# Alliance of Rouge Communities

**Grant Funded Projects Overview** 



### **Great Lakes Restoration Initiative:**

GLRI 1: Transforming the Rouge Grow Zones

- Eliza Howell Park and Rouge Park (City of Detroit, Wayne County) – Restore approximately 10 acres of mowed turf grass to native vegetation grow zones through prescribed burns and native plant seeding (Spring, 2012)
- Lower Rouge and Upper Rouge Parkway (Wayne County) –
  Convert approximately 15 acres of managed turf grass to
  native vegetation grow zones in Wayne County Parks in the
  Upper and Lower Subwatersheds (Fall, 2011)



# Great Lakes Restoration Initiative: GLRT 1: Transforming the Rouge Lola Valley Park in Redford Township

- 10 acres of native plantings will be installed in Lola Valley Park in Redford Twp. in the Upper Subwatershed
- Another 5 acres will be installed in the Lower Rouge Parkway





### **Great Lakes Restoration Initiative:**

GLRI 1: Transforming the Rouge Valley Woods Wetland Restoration

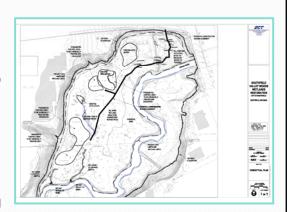




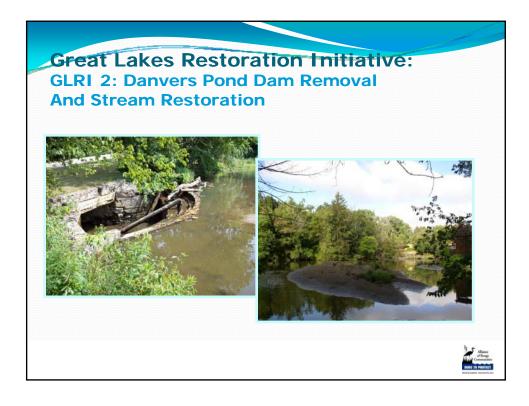


### Great Lakes Restoration Initiative: GLRI 1: Transforming the Rouge Valley Woods Wetland Restoration

- 7 acres of restored wetlands
- Herbicide treatment of phragmites
- Dredging/Removal 2,000 cyds of phragmites/sediment for open wetland water habitat
- Fill erosion drains
- Burn Treament of open area wetlands
- Re-vegetation of wetland with native species







## **Great Lakes Restoration Initiative:**

**GLRI 2: Danvers Pond Dam Removal And Stream Restoration** 

#### Project Outcomes & Outputs

- Reduce the Benthos, Fish and Wildlife Beneficial Use Impairments (BUIs) for the Rouge Area of Concern (AOC) 6.5 miles of stream opened for fish
- Approximately 300 feet of stream channel enhancement
- Approximately 2 acres of floodplain habitat restored with Michigan native species
- Progress on Watershed Management Plan Goals (Project is a Main 1-2 Subwatershed Management Plan Action Item)









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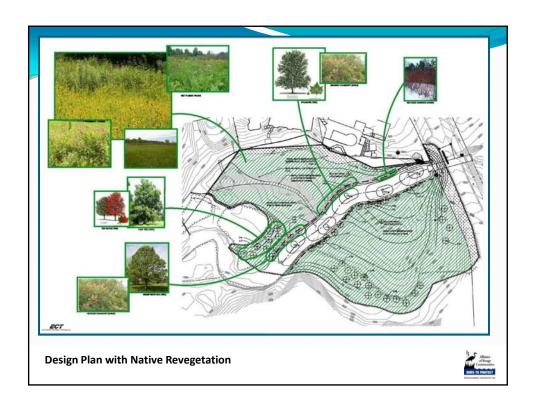
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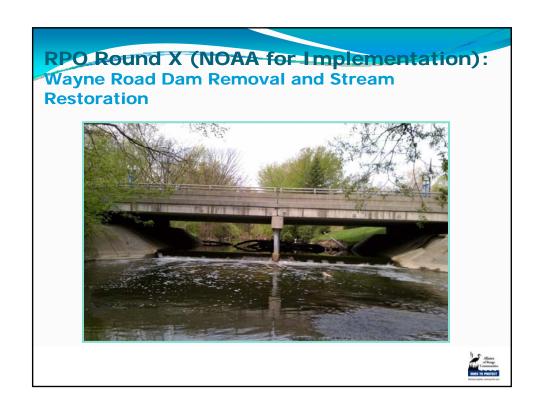
#### Step-pool Threshold Channel

- · Creates stable stream channel
  - Protects adjacent private property
- Provides flood plain storage
- Incorporates natural channel form
- Limits sediment transport
- Provides aquatic habitat\*
- Provides fish habitat\*



<sup>\*</sup> Specific Goals of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant





# RPO Round X (NOAA for Implementation):

# Wayne Road Dam Removal and Stream Restoration

- The project will:
  - Reconnect 22 miles of the Lower Rouge River (125 miles of its tributaries) back to the Great Lakes Restore fish passage by removing the Wayne Road dam
  - Insure that the streambed remains stable and protect integrity of the bridge and utilities
  - Stabilize the streambank immediately upstream of the dam (north bank) and downstream of the dam (north bank)





### RPO Round X (NOAA for Implementation):

# Wayne Road Dam Removal and Stream Restoration

#### The project components are:

- Removal of the Dam and Upstream Impounded Sediment
- Construct Riffle/Boulder Cascade
- Realignment of downstream channel
- Remove Island, Construct Bankfull Benches on Both Sides of Channel
- Repair Bank erosion upstream



# SPAC: Developing a Coordinated Effort to Address Rouge AOC Beneficial Use Impairments (BUIs)

- Update the BUI Delisting Strategy developed in 2010
- Develop a Delisting Strategy Template (Upper Sub watershed)
  - Develop a subwatershed map that shows ongoing projects and planned projects; prioritize projects for grant funding.
- Coordination of AOC activities

