

Spring Stormwater Management

Ways to reduce stormwater runoff while improving wildlife habitat

Remove these invasive species:



Japanese Barberry

- Shrub that spreads quickly and crowds out native plants
- Presence of Lyme disease carrying ticks is increased in areas where barberry is prevalent



Bradford Pear

- Fast growing tree that out competes natives for light and nutrients
- Branch structure makes it susceptible to breakage and splitting



Day Lily

- Quickly spreads from yards into natural areas where it forms dense patches that displace native plants
- Thick tubers make control and removal difficult

Plant these natives species instead:



Common Ninebark

- Fast growing shrub that is drought tolerant, disease and insect resistant
- Attracts bees and birds
- Produces white flowers in early summer



Eastern Redbud

- Deer resistant tree that does well in shady locations
- Attracts bees and birds
- Produces fragrant pink flowers in early spring



Butterfly Milkweed

- Deer and drought resistant perennial
- Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds. Larval host for monarchs
- Produces long lasting, showy, orange flowers throughout the summer