

At this location, Wray Creek was once enclosed in an old wooden culvert dating back to approximately 1968. The pipe was failing and it was decided to "daylight" the creek by removing it from the pipe and restoring habitat.

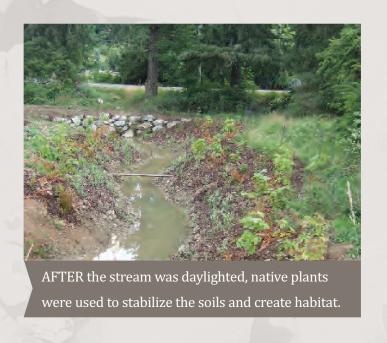
Riparian areas are located next to wetlands, lakes and streams. The distinct vegetation provides food, cover and habitat for fish and wildlife.

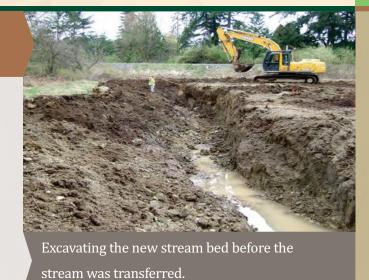
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In 2009, a new channel and two ponds were excavated and revegetated. The stream was transferred to the new channel in stages and now provides habitat for a variety of aquatic plants and animals. Wray Creek flows into Tod Creek, which is fish-bearing. Restoration of the new stream bank (riparian area) was accomplished in part with native plant cuttings.

The native plant cover, including woody trees and shrubs, helps prevent blackberry and other invasive plants from taking over and creates important habitat. Students of Prospect Lake School planted trees as part of the riparian restoration. The restoration design was developed to minimize the need for future maintenance and to return the site to a natural condition as soon as possible.











Riparian vegetation was planted to stabilize banks and provide habitat.

