Greenway Projects In River Road Neighborhood

Collaborations between city and neighbors

More than the Greenway

- * Community building,
- * Catalyze more initiatives

 Both in the Greenway and elsewhere in RR

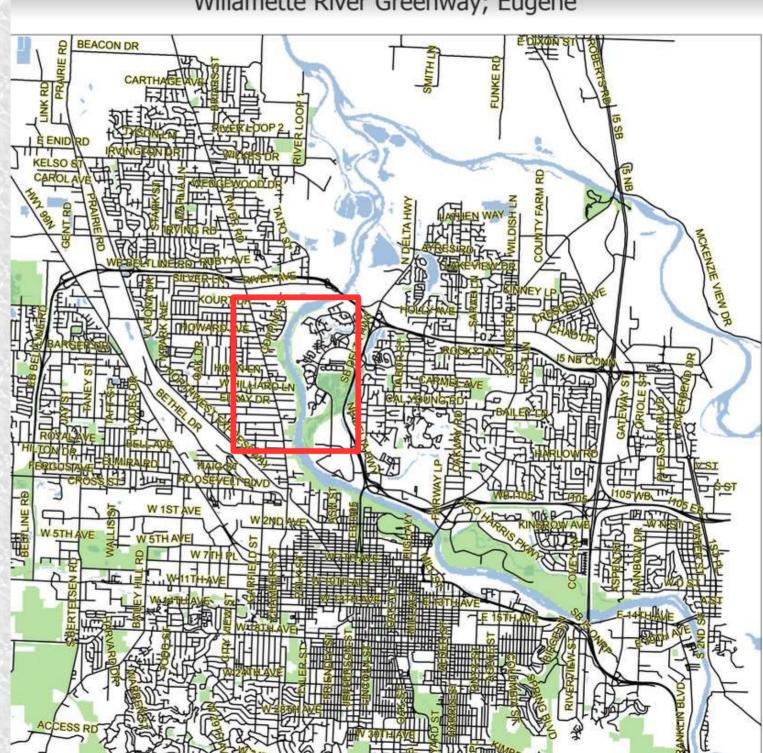
Relates to the RR/SC Neighborhood Plan

Creating a Green and Resilient River Road

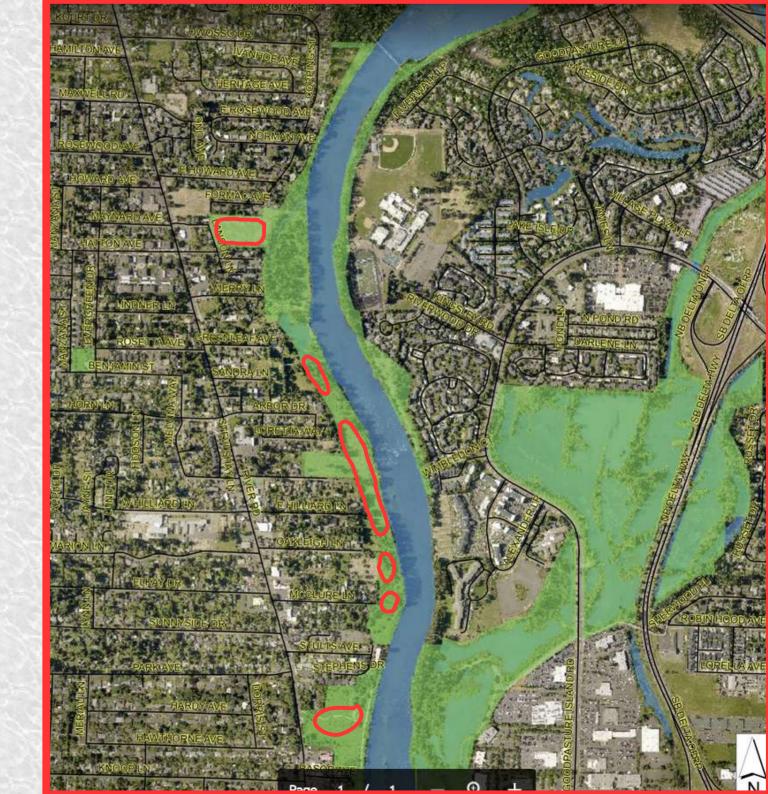
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Greenway in Eugene

River Road Greenway



Greenway in River Road Does not include across the river



INVASIVE REMOVAL



Himalayan Blackberry



English Ivy



English Hawthorn



Nipplewort



False Broom



Japanese Knotweed













Kelsey Irvine



Native Plant and Waterways Volunteer Coordinator





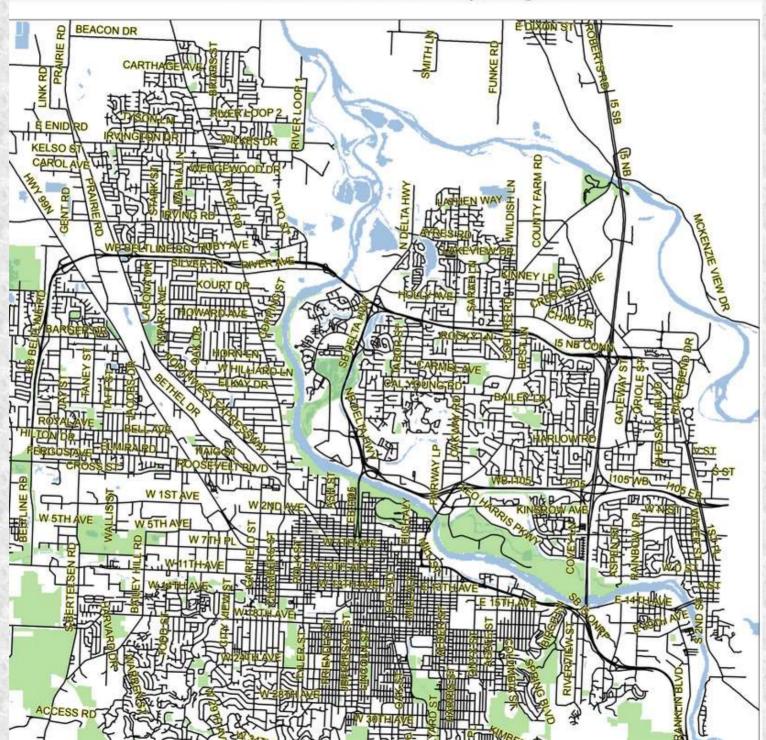




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Eugene Outdoors

Activating the power of parks.

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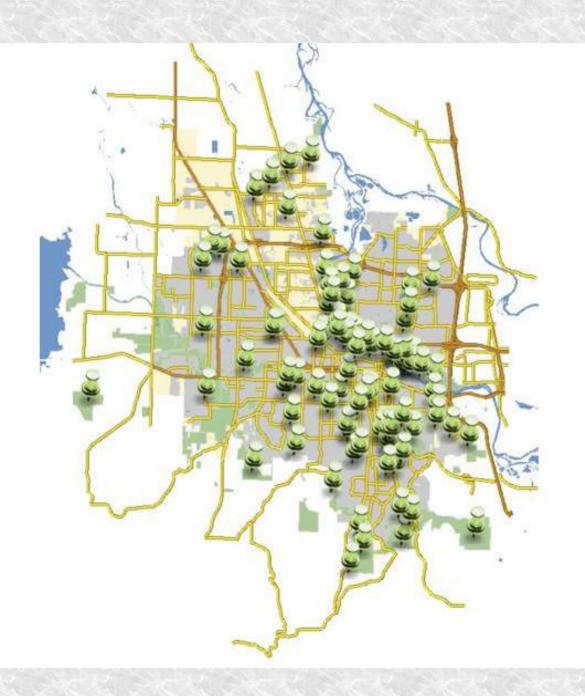
Eugene Outdoors volunteers contributed



throughout our parks and open space system.



*Hourly rate is valued at \$24.14 per hour per independent sector.org





105 Locations

North: 24

South: 47

West: 31

Citywide: 3

Waterways









species grown

50



seed produced

30 lbs.



plants to sites

4,000



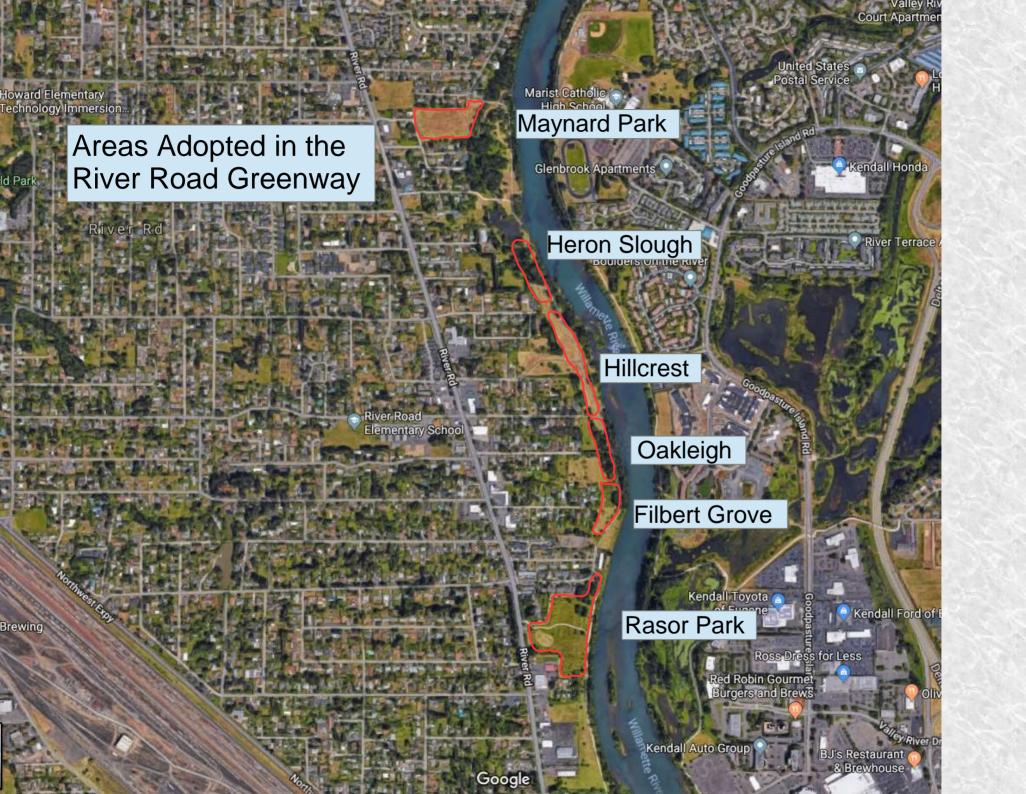
seed disbursed

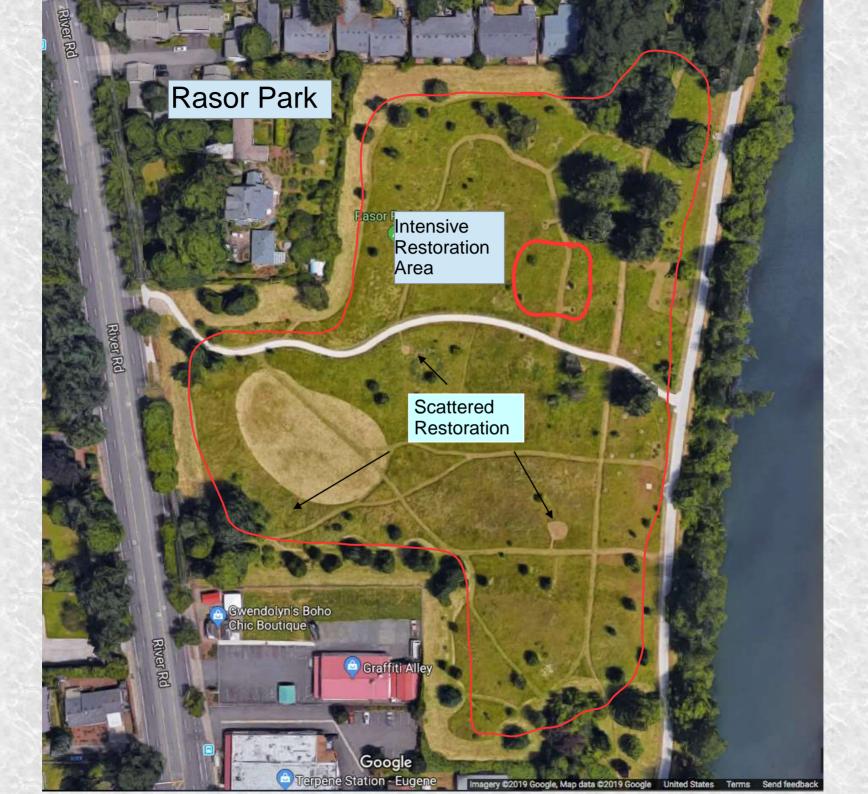
13 lbs.



potted plants sown

1,500







Rasor Park

OPEN SPACE & GREENWAY

NATURAL AREA PARK

Connecting River Road and the River!

1970s

- Goal 15, statewide Willamette River Greenway program, adopted. This program aimed to direct development away from the river to protect the waterway itself, the associated habitat and vegetation, and also physical and visual access to the river.
- City of Eugene procured Rasor Park and other Greenway parks to carry out new public goals to protect the river and habitat corridor
- This 10-acre parcel had been part of the Rasor family homestead, and used for a home, garden, and commercial orchard. The north end oak woodland was more intact, with mature trees, shrub understory, and even remnant trillium and fawn lilies underneath. The river bank had already been

Rasor Park is now a place...

...for PEOPLE to walk, bike, bird watch, chase dragonflies or butterflies, take photos, throw frisbees, fly kites, walk dogs, look at the river, learn about native wildflowers, work as restoration volunteers... or just relax and enjoy the scenery!

AND

...for WILDLIFE (birds, squirrels, butterflies, bees, native pollinators, alligator lizards...) to find a home or place to rest and feed.

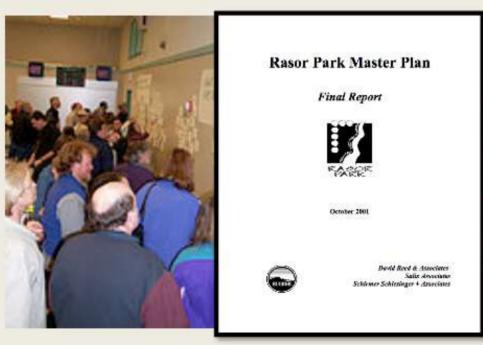
2001

The City held 3 design workshops; hundreds of residents participated.

A Master Plan for the park was completed in October.

Park goals:

- Restore oak savanna-prairie and wildlife habitat
- Provide low-impact, river-related recreation opportunities





Oak Savanna-Prairie

- Grassland with widely spaced Oregon white oaks, and a large variety of wildflowers
- Picturesque, rich in habitat value, alive with insects, birds and other wildlife
- Historically widespread in the Willamette Valley, with some unique species found nowhere else
- Since 1850, WV landscapes and regional ecology have been drastically altered. Many species and populations of plants are disappearing, as are the birds, bees, butterflies and other animals that evolved to depend on them.

Critical Wildlife Habitat

For birds, butterflies, pollinators, small mammals, all of us!



Restoration Progress



Restoration Progress and Future?



Join Friends of Rasor Park!

Upcoming/ongoing projects:

- Control Canada thistle, blackberry and other invasive species using non-chemical methods
- Gradually nudge along the "prairie-layer"
 restoration by expanding wildflower and
 bunchgrass plantings—including milkweed for
 Monarchs—to improve habitat for many wildlife
 species
- Mow walking paths and keep trash and dog poopicked up
- Expand our Citizen Science efforts to monitor birds (eBird), butterflies, pollinators, and more
- Educate our community about vanishing
 Willamette Valley prairie landscapes and
 species, and how we can restore habitat for a
 - Monthly Second Saturday Work Parties
 9 or 10 AM noon
 See friendsofrasorpark.org for more info.







Contact Friends of Rasor Park

FriendsofRasorPark.org friendsofrasorpark@gmail.com Facebook: Friends of Rasor Park











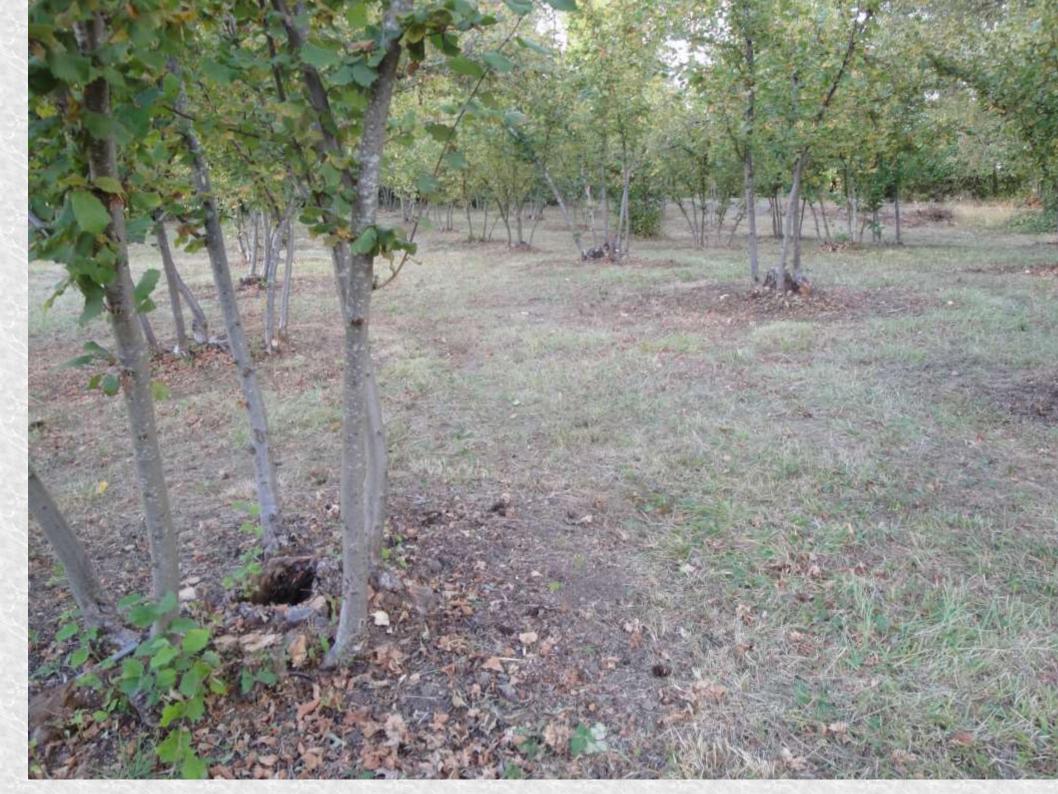


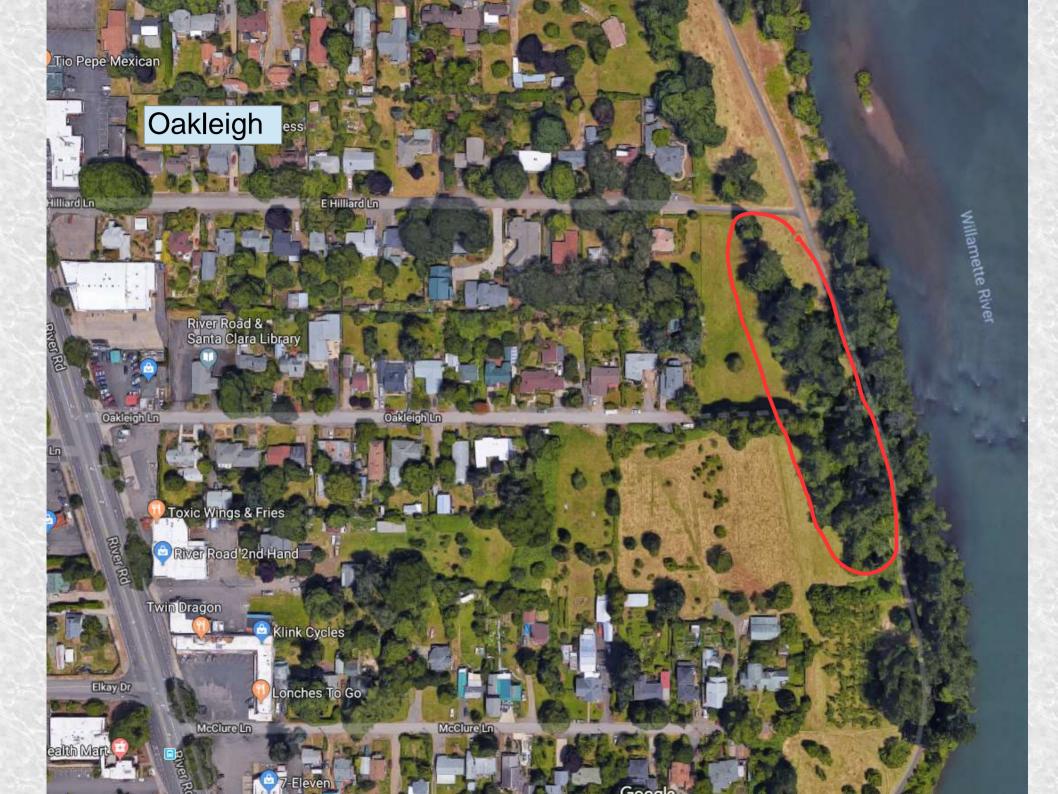


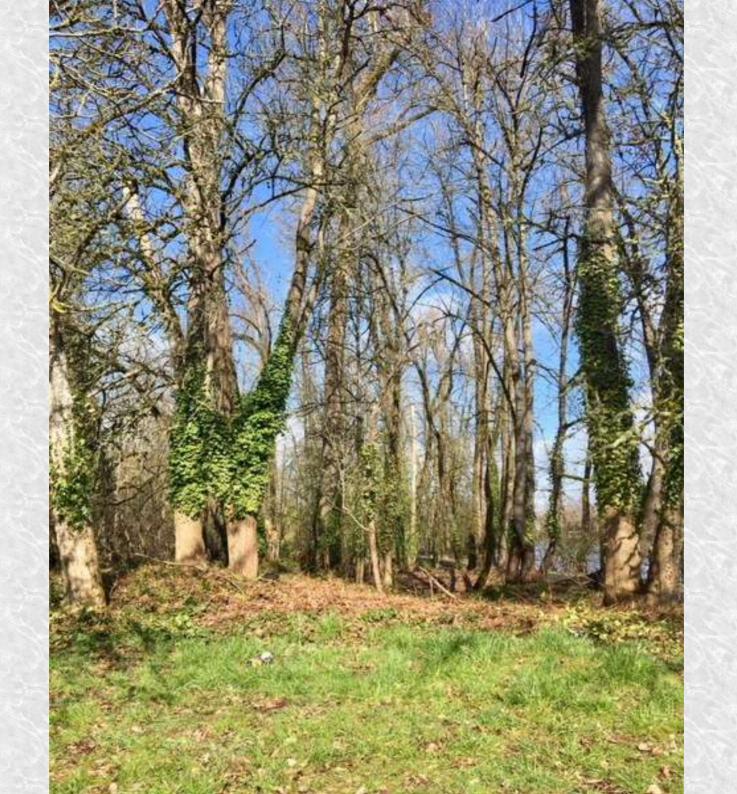






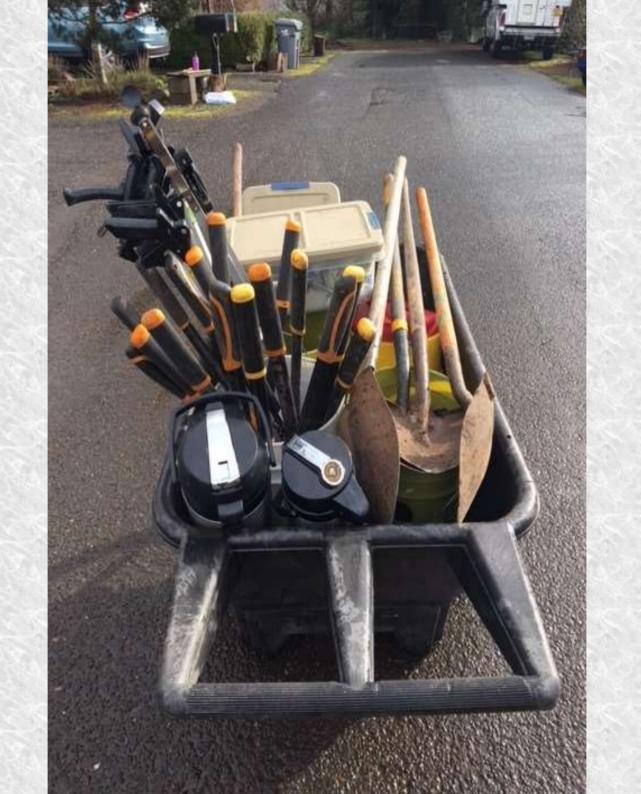












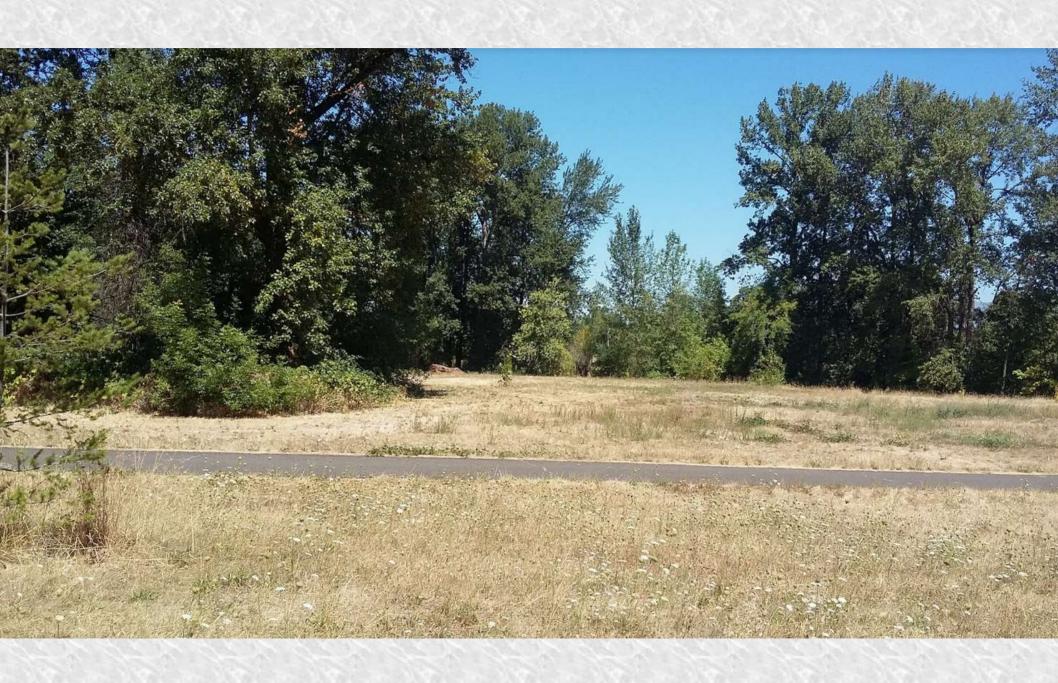






















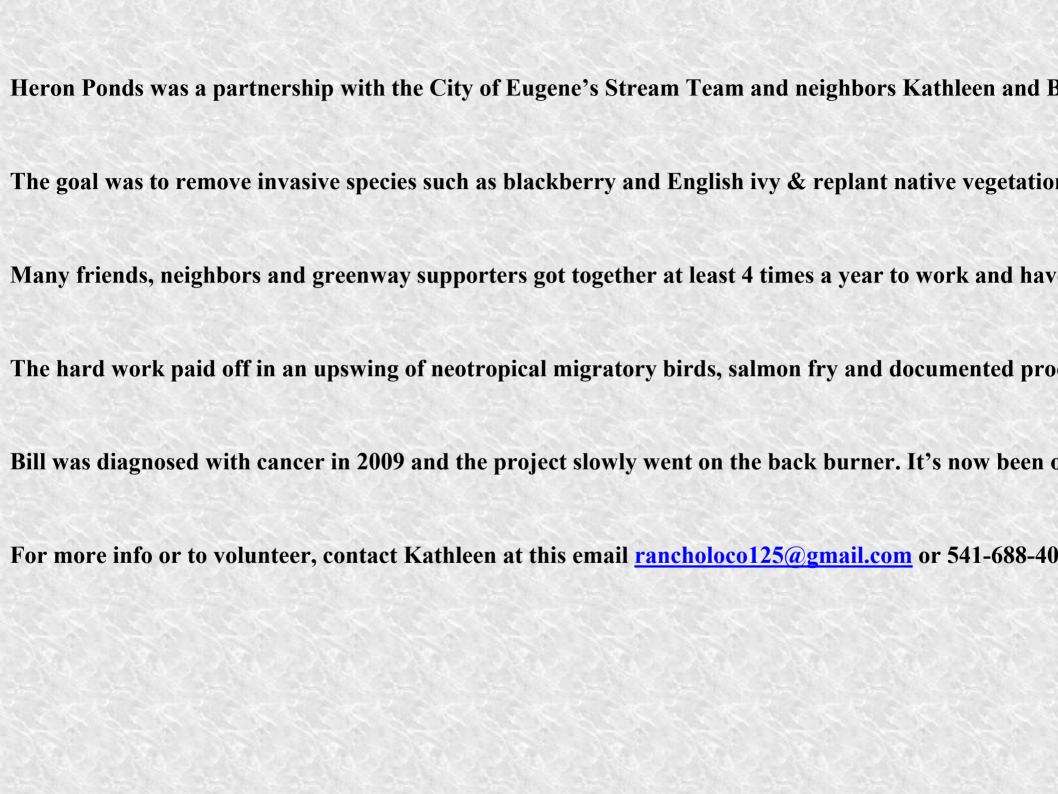
















































There is more work and fun to be found in the Greenway

How can we expand the area we make better?

