Parks & Community Enrichment Committee

SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

Approval of Agenda

Introduction of New Committee Members

DEBBIE GIEZENTANNER

JASON MORGAN

ALLY REO

Public Forum

Lennie’s Law Update

ADAM SMITH – PACE CHAIRPERSON





Lennie’s Law Update

- Lennie's Law continues to make progress, securing unanimous support from Black Mountain, Buncombe County and the French Broad River MPO.
- Citizen Times did a big story on recent successes.
- Adam and Maddie visited two events in Tennessee after the Milligan tragedy.
- The White Line has secured a lobbyist to begin lobbying at the State level.
- Working with local cycling groups to establish a BSZ in AVL.
- Trying to bring national attention to the proposal.
- Stay tuned!

Community Garden Update

KATIE COX – GARDEN REPRESENTATIVE AND PACE MEMBER







Community Garden Update

- **Open House on Saturday 9/26 from 10-1** We invite the community to come enjoy the garden, learn about rental bed opportunities, and about ways to get involved with the garden. We'll also have some herbal tea from the garden for tasting. Please help us to spread the word to those who you think would be interested.
- We received a donation of a custom Little Library made for us by a local Woodfin resident. Planning to use it for sharing seeds and gardening/plant books.
- We received a donation of a stainless steel sink from Bountiful Cities that was no longer being utilized by a school FEAST Program.
- Rain Garden team is planning to improve the rain garden outlet with a short culvert to make garden pathways accessible and also will add a bioswale leading to the storm drain to better manage parking lot runoff
- We are in conversations with YMCA-Hub and Bountiful Cities Share Markets to explore opportunities to donate produce from the garden
- In discussions with FBRA to host service day again this fall
- Working with YMCA Togetherhood group to organize a service day in the garden this October
- Wildlife in the garden: lots of goldfinches, frogs, rabbits and a tortoise! **Tortoise was an African spurred tortoise and found a new home at a reptile rescue*

Traffic Calming Policy Update

ADRIENNE ISENHOWER – PROJECT AND FACILITIES DIRECTOR

Qualifications

The street is paved and is serving predominantly single-family residential neighborhoods
The posted speed limit is 35 mph or less
Field analysis demonstrates a notable pattern of vehicles traveling more than 10 mph above posted speed limit
Residents live on the specific street of concern
The street is NOT maintained by NCDOT or considered a major or minor thoroughfare

Device Options

Level 1

Non-Physical / Low-Cost Traffic Calming Measures

- Increased enforcement by the Woodfin Police Department
- Additional Neighborhood Awareness Campaign
- Installation of temporary Radar Speed Display Devices

Level 2

Low Impact / Moderate Cost Traffic Calming Measures

- Signage and advance warning device addition/changes
- Add/change pavement markings – Including crosswalks
- Add on-street parking

Level 3

High Impact / Higher Cost Traffic Calming Measures

- Speed bumps
- Center island/median installation
- Chicanes
- Choker/neckdowns
- Intersection diversion (partial closure)

Traffic Calming Policy

Staff have developed proposed policy revisions after first review in June

1. Decrease required signatures from 75% to 65% of properties

2. Add section requiring traffic calming measures be evaluated for impacts to emergency response

3. Add section allowing Town to remove devices for safety or maintenance purposes

4. Define affected area and residents

5. Add more specific guidelines about funding for Level 3 improvements

Affected Area

Affected Area. The Affected Area shall generally consist of all properties with frontage on the street segment where the proposed traffic calming measure is located, **extending to the nearest intersecting public street at each end of the affected street segment**. Where the proposed traffic calming measure is located on a cul-de-sac, dead-end street, or roadway without nearby intersecting public streets, or where traffic patterns indicate that adjacent properties or streets would be directly affected, the **Town Manager may modify the Affected Area to include those properties reasonably expected to experience the impacts** of the proposed traffic calming measure.

Affected Residents. Affected Residents are the owners of record of properties located within the Affected Area. For the purposes of petitions, **one signature per property shall be accepted**, regardless of the number of property owners.

Level 3 Funding

- **36% or more:** When 36% or more of vehicles exceed the posted speed limit by more than 10 mph, the project may be eligible for **100% Town funding**, subject to the availability and appropriation of funds by the Town Council.

Stormwater Program
Volunteer Opportunities Expansion

NATE OBLON – STORMWATER ADMINISTRATOR

Expansion of Previous Volunteer Ideas

1. Pocket Park/ Pollinator Pathway

2. Beaverdam Creek Cleanup Day

3. Invasive Species Removal

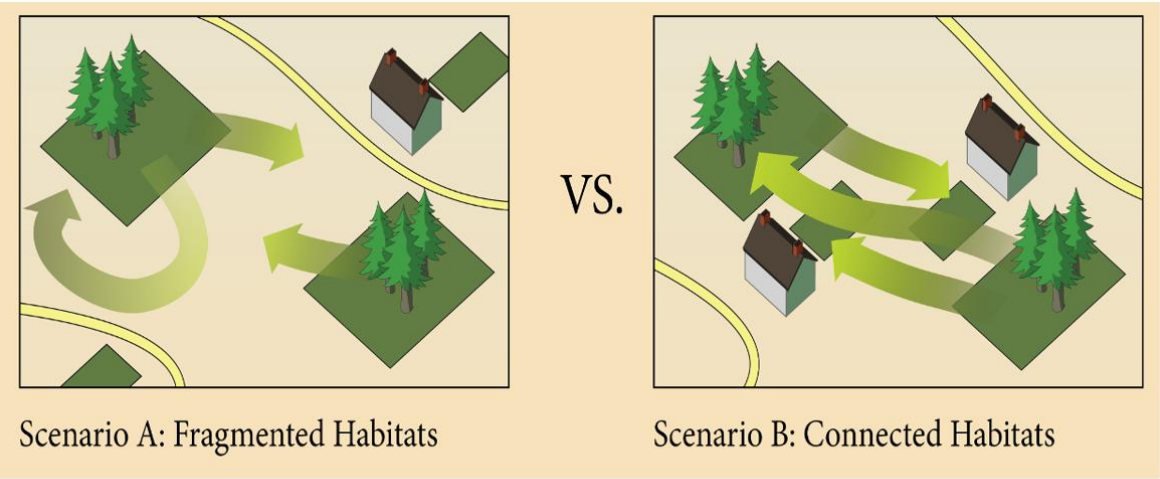




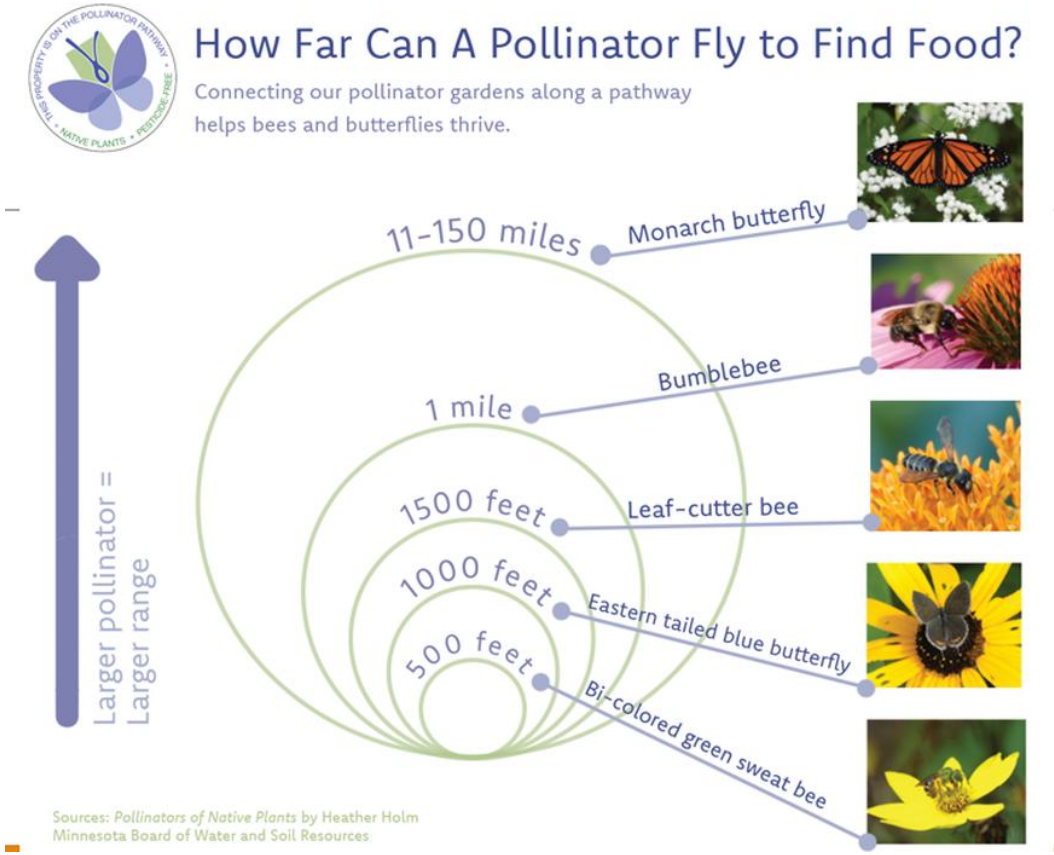


Pocket Park/ Pollinator Pathway

What is a pollinator pathway?



Source: Pollinator Pathway Northeast



https://www.warrenswcd.com/pollinator-pathways.html

https://www.pollinator-pathway.org/

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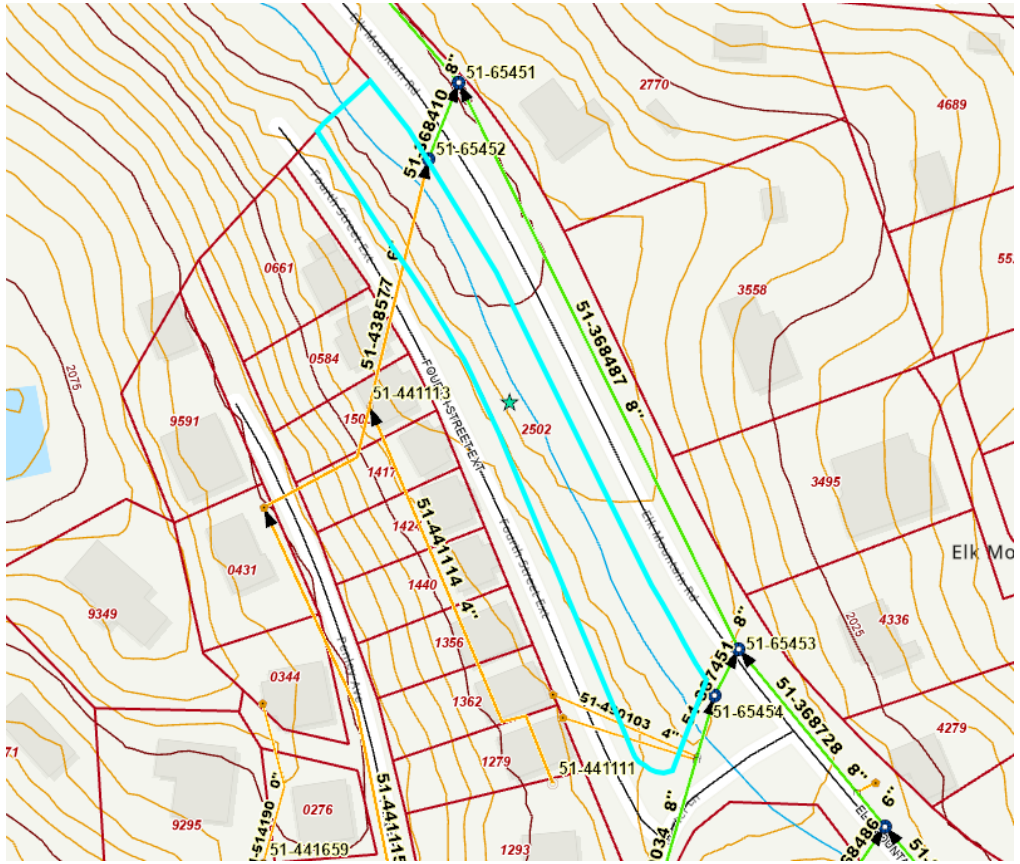
Resources for further information about gardens and connectivity

- Warren County, OH soil and water conservation district pollinator garden project
  - Provides information and a map of connected areas
- Pollinator Pathways
  - National organization with information about regional plants, locations of pathways around the country, and other resources



Pocket Park/ Pollinator Pathway





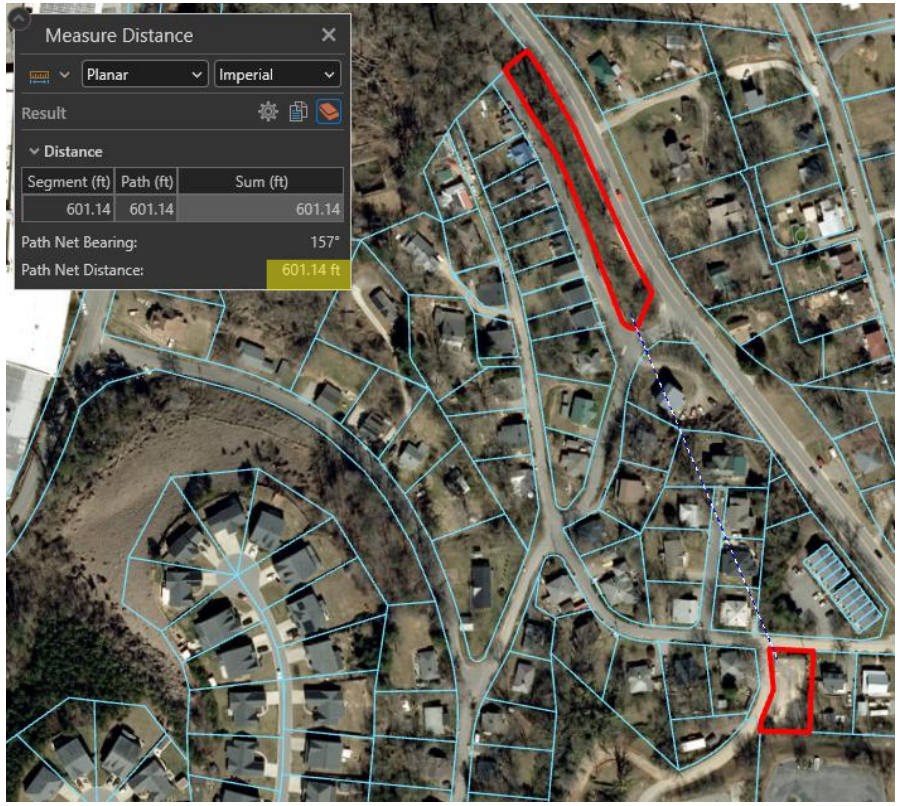
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Beaverdam Cleanup Day

Beaverdam Creek Overview: NC Stream Stats

Parameter Name	Value
Drainage Area	12.5
Percent_Impervious_NLCD2011	5.4

Urban Peak-Flow Statistics

Urban Peak-Flow Statistics Parameters [Region 2 Urban Blue Ridge FS007-00]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	12.5	square miles	0.04	41
LC11IMP	Percent_Impervious_NLCD2011	5.4	percent	2	54.6

Urban Peak-Flow Statistics Flow Report [Region 2 Urban Blue Ridge FS007-00]

PIL: Lower 90% Prediction Interval, PIU: Upper 90% Prediction Interval, ASEp: Average Standard Error of Prediction, SE: Standard Error, PC: Percent Correct, RMSE: Root Mean Squared Error, PseudoR^2: Pseudo R Squared (other -- see report)

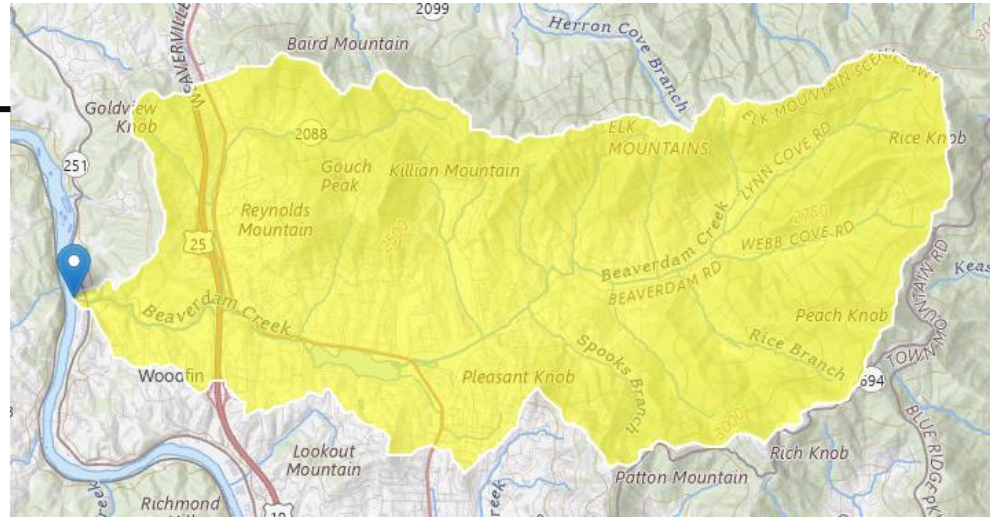
Statistic	Value	Unit	SE
Urban 50-percent AEP flood	685	ft^3/s	40.4
Urban 20-Percent AEP flood	1160	ft^3/s	38.5
Urban 10-percent AEP flood	1520	ft^3/s	38.3
Urban 4-percent AEP flood	2230	ft^3/s	38.7
Urban 2-percent AEP flood	2640	ft^3/s	37.8
Urban 1-percent AEP flood	3060	ft^3/s	37.8

Urban Peak-Flow Statistics Citations

Mason, Robert R., Jr.; Fuste, Luis A.; King, Jeffrey N.; Thomas, Wilbert O., Jr.,2002, The National Flood-Frequency Program -- Methods for Estimating Flood Magnitude and Frequency in Rural and Urban Areas in North Carolina, 2001: U.S. Geological Survey Fact Sheet 007-00, 4 p.

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685	ft^3/s

Urban 1-percent AEP flood	
3060	ft^3/s



Drainage Area

Beaverdam Cleanup Day

Partners & Equipment

- Waterproof boots/ waders and gloves will be highly advised to be worn due to possible pollutants upstream
- Woodfin to provide contractor bags and will work with TOW public works to setup trash pickup of removed debris
- Asheville Greenworks Group Service Projects
- MountainTrue Riverkeepers
- Riverlink Streambank Repair Program
  - May be able to provide materials, equipment, and further guidance for volunteers and Woodfin staff





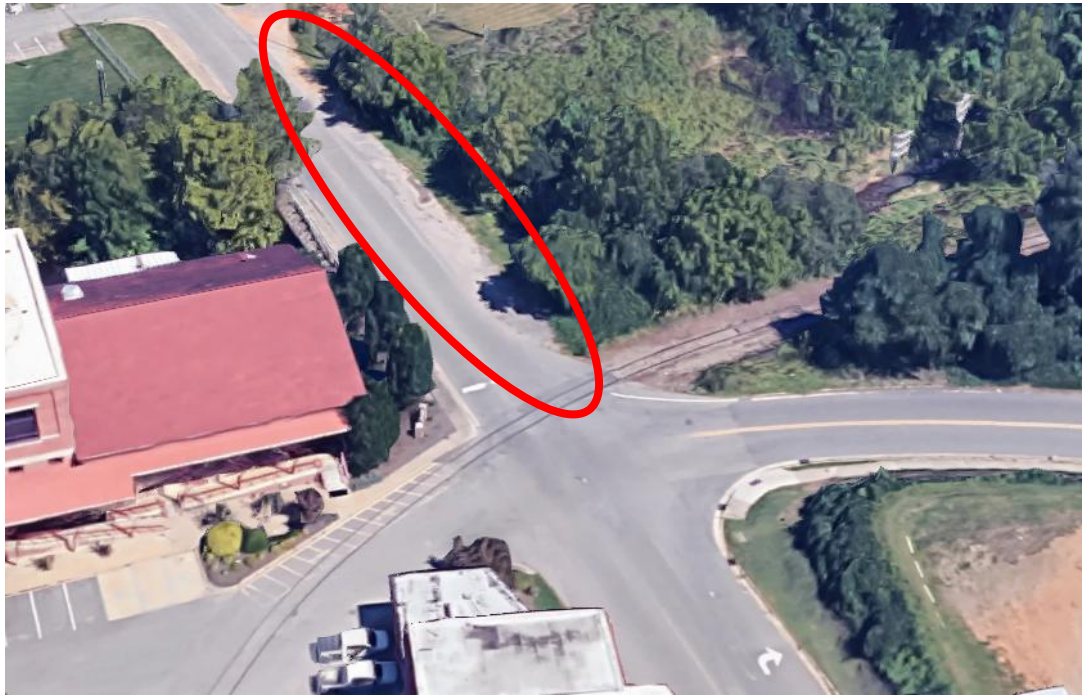




Beaverdam Cleanup Day

Parking: NCDOT right-of-way & private property





Beaverdam Cleanup Day

Streambank Repair Identification + Future Remediation and/or NC State workshops







Invasive Species Removal

Recommended Removal - Multi-Flora Rose

- Multi-Flora Rose was found in Silverline Park against both property boundaries with Silverline Plastics and Waste Republic

- Chemical treatment required to eradicate the plant; cutting back in the fall/ winter is a viable solution for control



Invasive Species Removal

Recommended Removal – Tree of Heaven

- Tree of Heaven is common in the Asheville area, but unsure if located on any public property in Woodfin
- Ongoing chemical treatments and applications required
- It will take several years to control an established infestation of Tree of Heaven



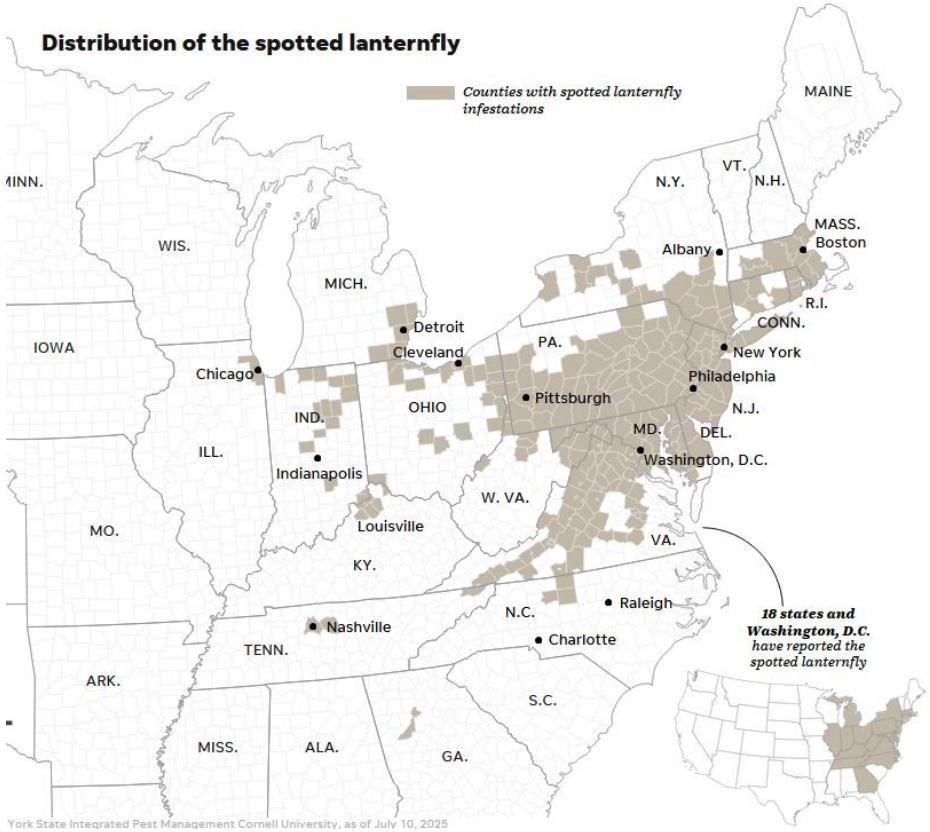
Invasive Species Removal

Tree of Heaven and Spotted Lanternfly

- Preferred Spotted Lanternfly host
- Spotted Lanternflies are slowly making their way into Western North Carolina







Invasive Species Removal

Removal of Kudzu

- Kudzu is extremely difficult to eradicate from a site
- Continuous (twice yearly) mechanical removal is needed or vine will reestablish itself
- Various mechanical and chemical methods available
- Working with NC State Cooperative Extension recommended once scope is determined



Invasive Species Removal

Staff Recommendation

- Recommend working on the cutting back of Multi-Flora Rose first upon the completion and full reopening of Silverline Park
- Also able to incorporate a riverbank clean up day
- Move to add other areas and species in coming years



Other Volunteer Option Recommendations?

Any questions or additional recommendations/ changes?

Staff Reports

ADRIENNE ISENHOWER





Silver-Line Park

- Completion date moved back to mid-October

- Testing of rubber matting at playground completed; matting does not need replacement

- Additional grading required to reach level of compaction necessary for restroom will result in change order

- Coordinating Buncombe County on permits for restroom building and pavilions

-Continued work on landscaping and plantings

Taylor's Wave

- Work still scheduled to be complete by October
- Once structure is completed, plan to remove material in riverbed
- Minor riverbank work planned to address Helene damages
- Will also need an as-built survey done by engineer
  - Amendment to permit in review by USACE
- Grand opening event scheduled (tentatively) for October 9th at 4:30
  - Backup date of October 23rd
  - Raft parade, guest speakers, kayak demonstrations, and dedication to Taylor Hunt

Riverside Park

Work in progress on repair to existing restrooms

Utility work on construction site in progress

- MSD completed line relocation
- AT&T to relocate fiber optic cable

NCDOT completing survey work and coordinating with contractor to locate crane onsite

Once wave structure and utility work are completed, on-shore work will commence

- Estimated completion date: Summer 2027

Adjourn