



DESIGN GUIDELINES

2023

Catawba Bend

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INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

The Catawba Bend Preserve Design Guidelines will aid future development of the Catawba Bend Preserve (CBP). The development of CBP is anticipated to occur through multiple phases over the course of several years.

The primary function of these Guidelines establish a cohesive design language throughout the CBP over the course of its development. This document describes design principles for the buildings, landscaping, and site amenities that are anticipated throughout the CBP as outlined in the October 4, 2021 Catawba Bend Master Plan.

The following Guidelines were developed with the guidance of York County Staff. It is understood that the need for special use buildings and amenities may be required for future development and that these guidelines may be modified or waived at the discretion of York County. Other variances and modifications to this document need York County approval.

The Design Concepts and Material Selections in this document identify unique attributes of the site (the area's rich cultural history, diverse landscapes, and its history of forestry) and opportunities to promote the visitor experience (how to engage visitors, promote environmental stewardship, encourage connectivity to nature, and emphasize the identity that is unique to this place)

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Design Guidelines

Building Elements



DESIGN ELEMENTS



ARTISTIC GATE

Commissioned entry gate as a statement and park identifier.



NATURAL STONE (NS-1)

Regional stone suggested as accent elements in building exterior and base.



PERIMETER FENCING

Perimeter fencing shall be composed of stone piers and wooden rails matching regional materials. Fencing shall incorporate opportunities for park identity.



GROUPED-LOG FENCE

On-site wood resources. Logs to weather naturally and create a monolithic entry feature that relates to the history as an experimental tree farm.



NATURAL PLANTINGS & APPROACH

Entry experience will be landscaped with native species and establish an allée approach as part of the formal access road.

Visitor Entrance



Visitor entrances should be highly visible, inviting, and provide a sense of arrival. Park entry identified with monumental signage that reflects the unique identity of CBP and incorporates natural elements with inspiration taken from the approved branding guidelines for the park. Attractive entrance barriers should be used as access control and site security. Lighting should be provided for entry elements and park signage.

Design Considerations

Entrance should be located to maximize visibility and provide efficient ingress and egress for vehicular, pedestrian, and non-motorized traffic. Configuration and location of the entry elements shall comply with all regulatory requirements including zoning and traffic. Decorative fencing adjacent to roadways should be provided near the entrance. A tree lined drive shall be incorporated near the main approach into the park. Landscaping shall be provided at the entry elements,

and the zones adjacent to it. See Site & Landscaping sections of this Guide for additional information. Signage, including current CBP and York County branding, should be incorporated.

Building Form

Massing and scale of the entry elements should be sized to be clearly visible from the roadway and in compliance with any regulatory requirements.

Overall height of entry elements

may vary in height, however, these are anticipated to be between 4 feet and 12 feet. Unique artistic elements such as decorative traffic control gates should be utilized where appropriate.

Exterior Materials

Stone, Exposed wood timber, decorative entrance gates should be used. Signage and logos should be incorporated in the entrance and should reflect current branding adopted by York County.

DESIGN ELEMENTS

**BOARD & BATTEN SIDING (BBS)**

Where used, exterior cladding shall reflect regional vernacular and prioritize longevity and ease of maintenance.

**NATURAL STONE (NS-1)**

Regional stone suggested as accent elements in building exterior and base.

**STANDING SEAM ROOF (SSR)**

Durable with modern lines

**PAINT COLORS (P)**

Where necessary, paint shall be limited to neutral earth tones that compliment the building context.

Fee Station

Where required, fee stations or kiosks will incorporate elements outlined in this Guide. Prefabricated stations are discouraged.

Design Considerations

Fee stations shall be located away from the immediate entrance to minimize the possibility of queuing traffic and interference with the roadway. Landscaping shall be incorporated at the roadway edges near the building and be used to screen HVAC equipment or service structures.

Building Form

Massing of the kiosk should be a simple building form with a gabled roof. Roof slope shall be from 7:12 and 10:12. Interior space shall have direct visibility to both entrance and exit drives and glazed sliding doors should be used to allow attendant to interact with visitors at the entrance drive.

Exterior Materials

Board and batten siding above a stone water table base shall be considered as the exterior material selections. Windows shall be prefinished metal. Roof shall be standing seam metal. See exterior material palette for paint and finish selections.

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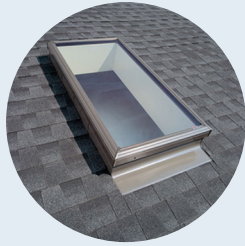
PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS

In addition to conventional power service, alternative energy sources should be considered when appropriate for the building use and site conditions.



GEOTHERMAL LOOP

As appropriate, ground source renewable energy to be considered for heating and cooling needs.



NATURAL LIGHT (W-1)

Interior lighting demand mitigated by introduction of natural light via skylights & slot windows.



PAINT COLORS (P)

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TONGUE & GROOVE SIDING & SOFFIT (TG-1)

Durable siding that weathers naturally with building. Wooden elements from on-site wood when appropriate.

Public Building



The public building typology refers to all accessory buildings within the park and does not include marquis structures (i.e. The Lodge or Environmental Education Center) specifically identified in the Master Plan. The building should be inviting to visitors and provide programmed space for guests and park management.

Design Considerations

Building should be sited for a high level of public visibility, with a vegetated buffer between parking areas and roadways to promote a connection to nature as a key visitor experience. A meandering walkway is established to approach the building to soften the buildings placement on the site. Solar orientation of the building should be considered to maximize views and minimize glare. Daylighting, natural materials, and environmental stewardship, are elements that should be incorporated and displayed as part of the building design.

Building Form

The building should emphasize public spaces and be arranged to provide clear views beyond the building. Public areas should incorporate large amounts of glazing shaded by building overhangs or other elements. Staff and support spaces should be secondary spaces with limited glazing. Roof slope shall be from 6:12 and 10:12. Design elements that emphasize a connection to the surrounding site should be considered.

Exterior Materials

Stone, exposed timber, board and batten siding, and glazed aluminum storefront or glazed aluminum curtain wall should be used. Roof shall be standing seam metal with exposed wood soffits and decking. See exterior material palette for paint and finish selections.

DESIGN ELEMENTS

Public Building

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**BOARD & BATTEN SIDING (BBS)**

Where used, exterior cladding shall reflect regional vernacular and prioritize longevity and ease of maintenance.

**EXPOSED TIMBER**

Heavy timber framing evocative of surrounding nature and connection to the site's history as an experimental seedling farm.

DESIGN ELEMENTS



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Picnic Shelters



Picnic Shelters describe open air structures intended for visitor day use. The design of these elements should be considered scalable for park implementation at various sites with the main module holding approximately 4 picnic tables of 8 feet in length. Other areas of implementation are envisioned as small 'stop and sit' shelters, or more expansive rentable pavilions programed to host large attendance events within the park. Larger structures should take into consideration proximity to parking and ease of access for hosted gatherings.

Design Considerations

Building location should be sited in locations convenient to day use areas. Related amenities such as visitor parking, comfort station, and information kiosks should be located nearby. Consider providing lighting, power, and cooking amenities nearby. Building design should reflect the park setting.

Building Form

The shelter will feature a single gable roof with a pitch ranging between 7:12 and 10:12 with an exposed heavy timber truss structure supported on stone piers. Typical shelters are anticipated to accommodate four, eight foot long picnic tables.

Exterior Materials

Stone and exposed timber structure should be used. Roof shall be standing seam metal with exposed decking. See exterior material palette for paint and finish selections.

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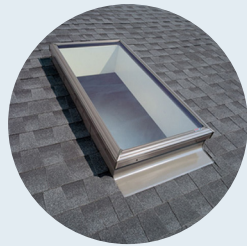
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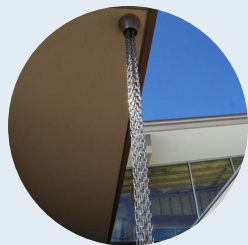
WATER COLLECTION & CONSERVATION

Water collection displayed as landscape elements to complement the building form.



NATURAL LIGHT (W-1)

Interior lighting demand mitigated by introduction of natural light via skylights & slot windows.



GUTTERS & RAIN CHAIN

Display of water management as features of the building



TONGUE & GROOVE SIDING (TG-1)

Durable siding that weathers naturally with building. Wooden elements from on-site wood when appropriate.

Primary Comfort Stations



Primary restrooms should be located near high traffic areas of the park. These facilities should be visible and welcoming to visitors with adjacent way-finding and park information. The building shall highlight efforts of site stewardship and conservation as appropriate.

Design Considerations

Building location should be convenient to day use areas. Related amenities such as visitor parking, picnic areas, and information kiosks should be located nearby. Incorporate sustainable design elements such as photovoltaic panels and rainwater collection devices into the building design. Natural lighting should be incorporated into the building design with obscure glazing or skylights.

Building Form

Massing of the building should be simple with single gabled roof. Roof slope shall be from 8:12 and 10:12. Roofs will end at the building edge and not extend beyond with overhangs. Gutters are suggested as a means of controlling run-off and directing water for on-site collection.

Exterior Materials

Exterior walls will be primarily stone with T&G siding as accent elements. Roof will be standing seam metal and structures secondary to the primary building form will be of heavy timber construction.

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Primary Comfort Stations

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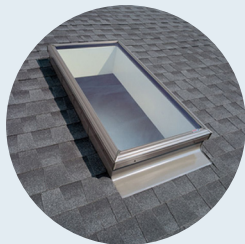
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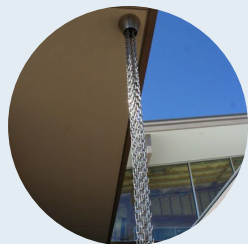
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TONGUE & GROOVE SIDING (TG-1)

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Remote Comfort Stations



Satellite restrooms should be located near picnic shelters at other key areas of the park. Design character and materials should be similar to primary restroom facility outlined above, at a smaller scale with combined or single user facilities in one structure instead of two. The building shall highlight efforts of site stewardship and conservation as appropriate.

Design Considerations

Building location should be sited in locations convenient to day use areas. Related amenities such as visitor parking, picnic areas, and information kiosks should be located nearby. Incorporate sustainable design elements such as photovoltaic panels and rainwater collection devices into the building design. Natural lighting should be incorporated into the building design with obscure glazing or skylights.

Building Form

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Exterior Materials

Exterior walls will be primarily stone with T&G siding as accent elements. Roof will be standing seam metal and structures secondary to the primary building form will be of heavy timber construction.

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Remote Comfort Stations

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Information Kiosk



Information kiosks provide basic visitor information such as maps, wayfinding, and regulations.

Design Considerations

Kiosks should be located at key directional points throughout the park and near related amenities such as visitor parking, picnic areas. Structures should be open air and highly visible. When located at trail heads or rest points consider integrated seating.

Building Form

Massing should be simple with single slope roof to cover kiosk information boards. Roof slope shall be shallow and not exceed 4:12 pitch.

Exterior Materials

Exposed timber structure should be used. Roof shall be standing seam metal. See exterior material palette for paint and finish selections.

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Site & Landscaping



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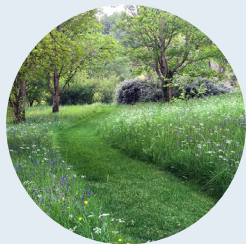
ENTRANCE ALLÉE

Formal access road lined with oak trees at least forty feet apart to establish a naturally shaded and scenic drive into the Preserve.



ENTRY PLANTINGS

Signage decorated with a diversity of beautiful native and flowering vegetation.



NATIVE GRASSES

A variety of grasses native to the landscape placed in pockets of meadows along entrance.



POLLINATOR PLANTS

Colorful flowers added to the meadows to attract butterflies and other pollinators to the landscape.



FENCING

Wooden fence met with rock and stone columns. See building elements for more details.



TURF GRASS

Turf grasses may be used minimally along the edge of the road and shoulder.

Park Entrance



Recommended Plant List for Entrance:

ENTRY-LINED OAKS

- White Oak
(*Quercus alba*)
- Pin Oak
(*Quercus palustris*)
- Red Oak
(*Quercus rubra*)
- Willow Oak
(*Quercus phellos*)
- Overcup Oak
(*Quercus lyrata*)
- Chestnut Oak
(*Quercus montana*)

MEADOW GRASSES

- Little Bluestem
(*Schizachyrium scoparium*)
- Virginia Wildrye
(*Elymus virginicus*)
- Switchgrass
(*Panicum virgatum*)
- Muhly Grass
(*Muhlenbergia capillaris*)
- Purpletop Tridens
(*Tridens flavus*)
- Yellow Indiangrass
(*Sorghastrum nutans*)
- Sedge Species
(*Carex* var.)

MEADOW FLOWERS

- Sweet Joe Pye Weed
(*Euthrochium purpureum*)
- Butterfly Weed
(*Asclepias tuberosa*)
- Black-Eyed Susan
(*Rudbeckia hirta*)
- Lanceleaf Tickseed
(*Coreopsis lanceolata*)
- Carolina Rose
(*Rosa carolina*)
- Common Yarrow
(*Achillea millefolium*)
- Purple Coneflower
(*Echinacea purpurea*)

DESIGN ELEMENTS



REMOVAL OF INVASIVES

Clear out overgrown and invasive vegetation that screens the appealing views of the Catawba.



MINIMAL IS BETTER

Vegetation located beside waterway shall resemble natural form while appearing groomed of undesired debris.



TRANSITION VEGETATION

Existing flowering plants and native wetland grasses that create a natural buffer into waterway.



NATURAL EDGE

Addition of rugged boulders and rocks to provide a formal border, common to the site.



ACCESS TO RIVER

Existing flowering plants and native wetland grasses that create a natural buffer into waterway.

River Bank



Recommended Plant List for Removal:

INVASIVE VEGETATION

- Tree of Heaven
(*Ailanthus altissima*)
- Japanese Privet
(*Ligustrum japonicum*)
- Mimosa, Silk Tree
(*Albizia julibrissin*)
- Thorny Olive
(*Elaeagnus pungens*)
- Meadowsweet
(*Spiraea japonica*)
- Japanese Barberry
(*Berberis thunbergii*)
- Nandina
(*Nandina domestica*)

INVASIVE VINES

- Kudzu
(*Pueraria montana*)
- Japanese Climbing Fern
(*Lygodium japonicum*)
- Chinese Wisteria
(*Wisteria sinensis*)
- English Ivy
(*Hedera helix*)
- Japanese Honeysuckle
(*Lonicera japonica*)
- Bigleaf Periwinkle
(*Vinca major*)
- Bushkiller
(*Cayratia japonica*)

INVASIVE GRASSES

- Cogongrass
(*Imperata cylindrica*)
- Chinese Silvergrass
(*Miscanthus sinensis*)
- Common Reed
(*Phragmites australis*)
- Golden Bamboo
(*Phyllostachys aurea*)
- Silver Pampas Grass
(*Cortaderia selloana*)
- Nepalese Browntop
(*Microstegium vimineum*)

DESIGN ELEMENTS

**WATER EDGE ACCESS**

Ponds shall be linked to trail systems and pedestrian boardwalks at limited points of access through landscape.

**MINIMAL IS BETTER**

Restore and maintain the natural plantings that diversify pond areas.

**REMOVAL OF INVASIVES**

Minimal reintroduction of healthy pond plants to enhance the biodiversity.

**LOW MAINTENANCE**

All landscape elements along pond edge to be simplified and resilient for future growth.

**AQUATIC PLANTS**

Designated pond perimeter plants shall be able to thrive in submerged water conditions and filter the pond's water.

**RISING WATER**

Surrounding landscape designed to account for seasonal changes in the pond's water levels.

Ponds and Streams

**Recommended Plant List for Ponds:****AQUATIC VEGETATION**

- Coontail
(*Ceratophyllum demersum*)
- Gray Fanwort
(*Cabomba caroliniana*)
- Little Floating Heart
(*Nymphaoides cordata*)
- Tape Grass
(*Vallisneria americana*)
- Underwater Banana
(*Nymphaoides aquatica*)
- American Lotus
(*Nelumbo lutea*)
- Hard Water Lillies
(*Nymphaea* var.)

SHORELINE PLANTS

- Umbrella Palm
(*Cyperus alternifolius*)
- Elephant Ear
(*Colocasia esculenta*)
- Native Water Canna
(*Canna flaccida*)
- Club Rush
(*Schoenoplectus lacustris*)
- Sweet Flag
(*Acornus calamus*)
- Horsetail
(*Equisetum arvense*)
- Butterfly Ginger
(*Hedychium coronarium*)

INVASIVE PLANTS

- Uruguay Primrose
(*Ludwigia uruguayensis*)
- Brazilian Elodea
(*Egeria densa*)
- Giant Salvinia
(*Salvinia molesta*)
- Duck Lettuce
(*Ottelia alismoides*)
- Common Reed
(*Phragmites australis*)
- Water Hyacinth
(*Pontederia crassipes*)
- African Oxygenweed
(*Lagarosiphon major*)
- Exotic Burreed
(*Sparganium erectum*)
- Water Chestnut
(*Tapa natans*)
- Hydrilla
(*Hydrilla verticillata*)
- Floating Heart
(*Nymphaoides peltata*)
- Mosquito Fern
(*Azolla pinnata*)
- Alligatorweed
(*Alternanthera phuloxeroides*)

DESIGN ELEMENTS



DEEP WATER

Limited plant materials available in this region capable of surviving in a depth of 1-6 feet of water.



SHALLOW WATER

Vegetation capable of surviving in a depth of 1 foot of water to the top of the permanent pool.



SEMI-WET (ZONE A)

Capable of surviving along the edge of the permanent pool and up to 1 foot above the pool.



SEMI-WET (ZONE B)

Survive up to 4 feet above the normal pool and subject to saturated soil after flooding.



MINIMAL IS BETTER

Selective and intentional plantings; Less disturbance the better to enhance the natural ecosystem.



REMOVAL OF INVASIVES

Extract overgrown, harmful, and aggressive plantings from wetland regions.

Wetland Vegetation



Recommended Plant List for Wetland Zones:

STANDING WATER AREAS:

- Cardinal Flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*)
- Lance-leaf Arrowhead (*Sagittaria lancifolia*)
- Pickerelweed (*Pontederia cordata*)
- Softstem Bulrush (*Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani*)
- Swamp Lily (*Crinum pedunculatum*)
- Virginia Chain Fern (*Woodwardia virginica*)
- American Water Lotus (*Nelumbo lutea*)

- Soft Rush (*Juncus effusus*)
- Fragrant Water Lilly (*Nymphaea odorata*)
- Yellow Water Lilly (*Nuphar lutea*)
- Bald Cypress (*Taxodium distichum*)
- Pond Cypress (*Taxodium distichum* var. *imbricarium*)

- Bushy Broom Grass (*Andropogon glomeratus*)
- Cinnamon Fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*)
- False Nettle (*Boehmeria cylindrica*)
- Royal Fern (*Osmunda regalis*)
- Upland Sea-Oats (*Chasmanthium latifolium*)
- Swamp Tupelo (*Nyssa biflora*)

SEMI-WET (ZONE A):

- Black Willow (*Salix nigra*)
- Pond Pine (*Pinus serotina*)
- Sweetbay Magnolia (*Magnolia virginiana*)
- River Birch (*Betula nigra*)
- Water Oak (*Quercus nigra*)
- Willow Oak (*Quercus phellos*)

(ZONE B):

- Forsythia (*Forsythia suspensa*)
- Hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*)
- Ironweed (*Vernonia noveboracensis*)
- Yellow Indiangrass (*Sorghastrum nutans*)
- Spiked Gayfeather (*Liatris spicata*)
- Black Tupelo (*Nyssa sylvatica*)

DESIGN ELEMENTS

**DIVERSITY**

Oaks, maples, and other beautiful fall foliage trees, dispersed throughout the upland landscape.

**SCALE**

The forest vegetation shall vary in size while providing a high ceiling of shade coverage to travelers.

**VEGETATION**

Native flowering trees and shrubs maintained along paths to create a natural deciduous forest.

**LINKAGE**

System of low-impact nature trails and scenic paths connected for pedestrian leisure.

**ROCK OUTCROP**

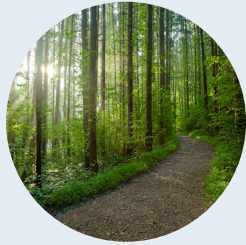
Exposed rock and stone visible through the upland forest floor and landscape.

Deciduous Upland Forest

**Recommended List of Natives:**

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| - Red Maple
(<i>Acer rubrum</i>) | - Willow Oak
(<i>Quercus phellos</i>) | - Red Mulberry
(<i>Morus rubra</i>) |
| - Big Leaf Maple
(<i>Acer macrophylla</i>) | - Red Oak
(<i>Quercus rubra</i>) | - Bitternut Hickory
(<i>Carya cordiformis</i>) |
| - Southern Magnolia
(<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>) | - Green Ash
(<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>) | - Hackberry
(<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>) |
| - Bald Cypress
(<i>Taxodium distichum</i>) | - American Elm
(<i>Ulmus americana</i>) | - Black Gum
(<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>) |
| - American Beech
(<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>) | - Winged Elm
(<i>Ulmus alata</i>) | - American Hollies
(<i>Ilex opacta</i>) |
| - Post Oak
(<i>Quercus stellata</i>) | - Sassafras
(<i>Sassafras albidum</i>) | |

DESIGN ELEMENTS



FOREST TRAILS

Scenic pedestrian & hiking paths formed through site to engage the dense forest environment.



FOREST FLOOR

Specific regions of pine forest left natural and untouched. Floor shall be native ground covers.



TRANSITION SPACES

Trailways and paths to pine forest shall be surrounded by staggered evergreen plants and trees.



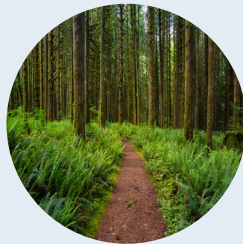
SHRUBS AND GRASSES

Minimal reintroduction of healthy shrubs and plants to enhance the biodiversity entering the forest.



EVERGREEN PLANTS

Vegetation located within pine forest shall cast a tall canopy of shade for travelers, year-round.



PRESERVATION

Historically connected & man-made areas shall have minimal disturbance with a natural edge and cleared of debris.

Evergreen Pine Forest



Recommended List of Evergreens & Pines:

EVERGREEN PLANTINGS

- Inkberry Holly (*Ilex glabra*)
- Evergreen Witch Hazel (*Distylium myricoides*)
- Black Haw (*Viburnum prunifolium*)
- Yaupon Holly (*Ilex vomitoria*)
- American Holly (*Ilex opaca*)
- Fragrant Tea Olive (*Osmanthus x fortunei*)
- Southern Magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*)

NATIVE PINE TREES

- Loblolly Pine (*Pinus taeda*)
- Longleaf Pine (*Pinus palustris*)
- Eastern White Pine (*Pinus strobus*)
- Virginia Pine (*Pinus virginiana*)
- Cedar Pine (*Pinus glabra*)
- Pond Pine (*Pinus serotina*)

ADDITIONAL PLANTINGS

- Sweetbay (*Gordonia lasianthus*)
- Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*)
- Eastern Hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*)
- Dogwood Species (*Cornus* var.)
- Redbud Species (*Cercis* var.)
- Wire Grass (*Aristida stricta*)

DESIGN ELEMENTS



RAIN GARDENS

Collects and absorbs storm water to prevent immediate runoff from impervious site surfaces.



EXISTING SYSTEMS

Bioretention areas on site shall be cleared of debris and improved with fresh mulch for future use.



BIORETENTION BASINS

Essential in the removal of pollutants, waste materials, and treating stormwater before allowing re-entry into waterway.



BIOSWALES

Introduction of vegetation to beautify hardscapes while being the most effective practice to slow runoff velocity and cleanse water.



EDUCATION ELEMENTS

All vegetation for bioretention systems shall be noted by signage. Signs to describe and explain water conservation and stewardship within systems.



LOW MAINTENANCE

All landscaped areas shall be easily accessible, planted accordingly, and resilient for future matienance.

Bioretention Systems



Recommended Plant List for Bioretention Systems:

TREES

- Bald Cypress
(*Taxodium distichum*)
- American Witchhazel
(*Hamamelis virginiana*)
- Swamp White Oak
(*Quercus bicolor*)
- Black Tupelo
(*Nyssa Sylvatica*)
- River Birch
(*Quercus nigra*)
- Swamp Chestnut
(*Quercus michauxii*)
- Sweet Bay Magnolia
(*Magnolia virginiana*)

SHRUBS

- American Beautyberry
(*Passiflora incarnata*)
- Red Twig Dogwood
(*Cornus servicea*)
- Sweet Pepperbush
(*Clethra alnifolia*)
- Winterberry
(*Ilex verticillata*)
- Virginia Sweetspire
(*Itea virginica*)
- Spice Bush
(*Lindera benzoin*)
- Swamp Hibiscus
(*Hibiscus coccineus*)

FLOWERS

- Prairie Dropseed
(*Sporobolus heterolepis*)
- Virginia Wildrye
(*Elymus virginicus*)
- Yellow Iris
(*Iris pseudacorus*)
- Blue Flag
(*Iris versicolor*)
- Black-Eyed Susan
(*Rudbeckia hirta*)
- Swamp Sunflower
(*Helianthus angustifolus*)
- Sweet Joe Pye Weed
(*Eutrochium purpureum*)

GRASSES

- Little Bluestem
(*Passiflora incarnata*)
- Broom Sedge
(*Andropogon virginicus*)
- Muhly Grass
(*Muhlenbergia capillaris*)
- Switchgrass Species
(*Panicum var.*)

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BUILDING PLANTINGS

The edge of site structures shall be decorated with low-rising and beautiful native plants.



EMBRACING ECOSYSTEM

Highlight the surrounding environment by including specimen plantings in the disturbed areas.



WATER COLLECTION

Features installed in building landscape to assist in irrigation. Educational signage to explain importance of conservation.



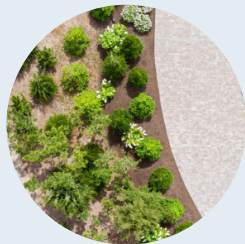
PLANT SELECTION

Introduction of healthy native plants to enhance the biodiversity of the Preserve.



PARKING ISLANDS

Concrete islands placed within parking lot to break up the hardscape surface and reintroduce shade for visitors.



HARDSCAPE PLANTERS

Built planters located within hardscape plazas to incorporate vegetation into site features.

Parking Lot & Building Landscapes



Recommended List of Plantings:

CANOPY TREES

- London Plane
(*Platanus acerifolia*)
- Shumard Oak
(*Quercus x shumardii*)
- Willow Oak
(*Quercus phellos*)
- Tulip Poplar
(*Liriodendron tulipifera*)
- Japanese Zelkova
(*Zelkova serrata*)
- Red Oak
(*Quercus rubra*)

SHRUBS

- Loropetalum
(*Loropetalum Chinensis*)
- Virginia Sweetspire
(*Itea virginica*)
- Anise
(*Illicium floridanum*)
- Hydrangeas
(*Hydrangea* var.)
- Abelia Species
(*Abelia* var.)
- Azalea Species
(*Rhododendron* var.)

OTHER PLANTS

- Great Blue Lobelia
(*Lobelia siphilitica*)
- Cardinal Flower
(*Lobelia cardinalis*)
- Coneflower Species
(*Echinacea* var.)
- Lantana Species
(*Lantana* var.)
- Arborvitae
(*Thuja* var.)
- Holly Species
(*Ilex* var.)

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PICNIC TABLES

Selection shall appear organic, constructed from natural wooden beams and steel, & may have an overhead covering to protect against the sun and rain.



SEATWALLS

Located along hardscape boundaries for rest, seats constructed from FSC hardwood and CorTen steel. Seatwalls may also be made from concrete or stone.



SITE BENCHES

Steel, wood, and stone formed benches dispersed for public rest. Variations presented with and without seat backs, while all shall be durable & modern in design.



Site Furnishings



FORM

Site furnishings shall vary in form based on the specific design element. Seating structures shall be large in scale and spacious to accommodate multiple park travelers together. All site furnishings shall appear sleek and modern in form while relating to the surrounding environment. Materiality of furnishings shall favor an organic wooden appearance when available to accent the nature of the Greenway.

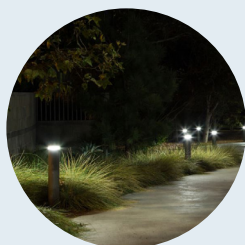
FUNCTION

The features to be included in the design of the Catawba Preserve assist in the appeal of the park but are essential in the usability of the site. Tables, benches, and seatwalls function as spaces for resting, viewing, shelter and public gathering. Incorporate solar lighting and charging locations into furnishings as necessary.

AESTHETIC

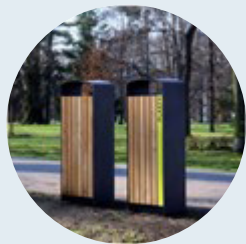
The appeal of modern furnishings drives the Greenway to become an overall futuristic landscape for years to come. Solar panel charging capabilities and sleek metal or steel elements mixed into natural wood elements shall amplify this theme. All site items shall relate to the greater ecosystem that it is within so that travelers receive a sense of place without feeling unbalanced from the surrounding natural environment with overly-contemporary furnishings.

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EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Modern, metal and wood finished lights located along primary walks and site plazas. Introduction of solar panels for green lighting.



TRASH RECEPTACLES

Metal trash collections to be located frequently along the Preserve. Variations available to deter wildlife from access.



BIKE RACKS

Formed metal circles for temporary bike storage will be most common. Unique and organic wood featured racks highlighted near forest trails.

Site Furnishings



FORM

Site exterior lighting to follow the form and flow of hardscape walkways and border the extents of plaza spaces. Exterior lighting shall be located along sidewalks as low-rising pillars and larger light poles shall be used between hardscape areas, parking lots, and around building exteriors. Trash receptacles shall be prevalent amongst picnic and gathering areas, but found throughout park to control debris. Bike racks are intended to be located near building hardscapes and forest trailways for temporary storage.

FUNCTION

Exterior lighting to be frequently spaced along walks to provide ample safety to afternoon travelers. Trash receptacles to be secured from wildlife and plentiful in quantity to keep the Greenway clean of debris. Receptacles to be also located within Upland Forest and Pine Forest to minimize potential litter. Bike racks to serve as short-term storage for park travelers with the addition of a lock system incorporated into furnishing design to prevent theft.

AESTHETIC

All of the exterior lighting shall be sleek and modern in design, but not out of place within the Preserve's natural environment. Light poles shall be constructed of wooden materials and metal forms to provide sense of relation to the surrounding area. Trash receptacles shall be approached in the same manner with modern and durable materials to beautify these site furnishings. Bike racks can be constructed as modern and simple metal forms or appear as a natural wooden trunk to further relate to the surrounding environment.

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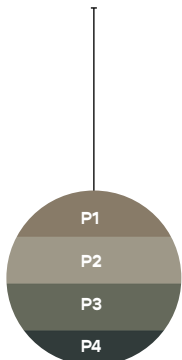
Exterior Materials



BBS Board & Batten Siding
Basis of Design: Haride Panel
Color: P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4
Finish: 18"-24" Board Panel Width, 1x2 Batten



NS-1 Blended Regional Sandstone
Style: Drystack - no exposed grout
Size: Irregular, blended stone sizes
Finish: Natural Cleft / Tumbled Stone



P-1 (Exterior Paint)
Basis of Design: Sherwin Williams
Color: SW 2820 – Downing Earth
Finish: TBD

P-2 (Exterior Paint)
Basis of Design: Sherwin Williams
Color: SW 9126 – Honed Soapstone
Finish: TBD

P-3 (Exterior Paint)
Basis of Design: Sherwin Williams
Color: SW 6187 – Rosemary
Finish: TBD

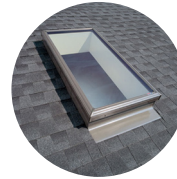
P-4 (Exterior Paint)
Basis of Design: Sherwin Williams
Color: SW 2809 – Rookwood Shutter Green
Finish: TBD



SSR (Standing Seam Roof)
Basis of Design: McElroy Metal
Size: 12"-16" Panels with 1.5" tall Seams
Finish: Painted Finish, Slate Gray of Manufacturer Equivalent



TG-1 (Tongue & Groove Siding, Soffits and Exposed Decking)
Description: Natural Wood Product
Size: 4"-6" wide with "V" Edge Profile
Finish: Clear Finish



W-1 (Window Frame)
Descriptions: Aluminum Storefront or Aluminum Clad Wood
Finish: Dark Bronze Anodic or Painted P-4

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