

Otter Creek Stream
Restoration in Maumee
AOC (OC – 3.2, OC –
3.3)

Project Updates

Maumee AOC Advisory Committee Quarterly Meeting – June 9th, 2022

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Project Locations – City of Oregon



Stream Restoration at Oregon Recreation Complex – Existing Conditions

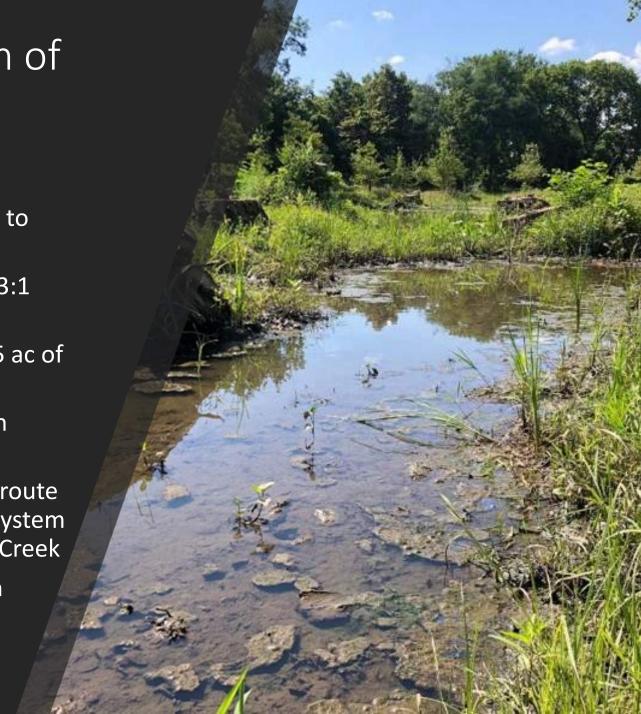
- Oregon Recreation Complex
- OEPA monitoring completed in 2017 just downstream of project site (Stadium Road)
- Wolf Creek found to be in nonattainment for BUI 6 – Degradation of Benthos and BUI 14a – Loss of Fish Habitat
- QHEI of 29 poor, ICI invertebrate community score of 6 (very poor) for benthic communities
- Steep almost vertical stream banks, active erosion, silt cover and embeddedness, no floodplain
- More or less has become an ag drainage ditch – invasives, etc

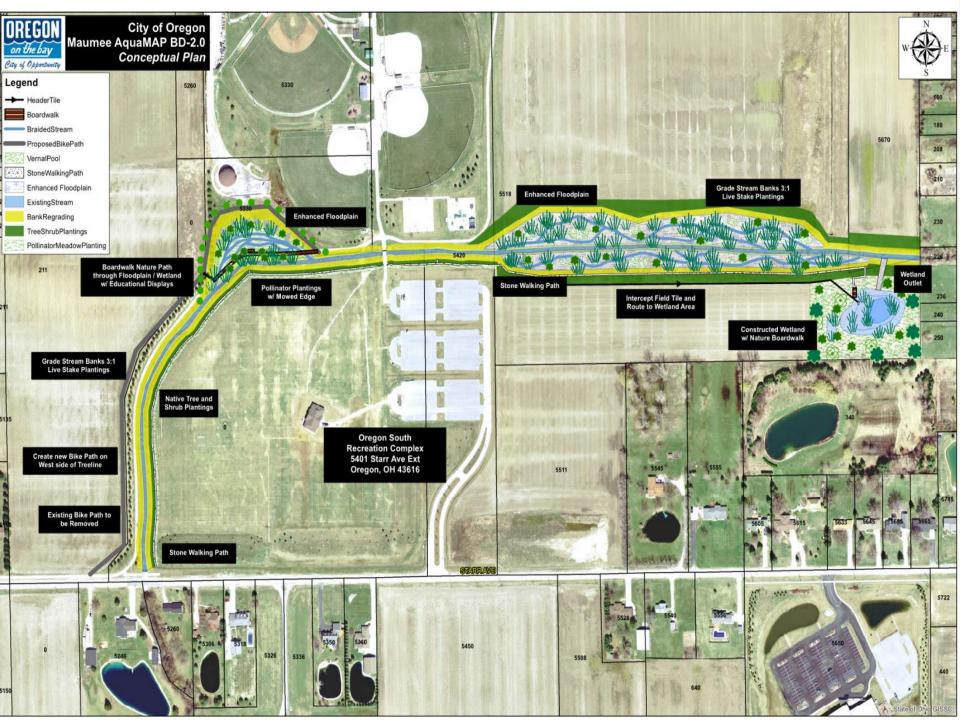


Channelized and steep banks, Wolf Creek flows through the City of Oregon's Recreation Complex, located off of Starr Avenue Extension

Proposed Plan of Restoration

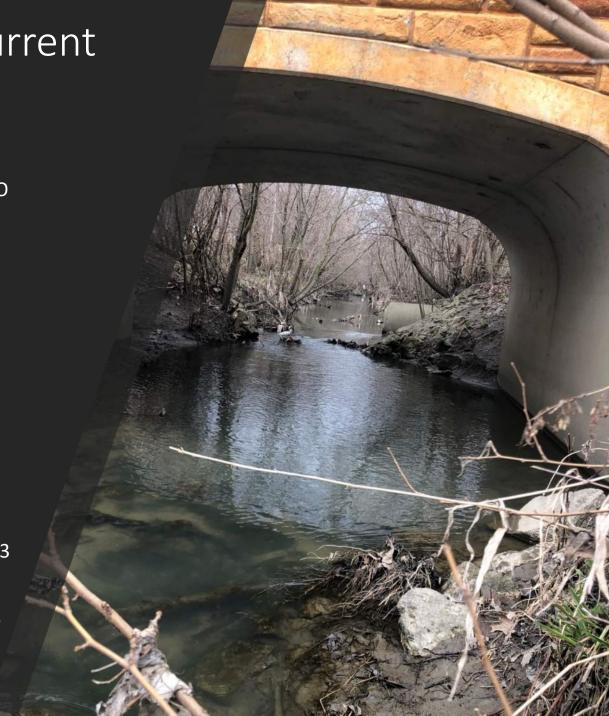
- City of Oregon Property
- Two-stage channel design to widen floodplain access
- Regrade stream banks to 3:1 side slope for stability
- Restore approximately 3.5 ac of floodplain habitat
- Install 2.5 acres of riparian upland area
- Intercept ag field tile and route through created wetland system prior to discharge to Wolf Creek
- Public Access & Education
 - Walking path





Wolf Creek - Current Project Status

- Project was funded through GLNPO GLRI in July of 2021
- Currently in the final design phase
- QAPP Conditionally approved
- Field work taking place
 - Survey
 - Geotech borings
 - Wetland delineation
 - Ecological determinations
- Design to be completed by December 2022
- Bid in Spring 2023
- Construction Summer and Fall 2023
- Plantings and warranty work 2024
- Grant period ends December 2024



Otter Creek Stream Restoration in Maumee AOC – Existing Conditions

OEPA monitoring completed in 2017 just downstream of project site (Corduroy Road)

Otter Creek found to be in non-attainment for BUI 6 – Degradation of Benthos and BUI 14a – Loss of Fish Habitat

QHEI of 41.5 below 43 goal, ICI invertebrate community score of 6 (very poor) for benthic communities

Active stream bank erosion, silt cover and embeddedness, lack of instream structure, riffles etc., flashy flows

Classic urban stream with multiple MS4 outfalls in area, draining 53 acres of urban area, no detention or retention

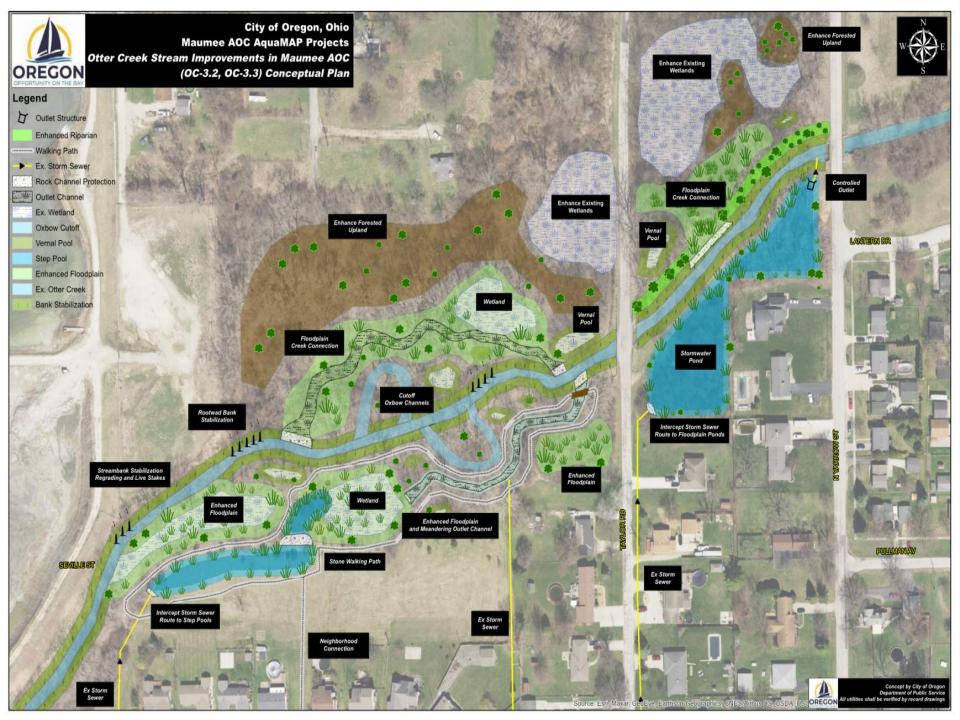


Recovering channel within large adjacent floodplain area, bare stream banks contributing to sediment loading and silt cover of channel bottom



Proposed Plan of Restoration

- Property Acquisition Four (4) Landowners
- Streambank stabilization by grading, live stake planting, and utilization of instream structures such as rootwads
- Establishment of instream habitat structures such as riffles and pools
- Restablishment of connection to adjacent floodplain area
- Enhancement of existing approximate 4 acre wetland adjacent to creek
- Divert 53 acres of urban stormwater drainage to proposed forebay ponds and stormwater wetland system to reduce stream flow velocities, sediment and nutrient discharge
- Public Access Walking Path





Otter Creek -Current Project Status

- Project was selected for funding and application has gone through review locally and at US EPA
- Following reviews City was asked to submit into Grants.gov
- Awaiting further review from Grants.gov submittal
- Working on Section 106 Review Application in meantime
 - Ohio Historic Preservation Office: Resource Protection and Review application
- Similar timeline to Wolf Creek Project (1 year behind)
 - Design 2023
 - Construction 2024
 - Warranty tree planting 2025
 - Finalize December 2025

Thanks!!



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