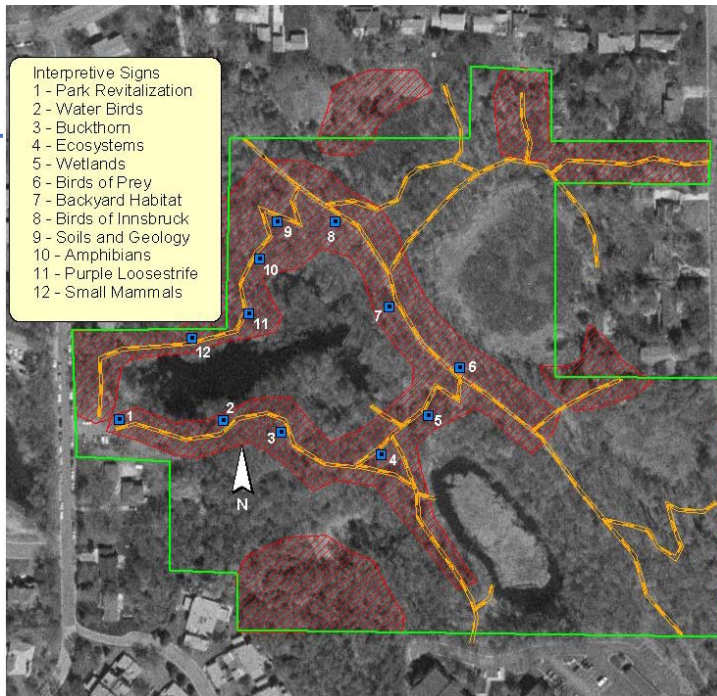


INNSBRUCK NATURE CENTER



Project Background

Funding was secured for the restoration of approximately 5 acres of oak woodland by removal of buckthorn and the re-establishment of native herbaceous and wooded understory species in the Innsbruck Nature Center (Fridley). Neighbors who frequently use the Innsbruck Nature Center volunteered several Saturdays to cut buckthorn, treat stumps and stack brush. While the grant funding the project required 5 acres of treatment, approximately 7.9 acres were completed. Areas left bare after removal of buckthorn were planted with a selection of native herbaceous and wooded vegetation. Buckthorn removed was chipped on site and spread on existing trails. Additionally, a series of twelve full color interpretive signs were developed and installed throughout the nature center.



Red shaded areas indicate buckthorn removal areas. Also shown are the locations of the 12 interpretive signs.

Restoration Goals

- Remove invasive species
- Restore native plant communities
- Develop interpretive and educational opportunities at the nature center



Project Specs

Restoration Type	Acres
Oak Savanna	10.5
Riparian Forest	6
Windbreak	1

Planting	Number
Native trees and shrubs	250
Woodland plants, mixed variety	1250

Project Partners

- NRCS (CCRP program)
- USFWS, Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge
- Sherburne SWCD
- Minnesota DNR (Conservation Partners)

