Post 13 end of preparation and shovel ready ahead of schedule



Site preparation began last Fall with the placement of this opaque barrier to kill the existing turf grass.

Our initial timeline was to do prep end of May with landscaping in early June and planting mid-July. When the corona virus arrived and Covid restrictions were put into place we limited our workgroups to no more than 4 people and extended the timeline out a month.

To our surprise our suppliers were able to provide rapid delivery of our plants and materials. Our small groups were able to complete tasks quicker than predicted and within a month of placing our first order we have now installed most of the project and are back on our original timeline with 85% completion as of Jun 27. All planting and the pathway should be completed within another 10-14 days.



One of the main goals of this project is to increase CLAA member and the general public awareness of the advantages of our natural shorelines program.

This series of posts reviewed the program and then explained the process of developing, implementing and funding this demonstration project. The individual posts are available on the Clark Lake group Facebook page and on the CLAA Website. A composite of all the posts is also available on the CLAA website.

We also set up temporary signs at the site to explain what we are doing. These signs are updated periodically. A key to identify the plants was added his weekend. Permanent signs will be installed in the future.

Another goal of the program is to encourage CLAA members to apply with us for a Healthy Lakes grant of up to \$1000 each year for 350 sq.. ft. of lakeshore native plants. You can design your own project and choose from a wider array of plants but this project displays a sampler to get your planning started. Even if you do not want to apply for the grant Healthy Lakes has all the tools you need to complete a DYI project. Pick up a brochure or visit the Healthy Lakes website.