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RESOURCE LIST - please check the back of Audubon at Home in Northern Virginia's book, "**The Nature of Change**" for a more complete list of local and national resources. The following partial list includes people and organizations available to you as landscape professionals in the Northern Virginia & Washington, D.C. area, as well as local sites you can visit to see examples of environmentally sound landscaping. Reach out, ask for help and be sure to visit some of the demonstration sites – take advantage of all the information and assistance offered in this area.

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I hope the following list is helpful and connects you with all the innovative, eco-friendly organizations and projects in the Northern Virginia area! If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (703) 256-6895 or elaine@audubonva.org.

PRESENTER LIST - Northern Virginia Landscape Management Conference:

- **Kevin Munroe**, Audubon Society of Northern Virginia – aah@asnva.org
- **Charles Smith**, Fairfax County Park Authority, Natural Resources – charles.smith@fairfaxcounty.gov
- **Brian Wagner**, Hyla Brook Farm – wagners@cstone.net
- **Diana Handy**, City of Alexandria – h20handy@yahoo.com
- **Lauren Wheeler and Jenny Reed**, Natural Resource Designs, INC – Lauren@naturalresourcesdesign.com
- **Chris Hunt**, Mulch Solutions – chris@mulchsolutions.com
- **Carol Capobianco**, National Audubon Society – ccapobianco@audubon.org
- **Greg Kedzierski**, Ernst Conservation Seeds – greg@ernstseed.com
- **Dr. Gary Felton**, Maryland Cooperative Extension Service, University of Maryland – gfelton@umd.edu
- **Kevin Richardson**, Pogo Organics – kev@pogoorganics.com
- **Adria Bordas**, Virginia Cooperative Extension Service – adria.bordas@fairfaxcounty.gov
- **Cynthia Brown**, FCPA, Green Spring Gardens - cynthia.brown@fairfaxcounty.gov
- **David Yost**, Merrifield Garden Center – dyost@merrifieldgardencenter.net
- **Wayne Brissey**, FCPA, turf management - wayne.brissey@fairfaxcounty.gov
- **Lou Kobus**, Fox Hunt Nursery and Virginia Landscape and Nursery Association – louk@fox-run.net
- **Ed Milhous**, certified/registered arborist consultant – ed@treesplease.com



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NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES

- **Ernst Conservation Seed Company (whole sale)**
9006 Mercer Pike
Meadville, PA 16335-9299
800-873-3321
www.ernstseed.com
- **North Creek Nurseries (whole sale)**
388 North Creek
Landenberg, PA 19350
(610) 255-0100
www.northcreeknurseries.com
- **Pinelands Nursery (whole sale)**
323 Island Road
Columbus, NJ 08022
1(800) 667-2729, (609) 291-9486
www.pinelandsnursey.com
- **Musser Forests (whole sale)**
P.O. Box 340, Rt. 119 North
Indiana, PA 15701-0340
(724) 465-5685
www.musserforests.com
- **Hyla Brook Farm (retail)**
270 Valentine Mill Road
Louisa, VA 23093
ph. 540-967-6160
nativeplants@hylabrookfarm.com
www.hylabrookfarm.com
- **Nature by Design (retail)**
300 Calvert Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22301
(703) 683-4769
www.nature-by-design.com

“GREEN” LANDSCAPING PRODUCTS

There are countless companies that sell eco-friendly or “green” lawn and garden products. I would suggest doing an internet search for whatever specific product you’re looking for. I have included two websites just to get you started. Both sites carry a wide selection of compost bins & accessories, rain barrels, green mowers, beneficial insects & composting worms, organic pest control & lawn care and much, much more...

Planet Natural, www.planetnatural.com

Composters.com, www.composters.com

Here are two safe, all natural deer repellants that actually seem to work - especially when you alternate them to keep the deer on their toes, or hooves as the case may be 😊

Deer Out, www.deerout.com

Bobbex, www.bobbex.com/products.htm



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LOCAL DEMONSTRATION SITES – for all of the following sites, contact the appropriate organizations and *ask specifically* for someone who can talk or meet with you about native meadows, native woodlands, native plants or watershed management issues. Often the eco-friendly and/or native plant aspects of these sites are tucked away somewhere and only a few of the staff are knowledgeable about them. Find the right person and they're more than happy to answer all your questions and even meet with you on site for a personal tour. **I'm familiar with most of these sites – feel free to contact me if you're unable to get assistance.**

- **NATIVE MEADOW RESTORATION & MANAGEMENT:**

- 1) Reston Association, www.reston.org
- 2) River Farm, www.ahs.org/river_farm/index.htm
- 3) Meadowlark Gardens, www.nvrpa.org/meadowlark.html
- 4) Manassas Battlefield Park, www.nps.gov/mana/naturescience/index.htm
- 5) Bles Park, www.loudoun.gov/prcs/parks/other.htm
- 6) Webb Sancturay, www.audubonnaturalist.org/cgi-bin/mesh/sanctuaries/webb_va
- 7) Rust Sanctuary, www.audubonnaturalist.org/cgi-bin/mesh/sanctuaries/rust_va
- 8) Riverbend Park, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend/
- 9) Occoquan Bay National Wildlife Refuge, www.fws.gov/refuges/profiles/index.cfm?id=51611
- 10) Charles Smith-FCPA & Prince William Wildflower Society, charles.smith@fairfaxcounty.gov
- 11) Rod Simmons–Maryland Native Plant Society, cecropia13@msn.com

- **NATIVE WOODLAND RESTORATION & MANAGEMENT:**

- 1) Reston Association, www.reston.org
- 2) Blandy Experimental Farm, http://minerva.acc.virginia.edu/blandy/RESEARCH/Research_Home.php
- 3) Scott's Run Nature Preserve, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dranesville/Parks.htm#scotts_run
(ask Riverbend Pk. folks about Scott's Run, they manage it)
- 4) Riverbend Park, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend/
- 5) Loudoun Valley High School, www.loudoun.k12.va.us/lvhs/site/default.asp
- 6) Meadowlark Gardens, www.nvrpa.org/meadowlark.html
- 7) Charles Smith-FCPA & Prince William Wildflower Society, charles.smith@fairfaxcounty.gov
- 8) Rod Simmons – Maryland Native Plant Society, cecropia13@msn.com

- **NATIVE PLANT GARDENING, LANDSCAPING & DESIGN:**

- 1) Meadowlark Gardens, www.nvrpa.org/meadowlark.html
- 2) Greenspring Gardens, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/gsgp/
- 3) National Arboretum, www.usna.usda.gov/
- 4) Blandy Farm, http://minerva.acc.virginia.edu/blandy/RESEARCH/Research_Home.php
- 5) River Farm, www.ahs.org/river_farm/index.htm
- 6) Reston Association, www.reston.org
- 7) National Wildlife Federation Headquarters,
- 8) Wetland Solutions Headquarters,



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- 9) Loudoun Valley High School,
- 10) Freedom High School,
- 11) Hollin Meadows Elementary,
- 12) Chesterbrook Elementary,
- 13) Daniels Run Elementary,
- 14) Tuckahoe Elementary,
- 15) Haycock Elementary,
- 16) Charles Smith-FCPA & Prince William Wildflower Society,
charles.smith@fairfaxcounty.gov
- 17) Rod Simmons – Maryland Native Plant Society, cecropia13@msn.com

- **RAIN GARDENS:**

- 1) **Yorktown Square Condominiums** - Falls Church, VA
Contact: Jeanette Stewart
Established in 2004 (I think...). Located in a condominium community, receives runoff from rooftop and nearby parking lot.
- 2) **Meadowlark Botanical Gardens** - Vienna, VA
Contacts: Laura Grape (NVRC) or Asad Rouhi asad.rouhi@fairfaxcounty.gov (NVSWCD)
Established in September 2006 (recently completed!). Receives runoff from lawn and roadway.
- 3) **Providence District Government Center** - Fairfax, VA
Contact: Ron Tuttle ron.tuttle@fairfaxcounty.gov (Fairfax County DPWES)
Established in Spring 2005. Receives runoff from rooftops and parking areas. Also has an example of permeable pavers and a green roof.
- 4) **Lake Accotink Visitor's Center** - Annandale, VA
Contact: Jim McGlone jim.mcglone@dof.virginia.gov (now with the Virginia Dept of Forestry)
Established in 2002. Receives runoff from Visitor's Center rooftop.
- 5) ****ON DECK** Cub Run ReCenter, Centreville, VA & Mount Vernon ReCenter, Alexandria, VA**
Contacts: Ron Tuttle ron.tuttle@fairfaxcounty.gov (Fairfax County DPWES) or Christin Jolicouer christin.jolicouer@fairfaxcounty.gov (NVSWCD)
To be completed Fall 2006. Both will receive runoff from the parking lots and possibly grassy/lawn areas.

- **BIOLOGS:**

- 1) **Snakeden Branch Stream Restoration** - Reston, VA
Contact: Nicki Formeski nicki@reston.org (Reston Association) -
Established in 2004. Biologs placed along the toe of the streambank to prevent undercutting and further erosion.



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- 2) **Lake Audubon, Lake Thore au, Butler Pond** – Reston, VA
Contact: Nicki Formeski, nicki@reston.org (Reston Association) or Claudia Thompson Deahl, Claudia@reston.org (Reston Association). Established at various times from 1995 through 2006.
- 3) **Daniel's Run Elementary School** - Fairfax, VA
Contact: Jeanette Stewart
Established in 2004. Used a different technique (Filtrexx) to pump organic materials into sort of socks (like coconut fiber sausages!). They may be planted and have similar erosion prevention roles as biologs...However, they didn't need large machinery to bring them in, thereby limiting disturbance in the riparian area.

- **STREAM RESTORATION:**

1. **Donaldson Run Stream Restoration** - Arlington, VA
Contact: Jason Papacosma jpapacosma@arlingtonva.us (Arlington County DES)
Established in 2006. Easy access, with trail along majority of restored portion. Heavy use of cobble along streambed with good examples of large rock weirs that serve an additional purpose as stepping stones! Great comparison of non-restored tributary. Also has some good lessons-learned. The before and after pictures are very striking.
2. **Daniel's Run Elementary School** - Fairfax, VA
Contact: Jeanette Stewart
3. **Accotink Creek** - City of Fairfax, VA
Contact: Adrian Fremont afremont@fairfaxva.gov (City of Fairfax)
Established in 2003. Long stretch of Accotink Creek. Fairly easy to access at certain points - definitely contact Adrian for more information. CoF is planning on restoring a long section of Accotink Creek near Fairfax Circle. They are collaborating with the USGS to collect water quality data throughout the process.

You may also want to contact Aileen Winqvist (awinqvist@arlingtonva.us) for examples in Arlington County - a couple examples were placed in residential areas. Deb Oliver (doliver@pwcgov.org) from Prince William County may be aware of rain gardens placed in that jurisdiction as well! For Loudoun County, you may want to try touching base with David Ward (dward@loudoun.gov). If he's not the right person to talk to, he can definitely point you in the right direction.

A big THANK YOU to Laura Grape, Senior Environmental Planner with Northern Virginia Regional Commission for all the above detailed information on rain garden, biolog and stream restoration sites. An excellent resource for rain gardens and many other eco-landscaping issues, you can contact Laura at lgrape@novaregion.org.



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USEFUL WEB LINKS

Tips on Eco-friendly Landscaping, Gardening, Watershed Management/Conservation and Attracting Wildlife:

Audubon Society of Northern Virginia & The Audubon At Home in Northern Virginia program
www.asnv.org & www.audubonathomenva.org

National Audubon Society – Audubon at Home Program
www.audubonathome.org

Natural Resources Conservation Service – Backyard Conservation
www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/backyard

National Wildlife Federation – Backyard Habitat
<http://www.nwf.org/backyardwildlifehabitat/index.cfm>

Environmental Protection Agency – GreenScaping
<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/green/owners.htm>

Northern Virginia Soil & Water Conservation District
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd

Northern Virginia Regional Commission
www.novaregion.org/index.html

American Horticulture Society
www.ahs.org

Virginia Master Gardeners
<http://www.hort.vt.edu/mastergardener/>

Fairfax County Master Gardeners
<http://www.fairfaxmastergardeners.com/>

Arlington County – Department of Environmental Services
www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/EnvironmentalServices/epo/EnvironmentalServicesEpoGarden.aspx

Virginia Cooperative Extension Service
www.ext.vt.edu/

Maryland Cooperative Extension Service
www.extension.umd.edu/



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Wildlife, general info:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

www.fws.gov

Cornell Lab of Ornithology

www.birds.cornell.edu

North American Pollinator Protection Campaign

www.nappc.org

North American Butterfly Association

www.naba.org

Washington Area Butterfly Club

<http://users.sitestar.net/butterfly>

Raptor Conservancy of Virginia

www.raptorsva.org

Virginia Blue Bird Society

www.virginiabluebirds.org

Wildlife Rescue League

www.wildliferescueleague.org

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

www.dgif.state.va.us

Plants, natives and invasive exotics:

Weeds Gone Wild – Alien Plant Invaders of Natural Areas

www.nps.gov/plants/alien

Earth Sangha

www.earthsangha.org

Virginia Native Plant Society

www.vnps.org

Maryland Native Plant Society

www.mdflora.org/



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Parks:

National Park Service

www.nps.gov

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

www.dcr.state.va.us

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

www.nvrpa.org

Fairfax County Park Authority

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/resources

Prince William County Park Authority

www.pwcparks.org

Arlington County Dept. of Parks and Recreation

<http://www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/ParksRecreation/ParksRecreationMain.aspx>

Loudoun County Department of Parks and Recreation

<http://www.loudoun.gov/prcs/home.htm>

City of Alexandria, Dept. of Recreation, Parks & Culture

<http://ci.alexandria.va.us/recreation>

City of Falls Church, Recreation and Parks

<http://www.ci.falls-church.va.us/community/recsandparks/index.html>

Bull Run Mountain Conservancy

<http://www.fobr.org/>

Local Environmental Organizations:

Audubon Society of Northern Virginia

www.asnv.org

Northern Virginia Conservation Trust

www.nvct.org

Virginia Conservation Network

www.vcnva.org



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Potomac Conservancy

www.potomac.org/

Government Agencies:

Natural Resources Conservation Service

www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/backyard

United States Geological Survey

<http://www.usgs.gov/>

U.S. Forestry Service

<http://www.fs.fed.us/>

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

www.fws.gov

Virginia Department of Forestry

www.dof.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

www.dgif.state.va.us

Northern Virginia Regional Commission

www.novaregion.org/index.html