

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES INVENTORY OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

PROJECT: Clinton River Native Prairie Garden

CATEGORY:
Ecological Restoration

PRACTICE:
Native Plant Restoration – Upland

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OWNER: City of Rochester Hills

PARTNERS:
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Education Center, Clinton River Watershed Council, Oakland Chapter
of the Wild Ones

DESIGN: Sally Hiott

CONSTRUCTION: Volunteers

MAINTENANCE: Oakland Land Conservancy

DATE INITIATED: 2001

INITIAL COST: \$3,000

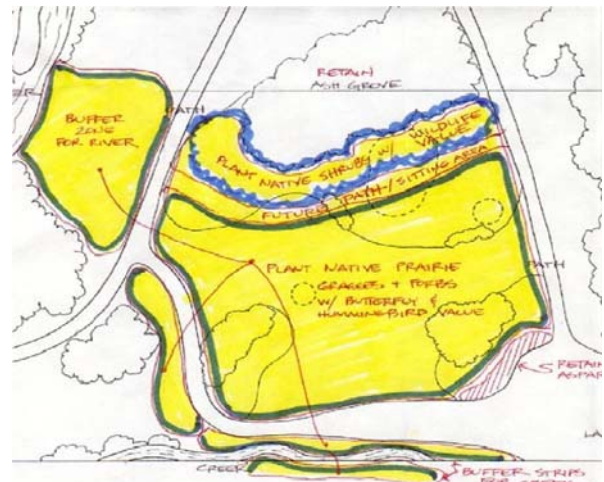
MAINTENANCE COST: \$250/year

PROJECT

The project was initiated to demonstrate how a partnership between local government, citizens, and non-profit organizations can successfully restore native ecosystems on the landscape. This piece of land behind the Rochester Hills Environmental Education Center was infested with invasive species such as spotted knapweed. Volunteers worked to killoff the invasive plants by covering the ground with newspaper and plastic sheeting. The volunteers then installed native plants. The prairie is weeded every year to remove invasives. To assist on a work day, please contact Oakland Land Conservancy at the above number.



Volunteers assist in constructing the Prairie garden.



The plan includes plantings and trail areas.