

Townsend River Walk & Arboretum Master Plan - Preliminary



Existing Lower Trail

Existing Upper Trail

Proposed Lower Trail Ext.

Proposed Upper Trail Ext.

Bluebell Trail

Current Points of Interest

- A - Iris Garden
- B - Pollinator/Memorial Garden
- C - Specimen Trees
- D - Cave
- E - Stumptown - Faerie Village
- F - Roadside Specimen Garden
- G - Stairway

Proposed Points of Interest

- 1 - Picnic Area/Herb Garden/Oak Tree
- 2 - Drainage Filtration
- 3 - Children's Sensory Garden
- 4 - Bluebell Trail
- 5 - Oak Tree
- 6 - Main TRWA Sign

In Context with The National Garden Club Mission Statement

National Garden Clubs, Inc. provides education, resources, and national networking opportunities for its members to promote the love of gardening, floral design, and civic and environmental responsibility.

Overall

1. **Back to Native** – All grass areas to be converted to native plantings except if used for a path.
2. **Border & Mass Plantings of Viburnum, Nine Bark, Oakleaf Hydrangea and other bush-like plants in and around areas where invasives have been removed.**
3. **Invasive Management Continuing**
4. **Arboretum Sign, Upper and Lower Trail Signs, Arrow Markers** indication how to get to the TRWA from parking
5. **Add Tree, Garden and other Signs**
6. **Once a year thanks event and any dedications that need to be done.**

Points of Interest 1 – Picnic Area

1. **Picnic Area**
 - a. Handicap table
 - b. Bear proof trash container
 - c. Raised bed herb gardens
2. **White Oak planting - Above picnic area**
3. **Fringe tree planting along path under powerlines across from Picnic Area**

Points of Interest 2 – Drainage Filtration

1. **Storm Water Filtration Garden**
Native plantings around drain area

Points of Interest 3 – Children's Sensory Garden

1. **Children's Sensory Trail - trail from ash tree area to pollinator garden designed with children in mind.**
 - a. Sight, Sound, Touch, Taste, Smell

Points of Interest 4 – Bluebell Trail

1. **Bluebell Trail**
 - a. Sided with bluebells.
 - b. Will need at least one walking bridge at low spot.
 - c. Trail consisting of geo cells filled with gravel.
 - d. Stone steps back to TRWA at one end.

Points of Interest 5 – Oak Tree

1. **White Oak planting - entrance to right of stairs (looking down stairs)**

Points of Interest 6 – TRWA Sign

1. **Main Sign for TRWA**

Points of Interest A – Iris Garden

1. **Hillside above Iris Garden (See 2 in General)**
2. **Fence sections in front of the Iris Garden**
3. **Bike Rack**

Points of Interest C – Specimen Trees

1. **Area along top trail addition of specimen trees.**
2. **Sourwood Trees Plantings on South end.**
3. **Gregory Bald Azalea plantings in front of rock hill (above cave).**

Points of Interest D - Cave

1. **Cave Enhancements – need UT to help make a determination as to what is best**

Points of Interest G - Stairs

1. **Path Expansions – Gravel Path to stairway and over to roadside garden.**
2. **Bike Rack**

Website

1. Expand Tree List
2. Create plant list
3. Create animal list
4. Create bird List
5. Create Learn Category to include educational material, games.
6. Create pages and pics for each special area of the TRWA: Faerie Village, Specimen Red Buds & Dogwoods, Bluebell Path, Picnic Area
...
7. Create Section on Invasive Management
8. Form for Maintenance Requests
9. Continuing the updating the website