

Willard's Woods Stream

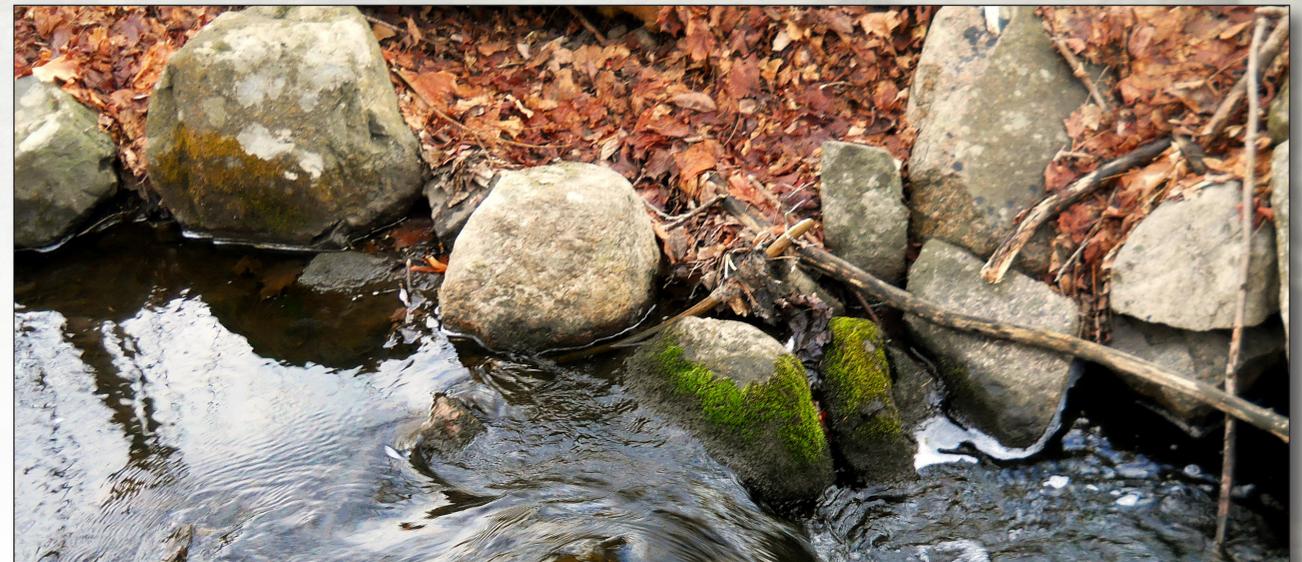
"Daylighting" Restoration



Outlet of Willard Pond.

What is Stream Daylighting?

In urban design and urban planning, daylighting is the redirection of a stream into an above-ground channel. Typically, the goal is to restore a stream of water to a more natural state. Daylighting is intended to improve the environment for a stream which had been previously diverted into a culvert, pipe, or a drainage system.



Willard Stream below North Street.

Why Do This Here?

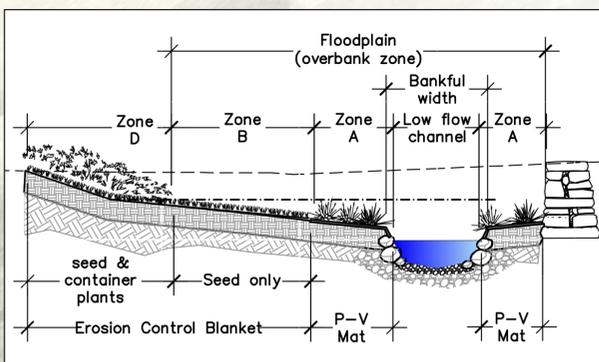
The existing Willard Woods stone drainage culvert was failing and required replacement. This effort will both accommodate drainage needs but also improve habitat value. The Willard's Woods stream daylighting project was identified as a priority project during Town-wide watershed and stream assessment planning and is a part of Lexington Public Works efforts across the community to enhance drainage systems in an ecologically-appropriate way. Find out more here: <http://www.lexingtonma.gov/conservation/stormwater.cfm>

Temporary Impacts to Trail:

- The trails around the stream daylighting project (area around Willard's Pond) will be temporarily closed during construction.
- The trail from Brent Road into Willard's Woods will be closed for the Fall. Thank you for your patience.

Project Schedule:

- **Start**
Late August/Early September 2015
- **End**
Late Fall, 2015
- **Final Plantings and Invasive Plant Management**
– Through Spring 2016



The Project Also Includes:

- Construction of a pedestrian bridge across the "new" stream.
- Construction of a vehicular bridge (for fire access) on the trail to Brent Road.



Brent Road trail access to be replaced.

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 Lexington Town Engineer: **John Livsey**
 Lexington Conservation Administrator: **Karen Mullins**
 Construction Contractor: **SumCo**
 Engineer: **Woodard & Curran, Inc.**
 Landscape Architect: **Regina S. Leonard Landscape Architecture & Design**
 Funding: **Town of Lexington**

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