

Design and Maintenance

CREATING A STRONGER LINK

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Example Project : Machias Elementary School

Snohomish School District

Landscape Architect : Weisman Design Group

Architect: NAC Architecture

General Contractor: Graham Contracting

Landscape and Irrigation Contractor: Scapes Landscape

Maintenance: Snohomish School District Staff

Pre-design process

- WDG met with stakeholders to define use and maintenance goals.

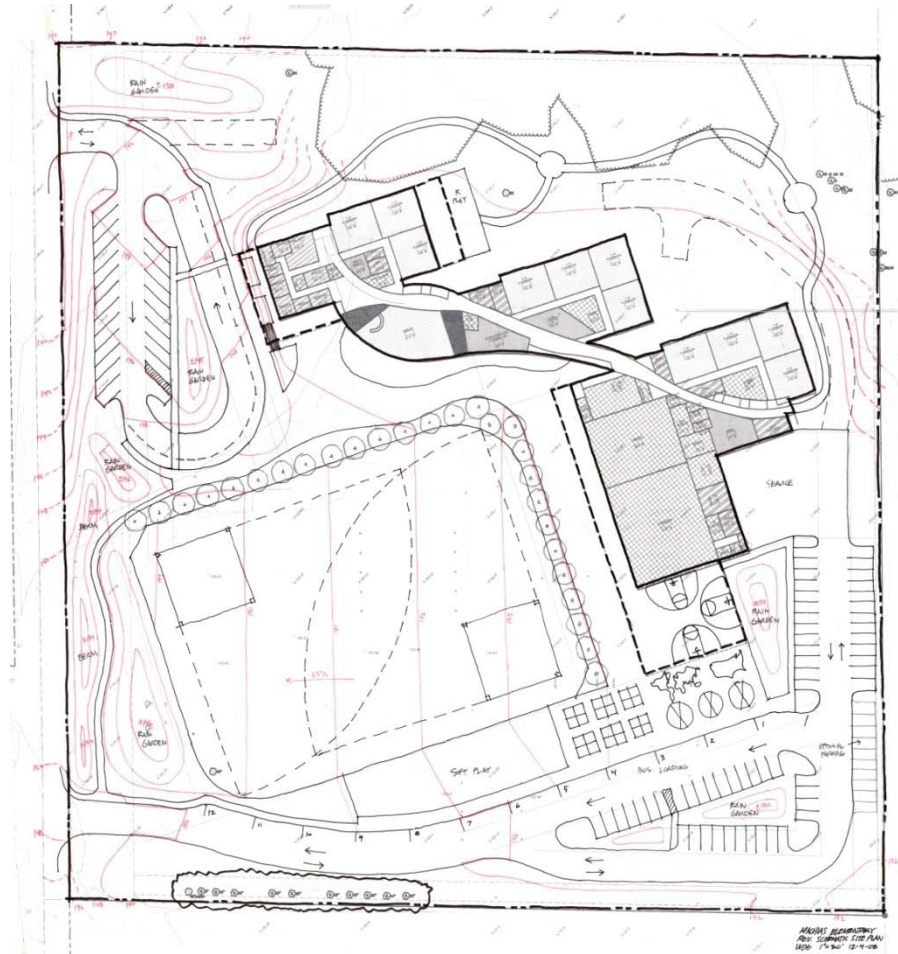
Maintenance staff objectives	Sustainability committee objectives
Basic low maintenance landscapes	Drought tolerant and native plants
More lawn and concrete	Less irrigation intensive lawns
Less planting beds	Rain gardens and on site infiltration
Mow strips to reduce string trimming	Visible stormwater as educational tool
Weed barrier under paths	Use less chemicals
Minimize features to maintain under	Reuse on site water
Anti-skateboard devices or features	Natural features/play areas
Lasting furniture and play equipment	Re-use on site materials
Irrigate lawn areas only Limit lawn slopes to 4:1 where possible	Temporary irrigation at shrub areas

Context



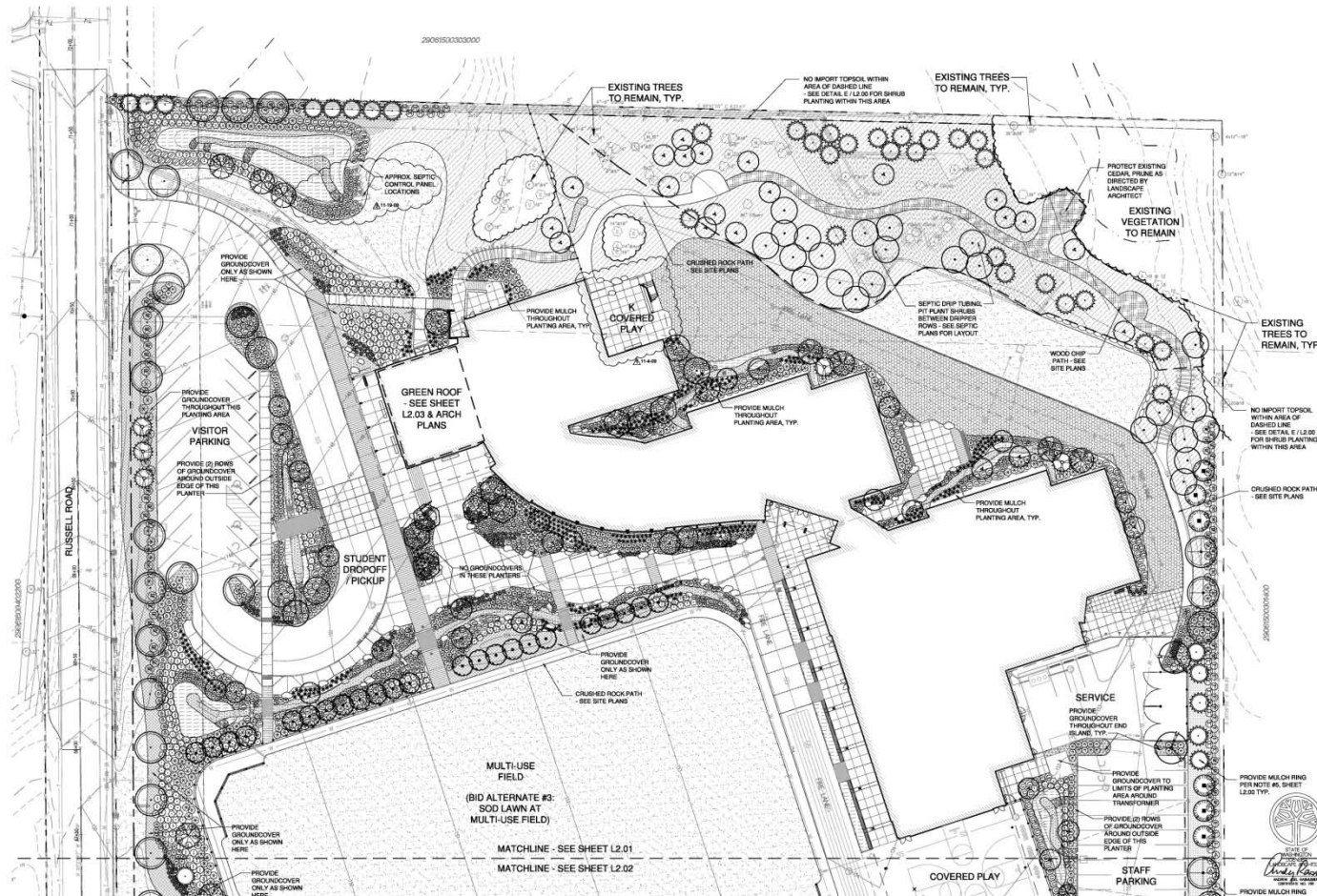
Neighbors are farms, large lots, and Pilchuck River

Early Design Decisions



Consolidate lawn at play field. Preserve trees in corner of site. Nature path concept

Final Site-Landscape Plan North



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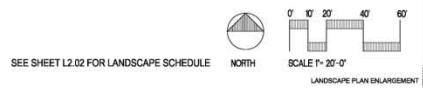
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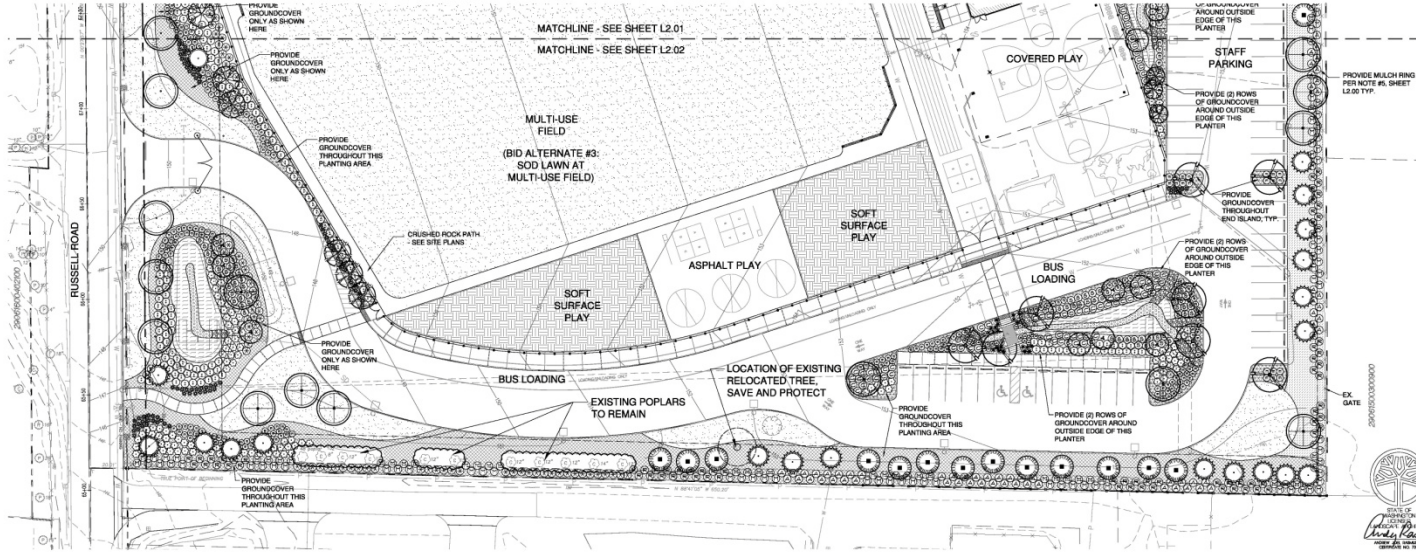
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Final Site-Landscape Plan South



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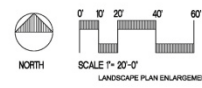
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LANDSCAPE SCHEDULE

SYMBOL	BOTANICAL/COMMON NAME	SIZE/CONDITION/REMARKS	SYMBOL	BOTANICAL/COMMON NAME	SIZE/CONDITION/REMARKS	SYMBOL	BOTANICAL/COMMON NAME	SIZE/CONDITION/REMARKS
	DECIDUOUS SHADE TREES	SPACING AS SHOWN ON PLAN		LARGE AND MEDIUM SHRUBS (CONT.)	SPACING AS SHOWN ON PLAN		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	ACER RUBRUM OCTOBER GLORY	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	①	ROSA RUBIDA	MIN. 18-24" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.		CAREX OBLONGATA (BOTTOM) / BANK	PROVIDE EQUAL QUANTITIES OF EACH. 1 GAL. POTS @ 18" O.C. TRIANGULAR SPACING. PLANT SPECIES THAT TOLERATE DEEPER WATER LEVELS AT BOTTOM OF SWALE.
	OCTOBER GLORY RED MAPLE	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	②	ROSA ROSEA	MIN. 18-24" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.		CAREX STYPATA (BOTTOM) / BANK	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	FRAXINUS PENN. 'PATMORE'	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	③	RUBUS SPECIABILIS	MIN. 18-24" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.		ROUGH SEED	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	PATMORE GREEN ASH	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	④	SALICORPERNA	MIN. 18-24" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT. MIN. (3) CANES		BIO-INFILTRATION AREA PLANTING MIX	
	BETULA JACOBINONTI	SPECIMEN, MIN. 3" CALIPER, 20' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑤	SYMPHYCARPUS ALBUS	MIN. 18-24" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT. MIN. (3) CANES		CAREX OBLONGATA (BOTTOM) / BANK	PROVIDE EQUAL QUANTITIES OF EACH. 1 GAL. POTS @ 18" O.C. TRIANGULAR SPACING. PLANT SPECIES THAT TOLERATE DEEPER WATER LEVELS AT BOTTOM OF SWALE.
	JACOBINONTI BIRCH	SPECIMEN, MIN. 3" CALIPER, 20' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑥	COMMON SWEETWOOD	MIN. 18-24" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT. MIN. (3) CANES		CAREX STYPATA (BOTTOM) / BANK	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	POPULUS MORGA ITALICA	SPECIMEN, MIN. 4" CALIPER, 20' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB. SEE SPECIFICATIONS FOR REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PURCHASING THESE TREES.	⑦	SMALL SHRUBS AND ACCENT PLANTS	SPACING AS SHOWN ON PLAN		ROUGH SEED	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	LOMBARDY POPLAR	SPECIMEN, MIN. 4" CALIPER, 20' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB. SEE SPECIFICATIONS FOR REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PURCHASING THESE TREES.	⑧	CORNUS BYRONIENSIS 'KELSEY'	MIN. 2 GAL. CONT., MIN. 18-19" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	POPULUS TREMULOIDES	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑨	KELSEY DOGWOOD	MIN. 2 GAL. CONT., MIN. 18" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY		CAREX STYPATA (BOTTOM) / BANK	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	QUAKING ASPEN	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑩	MAHONIA A. 'COMPACTA'	MIN. 2 GAL. CONT., MIN. 18" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY		ROUGH SEED	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	QUERCUS COCOINEA	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑪	COMPACT OREGON GRAPE	MIN. 2 GAL. CONT., FULL AND BUSHY		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	SCARLET OAK	MIN. 2" CALIPER, 12'-14" HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑫	HELICTISCHON SEMPERVIRENS	MIN. 2 GALLON CONT., FULL AND BUSHY		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	DECIDUOUS ORNAMENTAL TREES	SPACING AS SHOWN ON PLAN	⑬	BLUE GRASSES	MIN. 2 GALLON CONT., FULL AND BUSHY		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	ACER CIRCINATUM	MULTI-STEMMED, MIN. (3) 1-1/2" CALIPER TRUNKS, 10-12' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑭	POLYSTICHUM MUNITUM	MIN. 2 GALLON CONT., MIN. (1) HEALTHY FRONDS, FULL AND BUSHY		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	VINE MAPLE	MULTI-STEMMED, MIN. (3) 1-1/2" CALIPER TRUNKS, 10-12' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑮	SWORD FERN	MIN. 2 GALLON CONT., FULL AND BUSHY		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	AMELANCHER ALNFOLIA	MULTI-STEMMED, MIN. (3) 1-1/2" CALIPER TRUNKS, 10-12' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑯	GROUND COVER MIX			BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	SASKATOON SERVICEBERRY	MULTI-STEMMED, MIN. (3) 1-1/2" CALIPER TRUNKS, 10-12' HT. MIN., WELL-BRANCHED, BAB.	⑰	ARCTOTAPHYLOS UVA URSI	1 GAL. POTS @ 18" O.C. TRIANGULAR SPACING, START FIRST ROW 1" FROM EDGE OF PLANTING AREA. PROVIDE EQUAL QUANTITIES OF EACH. PLANT IN DRIFTS OF 7-10.		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	EVERGREEN TREES	SPACING AS SHOWN ON PLAN	⑱	KINNIKINNICK	1 GAL. POTS @ 18" O.C. TRIANGULAR SPACING, START FIRST ROW 1" FROM EDGE OF PLANTING AREA. PROVIDE EQUAL QUANTITIES OF EACH. PLANT IN DRIFTS OF 7-10.		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	PSEUDOTSUGA MENZIESII	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB	⑲	FRAGARIA CHLIDENSI	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	DOUGLAS FIR	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB	⑳	WILD STRAWBERRY	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	THUJA PLICATA 'NOGAI'	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB	㉑	GALL THIERIA SHALLOH	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	HOOGAN CEDAR	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB	㉒	SALAL	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	THUJA PLICATA	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB	㉓	MAHONIA REPENS	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	WESTERN RED CEDAR	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB	㉔	CREeping MAHONIA	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	LARGE AND MEDIUM SHRUBS	SPACING AS SHOWN ON PLAN	㉕	POLYSTICHUM MUNITUM	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	AMBITUS UNDEC 'COMPACTA'	MIN. 24-30" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉖	SWORD FERN	MIN. 8" HT., FULL & BUSHY TO BASE, BAB		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	COMPACT STRAWBERRY TREE	MIN. 18-24" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉗	NATIVE UNDERSTORY MIX	2 GAL. POTS, MIN. 18" HT. @ 30" O.C. PROVIDE EQUAL QUANTITIES OF EACH. SEE DETAIL #1 L2.08 FOR SHRUB PLANTING WITHIN DASHED LIMITS OF "NO IMPORT TOPSOIL".		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	CORNUS SERICEA 'NANANT'	MIN. 24-30" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉘	AMELANCHER ALNFOLIA	RUBUS SPECIABILIS	OMELERIA CERASIFORMIS	BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	ISANTH RED TWIG DOGWOOD	MIN. 24-30" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉙	SALICORPERNA	ROSA FLUM	MAHONIA NEVADENSIS	BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	MAHONIA AQUICOLOR	MIN. 24-30" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉚	CORYLUS CORINATA	POLYSTICHUM MUNITUM	DULL OREGON GRAPE	BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	TALL OREGON GRAPE	MIN. 24-30" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉛	WESTERN HAZELBERRY	SWORD FERN	MAHONIA NEVADENSIS	BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	MYRICA CALIFORNICA	MIN. 24-30" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉜	VACCINIUM OXYMUM	GALL THIERIA SHALLOH	CORNUS SERICEA	BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	PACIFIC WALNUTLEAF	MIN. 24-30" HT., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉝	EVERGREEN HICOLEBERTY	SALAL	RETINGE DOGWOOD	BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	REBE SAMPSONIUM	MIN. 18-24" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉞	KINNIKINNICK GROUND COVER	ARCTOTAPHYLOS UVA URSI		BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	RED FLOWERING CURSANT	MIN. 18-24" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㉟				BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	ROSA NUTKANNA	MIN. 18-24" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㊱				BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS
	ROSE	MIN. 18-24" HT. & SPR., FULL & BUSHY, BAB OR CONT.	㊲				BIOSCREENING	SEE SPECIFICATIONS



Overall Landscape Plan



MACHIAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LANDSCAPE PLAN RENDERING

Nearly Completed



Sustainable design features

The school was designed to meet the Washington sustainable schools protocol

Building sustainable features	Site sustainable features
100 Kw photovoltaic system on gym roof	Drought tolerant and native plants
Ground source heating loop under field	50% reduction in irrigation water use
Low emitting materials	Rain gardens and 100% on site infiltration
Re-use of materials from existing school	Reduction in below grade storm water pipe
Natural day-lighting to reduce energy use	Reuse of existing materials
Super insulated building shell	Reuse of existing play equipment
View of nature from all classrooms	No offsite sewer discharge
Recycling during and after construction	Grass pave fire lane
No fossil fuel use for heating/cooling	Demonstration green roof

Sustainable design features



- On site storm water infiltration

Sustainable design features



- Outdoor learning areas

Sustainable design features



- Reuse of existing materials

Sustainable design features



- Demonstration green roof

Installation maintenance issues



- Removal of invasive blackberry

Installation maintenance issues



- Spring install of rain gardens

Ongoing maintenance issues



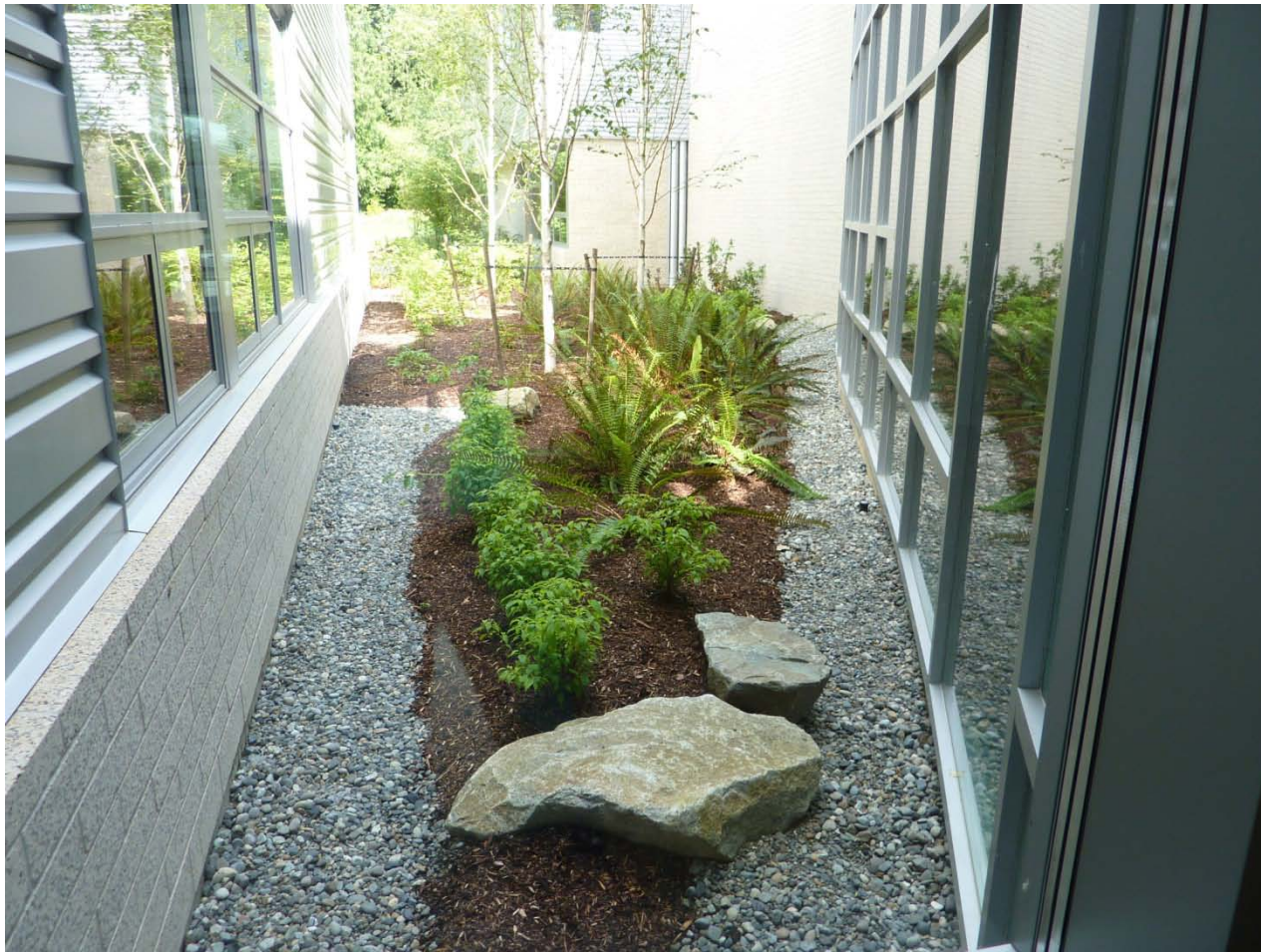
- Nature trail vs. blackberries

Ongoing maintenance issues



- Blackberry wins?

Ongoing maintenance issues



- Window and gutter cleaning

Maintenance issues



- Mowing around septic lids...

Ongoing maintenance issues



- Weed seeds washing into rain gardens

Maintenance issues



- Glu-lam benches delaminating

Maintenance issues



- Gravel jogging path edge

Maintenance issues



- Mowing corners of backstop

Ongoing maintenance issues



- Mowing around kindergarten grow box...

Ongoing maintenance issues



- String trim around sign?

Maintenance issues



- Wind blown weed seeds...

Lessons learned

- You can't have zero maintenance, but you can work to reduce the amount required while reducing your impact on the environment.

Design and maintenance successes	Maintenance issues to address
Amended soils will encourage plant growth and reduce fertilizer needs.	Techniques for the reduction of fertilizer use at lawns
The right native plants can reduce water use and amount of pruning	Wind blown weeds and district staff realities
Limited lawn areas still meet student active play needs.	Post construction meetings with all stakeholders
Extended maintenance by installer during warranty period can increase plant success and reduce future maintenance needs.	Set expectations and involve the user to take ownership of site maintenance issues
Temporary irrigation can work in perimeter areas.	Incentives for low impact design and maintenance practices.

QUESTIONS?

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