



Eastern University Natural Areas Management

Maintenance

Challenge

Eastern University was looking to improve the overall function and aesthetics of the natural areas on their campus. Previous management strategies had been ineffective in managing the growth of invasive plant species in the natural areas, and the dense vegetation was out-competing existing native plants and blocking views to one of the campus' key features, three ponds in the middle of the campus. The University needed a comprehensive approach to manage the natural areas and reconnect the centrally located ponds to campus users.

Solution

LandStudies worked with the University and their planning firm, Derck and Edson, to develop a natural areas masterplan that identified short and long-term management strategies to return the natural areas into the vibrant, sustainable, native plant communities they once were. The plan also re-established visual connections between the Eastern University campus and the natural areas while improving the overall aesthetics and bio-diversity of the site. Invasive plants are being managed and a diversity of native open and forest canopy vegetation are being re-established in a phased approach.

Services

Invasive Species Control | Masterplanning | Maintenance and Land Management | Native/Natural Landscaping | Landscape Architecture



Before



After

Client: Eastern University
 Location: Radnor Township, PA



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