### **Green Infrastructure Coalition Donor Briefing**

July 11, 2016 Rhode Island Foundation



Transforming RI Urban
Landscapes with Nature
Based Solutions:
Green Infrastructure

Stormwater
Flooding
Cooling
Quality of Life
Social Equity
Climate Resilience





#### **Coalition Partners**

Aquidneck Island Planning Commission

**Aquidneck Land Trust** 

Audubon Society of Rhode Island

**Birchwood Designs** 

Blackstone Parks Conservancy

**Blackstone River Coalition** 

Clean Ocean Access

Clean Water Fund

**Conservation Law Foundation** 

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Save The Bay

Save The Lakes

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Policy
Plans & Projects
Communications

### Policy – Creating Enabling Policies and Funding

- Stormwater Utilities
- Bond funding
- Innovative Nature Based Strategies Amphibians
- Local ordinances





#### **Bond Resolutions**

League of Cities and Towns

Barrington

**Bristol** 

**Central Falls** 

Charlestown

Cranston

Cumberland

East Greenwich

Jamestown

Lincoln

**Little Compton** 

Middletown

Newport

North Providence

North Smithfield

Pawtucket

Portsmouth

Richmond

**Smithfield** 

South Kingstown

Westerly

West Warwick

Westerly

Woonsocket





# Plans, Projects & Workforce Development Residential Commercial Coastal

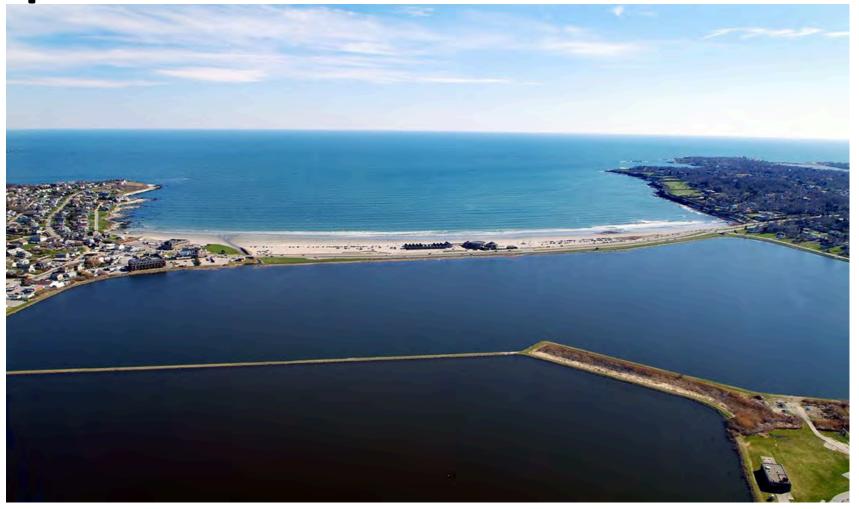
### **Communication**

Tours
Presentations
Web site
Social media





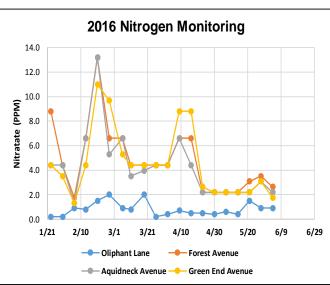
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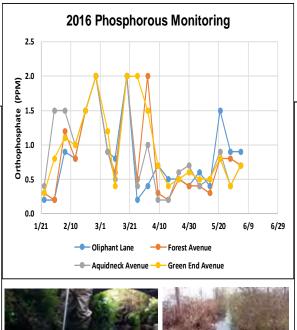


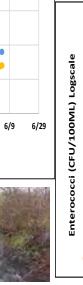
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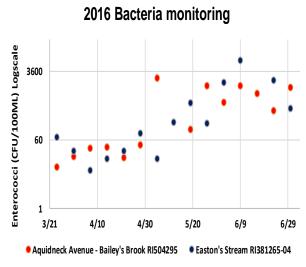




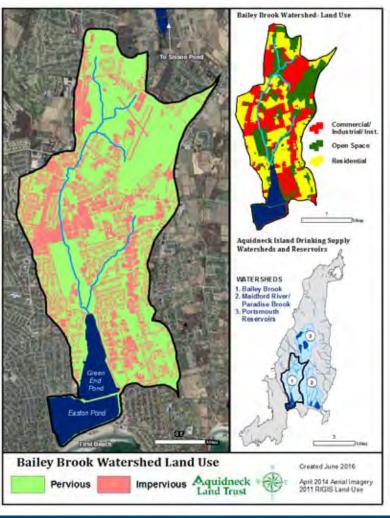








### **Remediation and Solutions**













# Green Infrastructure Job Training and Certification

Groundwork Providence Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council



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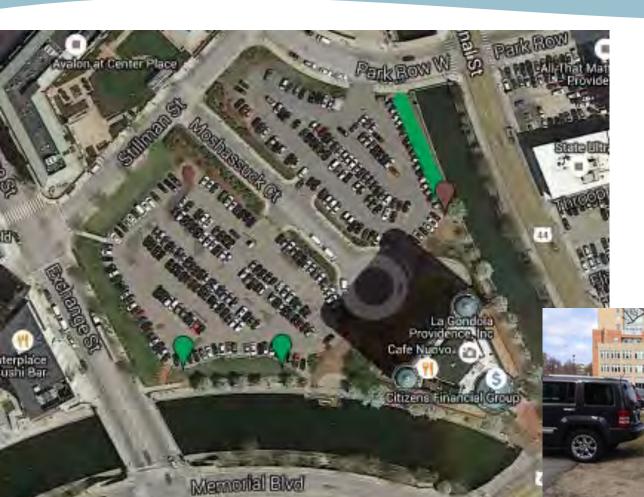


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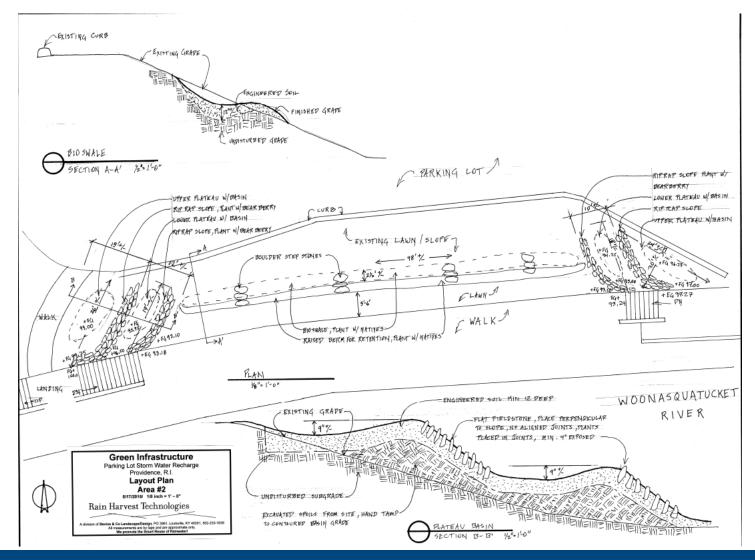
Workforce Development
Classroom Training
Field Experience



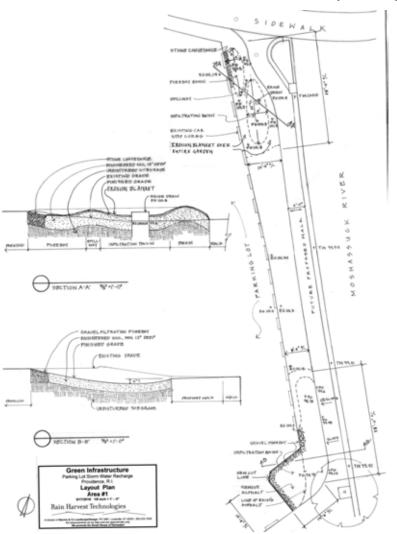


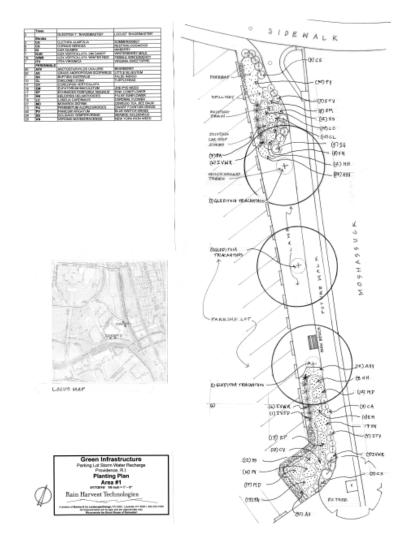
# Citizens Plaza Green Infrastructure Installations

### Preliminary Design – Woonasquatucket River side



### Preliminary Design – Moshassuck River Side





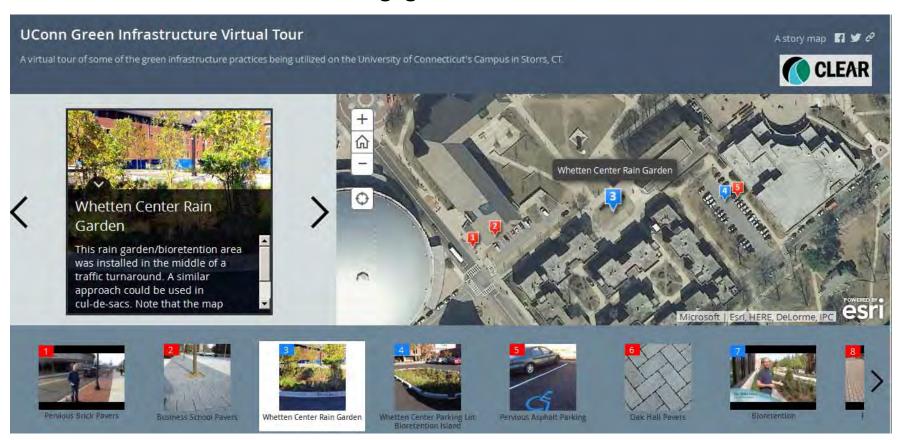


# Green Infrastructure Coalition's Two Year Plan



### Get a GRIP on Rhode Island's Coastline: Green and Resilient Infrastructure Planning

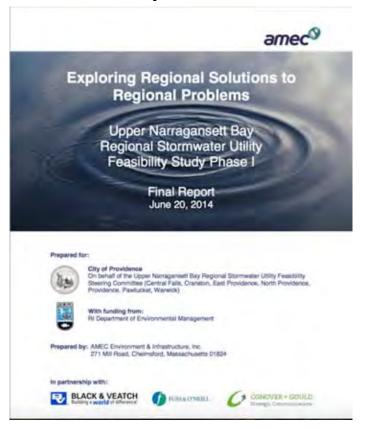
Storymaps use maps, images, and experience to share practical lessons and engage audiences.



### 2. Building Green Infrastructure into Neighborhoods and Creating Job Opportunities



# 3. Institutionalizing Nature Based Green Infrastructure Solutions at City And State Levels



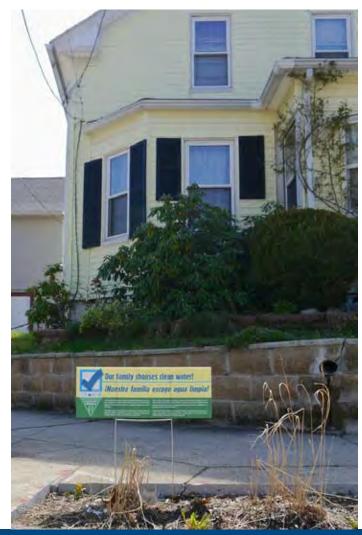






### 4. Building the Constituency for a System Approach to Green Infrastructure









### **2016 – 2017 Strategies**

Bringing nature to our neighborhoods

- to create healthy places
- soften climate change impacts
  - boost our economy
- Mapping and engaging the community
- Building GI into neighborhoods and creating local jobs
- 3. Building the constituency
- Institutionalizing GI solutions at the city and state level



## THANK YOU!

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