



Recreation

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HUMAN HEALTH

- Though the Legacy Act cannot fund various concepts presented in this section, this clean up project provides a catalyst to many opportunities for access improvements and recreational opportunities for all.
- This project will remove PCB contaminated sediments from this reach of the river, thereby making the river safer to human health.
- It will help us to make significant progress towards delisting of beneficial use impairments in the Area of Concern, which includes this portion of Lincoln Creek and Milwaukee River.



WATER QUALITY & DEPTH

- Large quantities of contaminated sediments will be removed from the river system.
- Sediment removal presents opportunities to recreate sustainable river bottom cross sections.
- Fill will not be placed in river to reestablish previous sediment channel depth.
- The Estabrook Dam ultimately controls water depth in the area.



FISHING SAFETY & ACCESS

- Fishing pier may need to be removed to facilitate sediment removal and could be replaced in an alternate location and configuration.
- Site restoration and habitat improvement work can serve as a catalyst for providing better fishing opportunities.
- Better access to shoreline and fishing areas can be provided through additional efforts with local community partners.
- The sediment cleanup should help to reduce fish consumption advisories.



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PADDLING & BOATING

- Through the momentum provided by this project, community opportunities may arise to add launches and access points as desired by the citizens.
- Creative designs can provide opportunities to integrate new access points into habitat improvements.



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- Trail development may be done in conjunction with Milwaukee County Parks Department and other Partners as future enhancements.
- Restoration and habitat improvement work can be designed to accommodate and integrate with existing and proposed trail networks and local projects.
- Careful design can improve wildlife habitat, health and ecological diversity that greatly enhances the trail users' experience.



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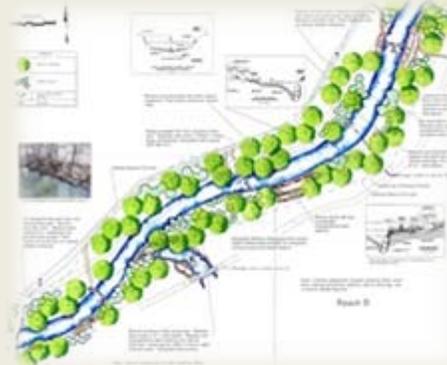
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HISTORICAL PURPOSE & DESIGN

- 75 years ago the historical character of the river was greatly changed with construction of dam and channel modifications.
- Recent history has included seasonal impoundment of river waters resulting in greater depths and water surface area. These fluctuating water levels changed the historical utilization of this portion of the river. Recreational boating has become commonplace.
- The final design of river and shoreline areas should be able to accommodate changing surface water elevations and maintain the ecological integrity of the river system.



ECONOMIC BENEFITS

- Removing the contaminated sediment helps to make the site safer and more desirable to enjoy.
- Through ecological & structural improvements, the character of the river may be enhanced and provide greater recreation and business opportunities including outdoor activities & tourism.
- Comprehensive & strategic design solutions will result in greatly enhanced functionality & aesthetics of the river system.

