



Sleepy Hollow Drainage Improvements Scenario Discussion

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Agenda

Findings in the field

Potential Scenarios

Recommendations



Basin and Berm



Area of Deposition



Bank Erosion



Headcut



Stable

Stable section between headcut
downstream and erosion at utilities
upstream

Canopy cover and dense rooting adding
to overall stability of reach

Could provide reference for stable stream
cross section if designing new channel

Pinch Point



Stable

Artificially Stable: Foreground

Extensive stone placement provides protection from erosion along banks

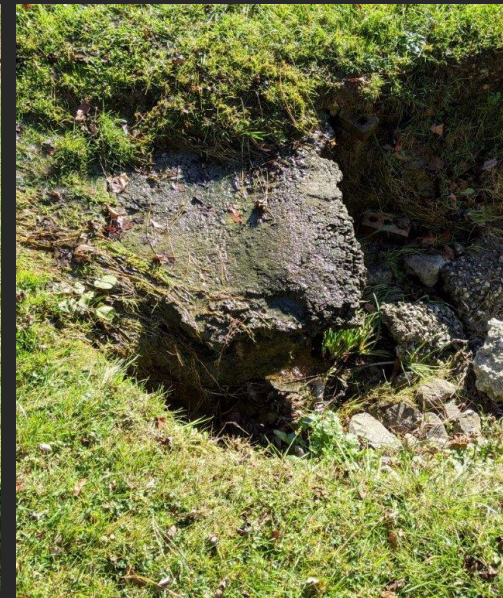
Stream flow maintained, but lack of low-flow channel can cause temperature fluctuations

Natural Stability: Background

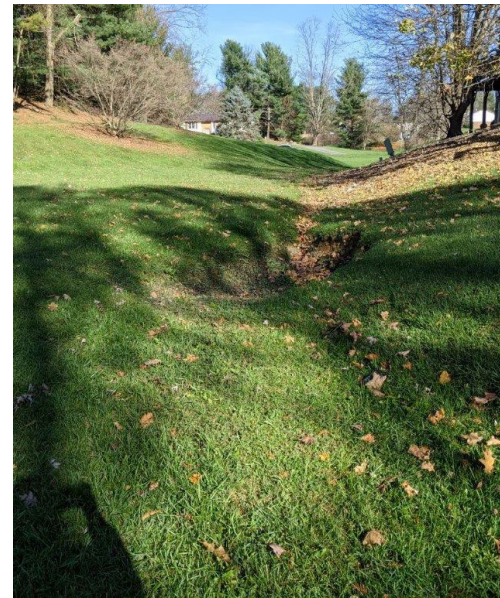
Wetland established on either side of stream channel, floodplain vegetation providing sediment trapping and energy dissipation at higher flows

Low-flow channel connectivity naturally formed and maintained

Active Spring



Pocket Erosion





Stormwater Conveyance

- Repaired in the past
- Current solution uses extensive stone
- Need to verify if issues have been fully addressed

Utility Impacts



Two Scenarios to Evaluate for Stream

- Structural Solution
 - Focus on stability
 - Costly
 - Significant work along entire length
 - Structure (stone) driven
- A Lighter Touch
 - Focus on homeowner concerns and structural stability
 - Cost-effective
 - Work on problem areas only
 - Vegetation driven

Structural Design

Dependent on stone for stability

Costly design and costly implementation

Can maintain tighter corridor – largely temporary impacts to adjacent lawns



Light Touch

Focus on problem areas

Cost effective

Vegetation key – stability and aesthetics

Will need to convert some currently mowed lawn to native vegetation with denser, deeper root systems

Native vegetation provides more diverse habitat while reducing and absorbing some of the stormwater flow







Considerations

Protect infrastructure

Address landowner concerns

Long-term viable solution(s)

Cost effective

Aesthetically pleasing

Does not negatively impact downstream
properties

Recommendation

Coordinate a stakeholder/public meeting

- In-person with Video Conference
- Stream walk

Discussion and Q&A





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