



NATURAL RESOURCES BOND PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET:

Roy Dancer Park Habitat Improvement

OVERVIEW

Roy Dancer Park is a 3.07-acre community park in an established neighborhood. The site contains patches of native shrubs under a canopy of mature Douglas-fir and large Oregon white oaks. The majority of the east end of the park is open mown area, and numerous trails through the west end of the park are mown as well.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Goals

Improve the overall biological function of Roy Dancer Park and improve sightlines for security staff and patrons.

Efforts to Date

THPRD maintenance activities are limited to mowing the trail system and the open fields.

Project Strategy

A 1 acre parcel in the southwest/central area of the park is an area that will benefit biologically from the project, provide needed security sightlines, and fit into the overall vision for the potential future development of the site.

Activities

- Initial removal of non-native vegetation, including Himalayan blackberry, English Ivy, English Hawthorn, and English Holly.
- Remaining native vegetation trimmed to improve sightlines. (Lowest branches of Douglas-fir trees removed, large shrubs trimmed back).
- Two follow up treatment of non-native vegetation.
- Replanting site with appropriate low growing shrubs.
- Two years follow up establishment activities to include treatment of non-native vegetation.

Timeline

- Initial non-native removal and two follow up treatments. Summer and fall 2011.
- Replanting with native trees and shrubs. Winter/Spring 2012.
- Establishment activities. Two treatments of non-native trees and shrubs annually. Summer 2012 and 2013.

OBJECTIVES (INDICATORS OF PROJECT SUCCESS)

- Maximum of 5% cover by targeted non-native species throughout habitat improvement site.
- Improved sightlines for security staff and patrons.