

Balmoral Improvement Association Landscaping for Water Quality

Location: 255 Paradise Drive, Moultonborough, NH

Project Summary:

On March 30 and 31, 2017, a two day training was held for landscapers, designers, contractors and others interested in ecological approaches to landscaping for water quality protection. As part of the two day training, a field visit was made to the Balmoral Clubhouse property to assess the site for stormwater runoff issues and make recommendations based on best management practices presented during the workshop.

The site visit resulted in numerous recommendations to address erosion and stormwater runoff. The Balmoral Improvement Association agreed to implement recommendations regarding the sloped area to the right and behind the clubhouse.

Recommendation F: Restrict access or create defined access on the slope behind the clubhouse. The slope behind the clubhouse from the side yard to the driveway turn-around area at the southern corner (on the left when viewed from behind the club house) is exposed and eroding. Consider installing infiltration steps to create defined access or planting the slope heavily to eliminate use of the hill as a pathway.



Eroded pathway from side area to back parking lot
Date: 5/2/17



Eroding slope. Date: 5/2/17



Bare slope. 5/2/17

Implementation:

Cathy Neal, Landscape Horticulture Specialist with UNH Cooperative Extension, provided a planting plan for the site. Infiltration steps were installed, and the slope planted with hardy and drought tolerant species.

Cost: \$3,850

LWA contributed \$280 to the Landscaping for Water Quality workshop, and reimbursed the Balmoral Improvement Association \$1,500 toward the cost of the improvements made for a total contribution of \$1,780. In September 2014, LWA received \$1,750 Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) payment to be used toward implementation of BMPs in the Moultonborough Bay Inlet watershed.

