

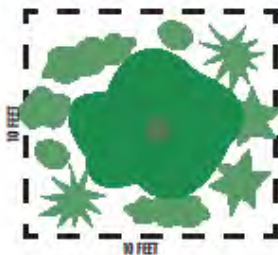
JORDAN RIVER PARKWAY RESTORATION COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION & HABITAT PATCH SHEET



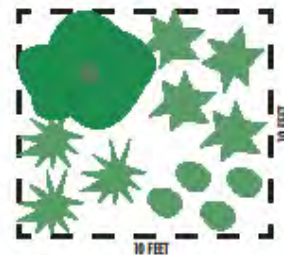
SUMMARY

The JRC is working with local governments and non-profits to help restore native vegetation to the Jordan River Parkway, and build a community of stewards for the river corridor. We do this through school and community outreach, volunteer service projects, collaboration with land managers, and sharing of lessons learned with other organizations and practitioners. One tool for restoration of the river is the establishment of native vegetation “habitat patches.” These small, fenced plots allow newly planted native trees to mature, without the threat of beaver damage, and while invasive vegetation is gradually removed from the surrounding site.

HABITAT PATCH



Option 1:
Place a Large tree in the middle, protected by surrounding shrubs.



Option 2:
Create small clusters of the same species of plant.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Community Stewardship:** A network of community-based stewards to participate in corridor-wide restoration.
- 2. Place-based Learning:** A Jordan River-based curriculum that aims to improve students’ environmental literacy and encourage environmental stewardship and community leadership.
- 3. Public Education:** Public outreach to raise awareness of Jordan River opportunities through community fairs, signage, digital tools, and events.
- 4. Collaborative Management:** An organizational framework and technical tools to encourage a collaborative approach to river management.
- 5. Improving Ecosystem Integrity:** The ultimate goal of improving the ecosystem integrity through individual restoration and service projects.

OUTCOMES TO DATE

- 2000 native trees and shrubs planted, fenced and hand watered.
- 800 lbs of native grass seed spread in areas disturbed by trail construction and other activities.
- Over 50 acres of invasive weeds manually removed.
- Over 11,000 volunteer hours logged.
- Over 4,000 individual volunteers engaged.
- Over 350 students reached.
- 16 acres of invasive Russian olive removed, treated and chipped.
- 50 community volunteer leaders trained to assist the City in future volunteer events.
- 1200 invasive weed identification cards printed and distributed to community volunteers to help them participate in maintaining their community’s natural areas

PARTNERS

