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PUBLIC NOTICE

File Number:	2014-03-066	Date:	July 3, 2014	

This office has under consideration the application of:

City of Providence 1000 Elmwood Ave. Providence, RI 02907

for a State of Rhode Island Assent to construct and maintain:

A small public park along the southern Woonasquatucket riverbank area at Kinsley Avenue and Eagle Street, the site of a recent installation of a stormwater interceptor as part of Phase II of the Narragansett Bay Commission's Combined Sewer Overflow project. The park would include public access to the river, a viewing platform and enhancement of the riverbank vegetation through removal of invasive plants and planting of native species.

Project Location:	Kinsley Ave.
City/Town:	Providence
Plat/Lot:	Adjacent to Pole 48
Waterway:	Woonascatucket River

Plans of the proposed work may be seen at the CRMC office in Wakefield.

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws) you may request a hearing on this matter.

You are advised that if you have good reason to enter protests against the proposed work it is your privilege to do so. It is expected that objectors will review the application and plans thoroughly, visit site of proposed work if necessary, to familiarize themselves with the conditions and cite what law or laws, if any, would in their opinion be violated by the work proposed.

If you desire to protest, you must attend the scheduled hearing and give sworn testimony. A notice of the time and place of such hearing will be furnished you as soon as possible after receipt of your request for hearing. If you desire to request a hearing, to receive consideration, it should be in writing (with your correct mailing address, e-mail address and valid contact number) and be received at this office on or before August 3, 2014.

Woonasquatucket River Pocket Park CRMC Assent

Location: River Bank across from 532 Kinsley Avenue, Providence RI

Project Description:

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The Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC) is underway with Phase II of the Combined Sewer Overflow project. The Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council is working together with NBC, The City of Providence, Monohassett Mill LLC and Klopfer Martin Design Group to create a small park that would provide physical and visual access to the Woonasquatucket River along Kinsley Avenue in one of the areas that NBC is using for a micro tunneling station.

The existing condition of the area consists of a clear cut section that has been dug out and back filled from the back of the side walk to the three feet from the edge of a wall adjacent to the river. A portion of the wall is concrete and an adjoining section is field stone. At the back of the side walk is an existing four bar structure railing that has a 2ft. by 6ft. retaining wall/base.

There is approximately three feet of vegetation along the edge of the wall. The vegetation will be removed where the black locust deck (on grade) is shown on the plans. All other vegetation will remain unless it is non native, invasive or native nuisance (poison ivy) in order to give our new native plantings a better chance of survival.

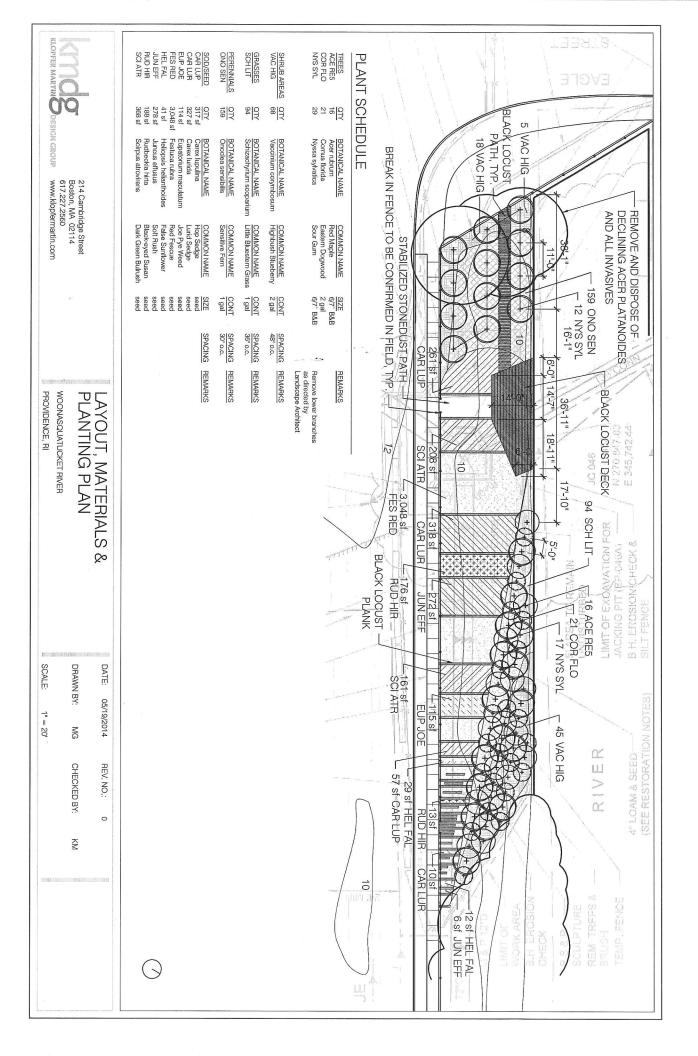
The deck and walkways are "on grade" black locust slabs pinned to the ground at opposing angles. This method was taken from the USDA Wetlands Trail Design and Construction Manual. There is also a handicapped accessible slab on grade walk way to the deck area. The method and plans were reviewed by the City of Providence Building Inspection Department. It was determined that a building permit would not be necessary for this project.

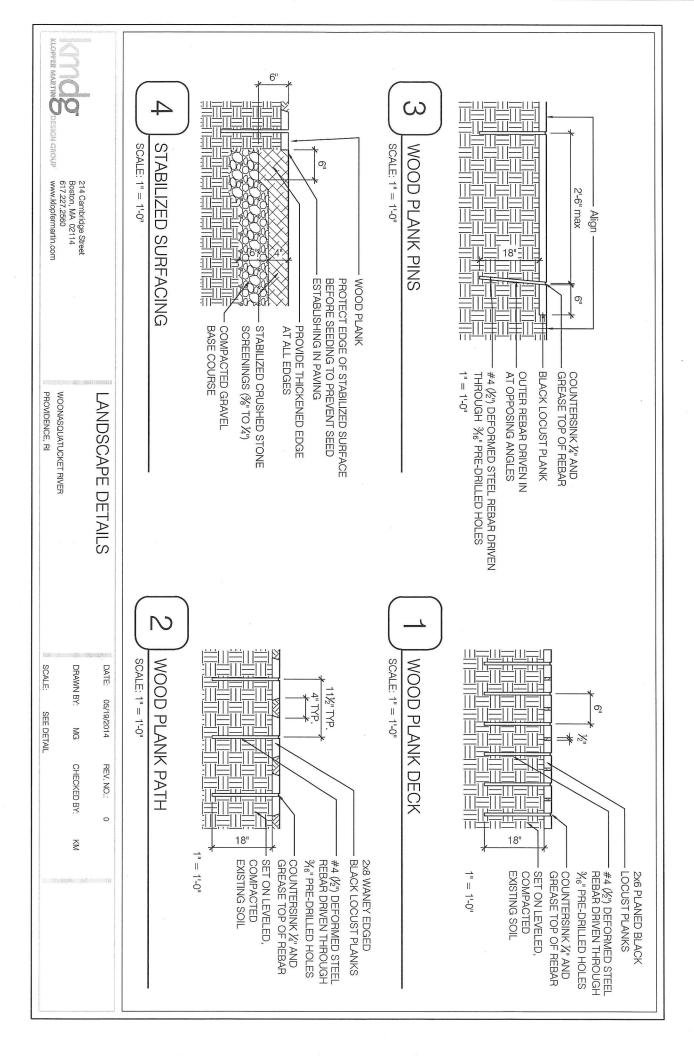
The existing NBC restorations plans call for woody shrubs and saplings to be spaced 8 ft. and 10 ft. on center. Monohassett LLC hired Klopfer Martin Design Group to create a low maintenance "pocket park" that enhances this stretch of river with low growing native plants that increase visual access to the river and helps to build greater environmental stewardship of the area.

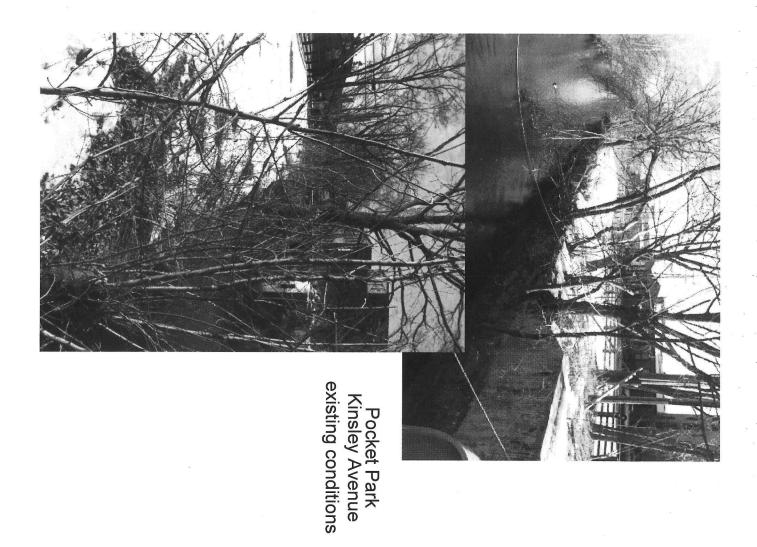
In the one mile stretch of river from Eagle Square to the Providence Place Mall, there is extremely limited visual access and no physically access with out climbing over a four foot railing. This lack of physical access creates a barrier for maintenance and building stewardship of this unique urban greenway.

The Narragansett Bay Commission has agreed to build the park when they have completed their CSO project.

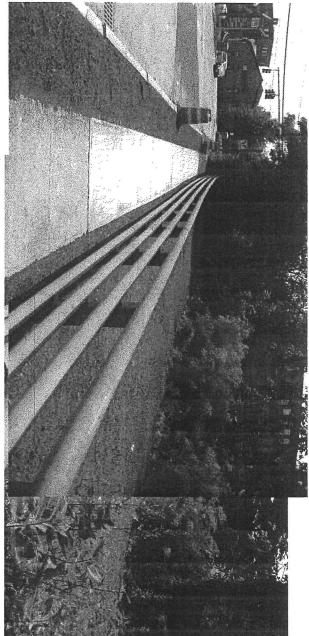
Please feel free to contact Bob McMahon: Rmcmahon@providenceri.com or Lisa Aurecchia: Lisa@wrwc.org for questions regarding this project. Enclosed are the plans that outline the project in detail.

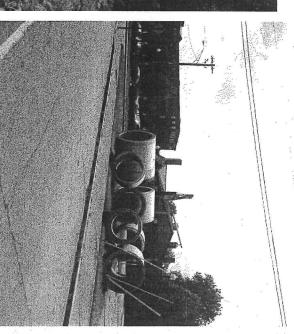


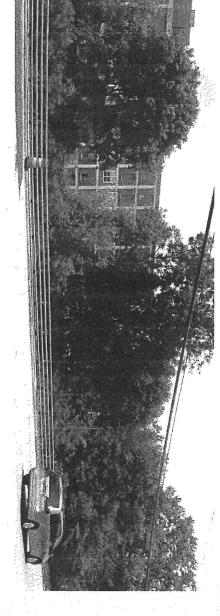






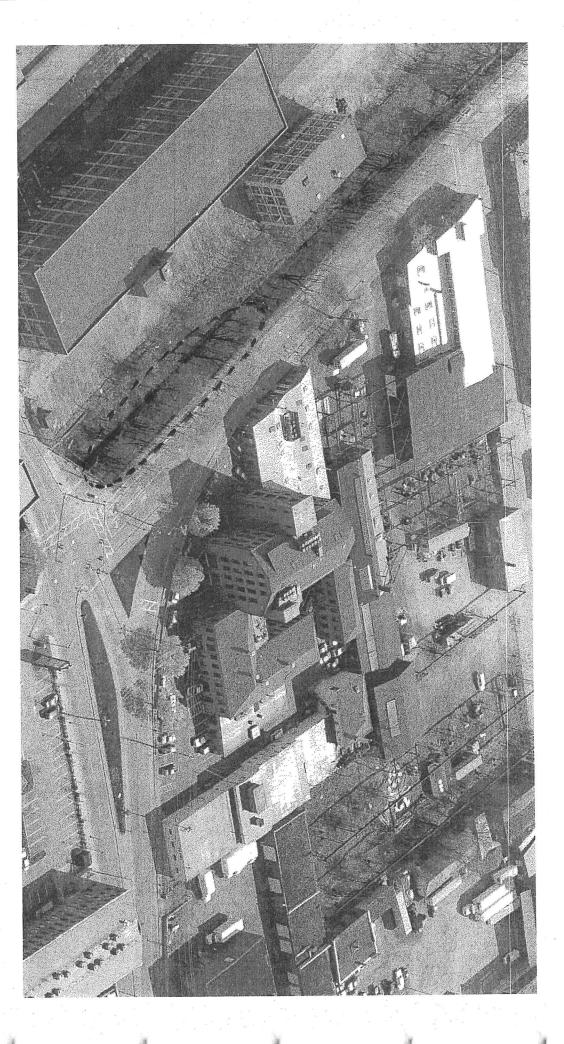










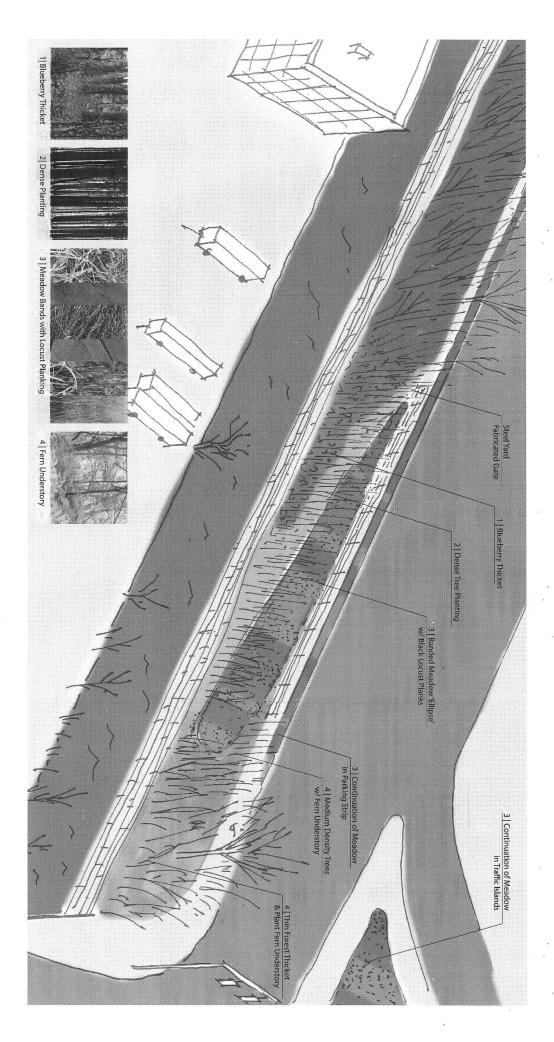


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Context Aerial of Easements and Liminal Space

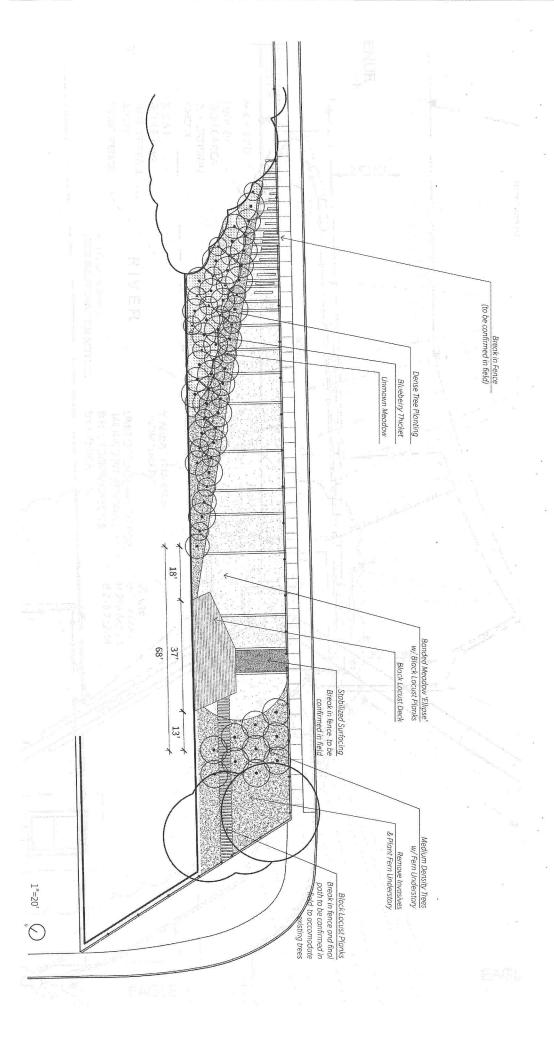


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