



Bioswale

Mercy Trailhead Project, Rogers, Arkansas



photo: Illinois River Watershed Partnership

The newly completed bioswale at the Mercy Trailhead on the Razorback Regional Greenway in Rogers, Arkansas.

One of the green infrastructure practices to complement the Greenway is a bioswale completed at the Rogers' Mercy Trailhead. This bioswale is designed to capture and filter stormwater runoff from a parking lot before it reaches Osage Creek, a major urban tributary of the Illinois River. The project features a curb-cut that directs all stormwater runoff from a parking lot into the swale, allowing pollutants such as silt, sediment, oil, and grease to filter out of the stormwater and into the soil and roots of native plants.

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As part of a grant received from the U.S. EPA and the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, the Illinois River Watershed Partnership (IRWP) is installing green infrastructure practices at five major trailheads of the Razorback Regional Greenway in Rogers, Arkansas. The Razorback Regional Greenway is a 36-mile, primarily off-road, shared use trail that extends from the Bella Vista Trail in north Bentonville to south Fayetteville. The trail links together dozens of popular community destinations including six downtown areas, three major hospitals; 23 schools; the University of Arkansas campus; corporate headquarters; arts and entertainment venues; shopping areas; historic sites; parks; playgrounds, and; residential communities.

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Curb-cut at the Mercy Trailhead

More information on the Mercy Trailhead Bioswale Project can be found at:
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