

Aberjona Nature Trail



In 2016, the City of Woburn's vision of creating passive walking nature trails adjacent to this diverse wetland was realized as a result of a collaboration between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the companies performing the cleanup and the community. This vision was incorporated into EPA's final groundwater and surface water and sediment cleanup process of the Industri-plex superfund site (known as Industri-plex Operable Unit 2 and including this section of the Aberjona River). After removing contaminated sediments from the wetlands adjacent to the Aberjona River and removing construction debris from the adjoining floodplain, the habitats were restored by backfilling with clean topsoil and enhanced with various native plantings.

Nature trails were then constructed, looping through the newly restored areas. Several information stations have been installed along the trails describing the sensitive plant and tree species, restored habitats, and some of the animals that are expected to live there. The City of Woburn hope the community will enjoy the trails and natural beauty of the Aberjona wetlands.



Site before restoration (June 2016)



After restoration (August 2016)