

Eagles Mere Conservancy, Inc.
 Thoroughgood Property Restoration
 Project Manager: Charles Gardner
 1999 Grant Award: \$ 32,315

Thoroughgood Property Restoration planned and implemented remediation and restoration within 131 acres of open and forested land owned by the Eagles Mere Conservancy. The project enhanced the recreational and historic features of the property while expanding the Conservancy’s educational programs. Hazardous tree remediation was of importance on the public site. Additionally, wetland areas were delineated and native trees and shrubs were planted. Grading on the site was done to improve drainage of the lawn area and enhancement of the new wetland meadow.

Project Accomplishments

- Planted 36 trees including 3 evergreens, 33 deciduous, 34 canopy, and 2 flowering. 6 trees were bareroot stock;
- Bernard Dincher of Totally Trees Inc., Certified Arborist, conducted a tree inventory;
- Created a forest stewardship plan that included mapping of all forested areas with descriptions and recommendations for management;
- John Hall of LDR International, landscape architect, created a plan for the project site;
- Pruned 6 and removed 13 hazardous trees;
- Ground 30 stumps;
- Established both a woodland and a riparian trail, with a total length of about 1/2 mile;
- Cleared 2,234 cubic yards of debris and fill material;
- Removed 2 underground fuel storage tanks, 1 unsafe wood frame cottage, 1 abandoned overhead electrical wire, 6 utility poles, 2 abandoned buildings, 10 rusted metal outdoor lamps, and a concrete slab measuring 16’ x 20’;
- Planted 47 acres of the project site; and
- Added 320 cubic yards of topsoil to the site.

Project Value and Match

Grant Award	\$32,315
Cash Contributions	\$32,315
In-kind Contributions	<u>\$ 4,445</u>
Total Project Value	\$69,075

Project Partnerships

- Dincher & Dincher Tree Surgeons – \$1,200 worth of pruning and removal of tree stumps
- Eagles Mere Conservancy officers – 154 hours of planning meetings
- Secretarial work – 40 hours
- Totally Trees, Inc. – \$145 of hazard tree assessment work
- Volunteer labor – 123 hours

