

Millbrook Exchange Park
Innovative Stream Restoration
Public Meeting

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### Introductions



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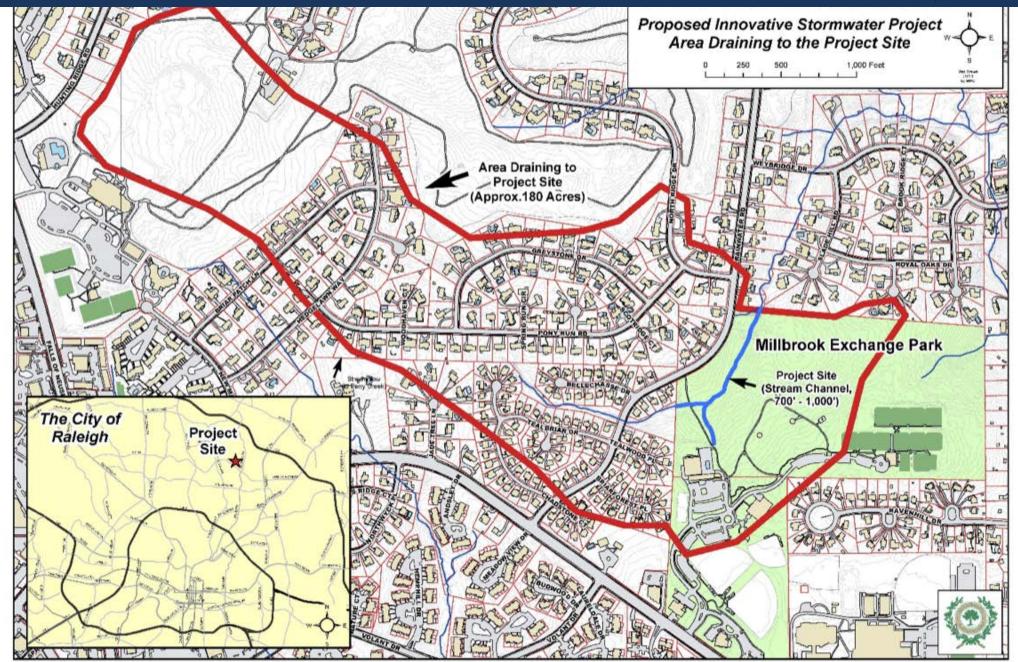
### Overview



- ✓ Site History
- ✓ Project Goals
- ✓ Project Design
- ✓ Construction Expectations and Challenges
- ✓ Proposed Schedule
- ✓ Questions & Answers

# Site History





# Project Location





### Project Goals





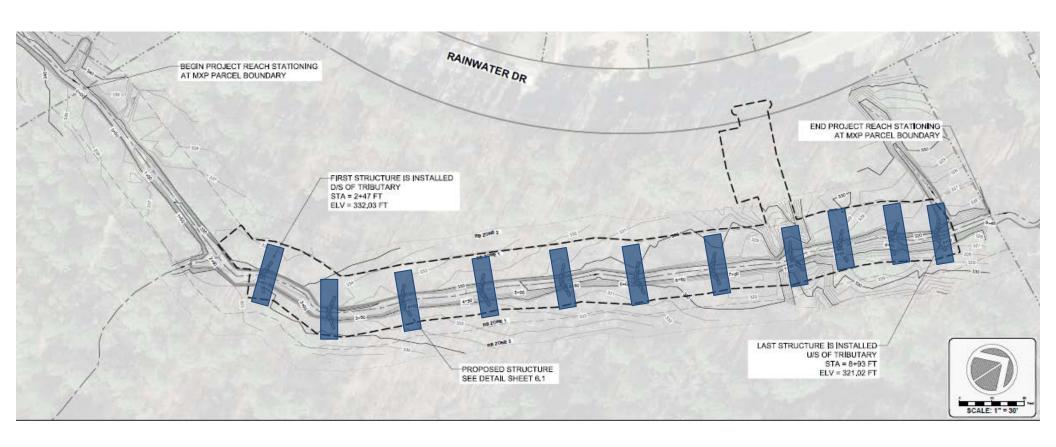
Stabilize and rehabilitate stream

Improve water quality

Provide floodplain connection on park property

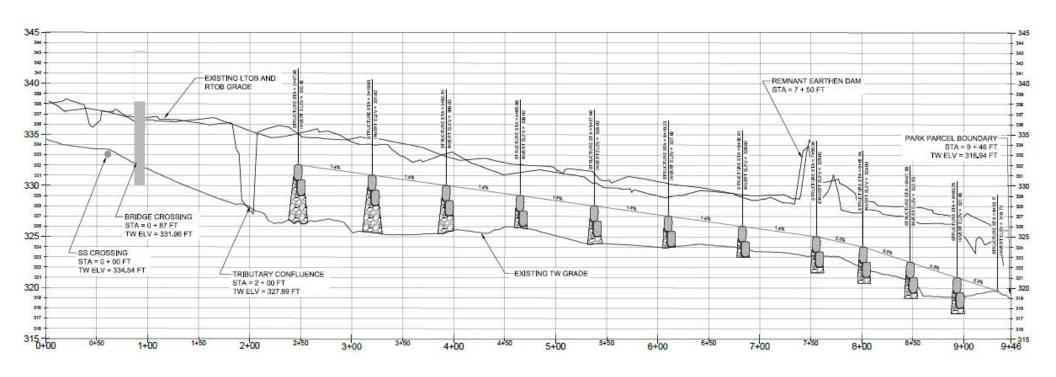
Evaluate low-cost, low-impact stream restoration





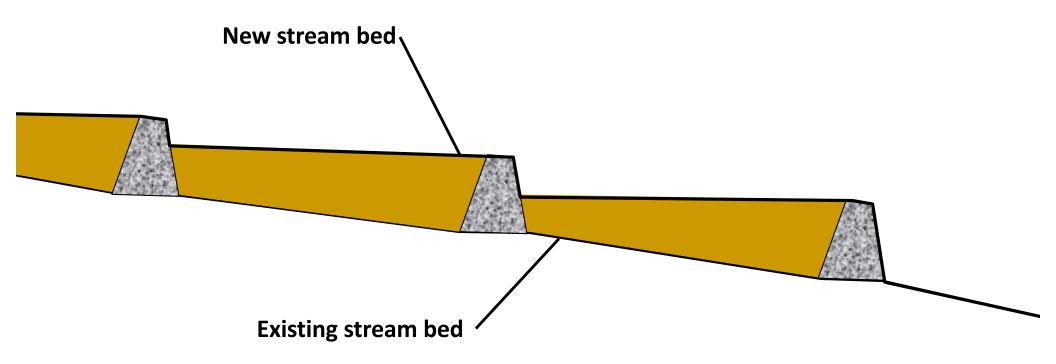
Installing 11 small dams that will fill in with sand and gravel over time





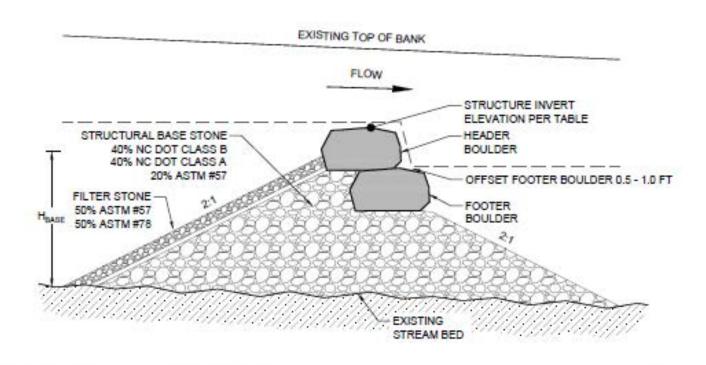
Structures range in height from 2-6 feet and are spaced 40-60 feet apart





Sand and gravel will fill in behind structures to create a new stream bed





GRADE CONTROL STRUCTURE

NOT TO SCALE





[Photo from WattsBranchDC.blogspot.com]

Redirects stream flow to protect stream banks

Slows down the energy of the stream to reduce erosion

Traps sand and gravel to improve water quality

## Floodplain Reconnection



#### **Floodplain**

 Flat land surrounding stream banks where water flows during heavy rainfall.

#### **Floodplain Reconnection**

Providing the stream with easier access to the floodplain by decreasing stream bank height.
 This will allow water to spread out over an area, which helps to reduce the energy of the stream and remove pollution from the stream.

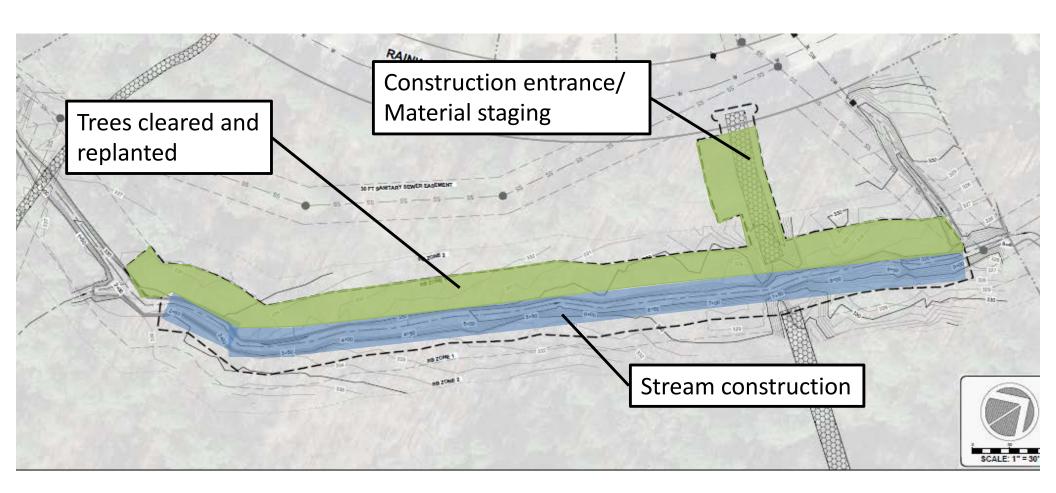
#### **Benefits of Floodplain Reconnection**

- Reduced erosion
- Improved water quality
- Better habitat for aquatic life



### Low-impact Construction

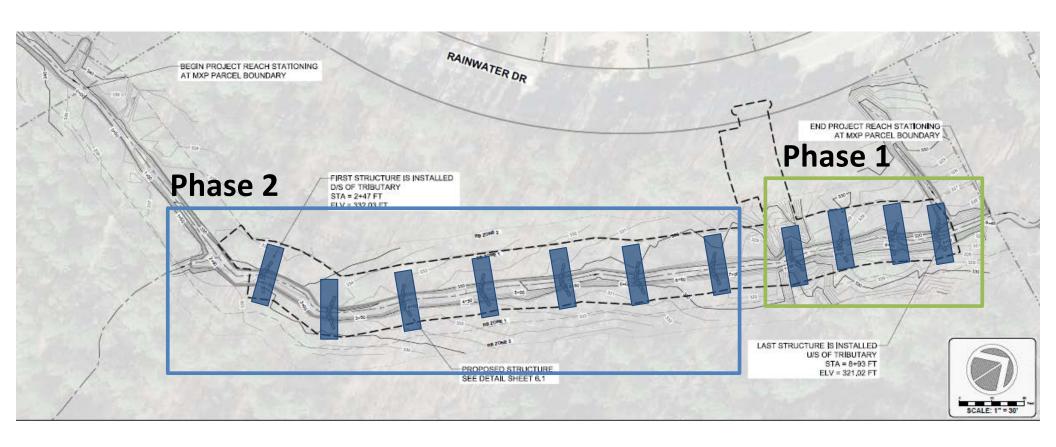




- No road closures during construction
- Construction signs will be in placed at the nearby road and sidewalk
- Small construction vehicles will be used

### Construction Phases





#### **Construction will be done in two phases:**

Phase 1 – Build four downstream dams and monitor over several rain events

Phase 2 – Make necessary design adjustments and construct seven upstream dams

# Construction Examples





### Construction - Planting



# The following will be planted in the project area:

- Tulip Poplar
- White Oak
- Spice Bush
- Beauty Berry
- Yellow Root
- Tag Alder
- Black-Eyed Susan
- Lanceleaf Coreopsis
- Native Grasses



### Post-Construction Efforts





### Schedule



| Task                          | Date            |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Complete 90% Design Plans     | February 2018   |
| Secure Environmental Permits* | February 2018   |
| Finalize Design Plans         | March 2018      |
| Begin Construction            | March 2018      |
| Complete Construction         | May 2018        |
| Monitoring                    | Ongoing to 2020 |

<sup>\*</sup>Permit applications have been submitted to North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ).

### Drainage Assistance Program



Provides help to citizens who experience drainage issues that result from stormwater coming from streets

Staff will assess structural flooding, severe erosion, and failing infrastructure for qualifying projects

Potential project downstream of Millbrook Exchange Park.

For more information, call Dale Hyatt, PE, 919-996-4071 or Dale.Hyatt@raleighnc.gov

### Questions?



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