering of plants during the summer/fall of 2012 will be the most significant factor in the overall success of the project from here on. Aside from a viable watering regime, the occurrence of significant flooding may have as much to do with the success of some planted areas as anything else.

Lessons Learned

This project was somewhat larger in scope/scale than initially imagined. In retrospect, the project could have been broken into phases that were more manageable, particularly relative to upcoming plant maintenance during the summer and fall of 2012; however, contracting and budgeting were simplified by getting the project done quickly.

The greatest challenge will be figuring out an efficient way to keep the plantings alive during the hot weather of 2012.

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