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We believe nature is essential to our quality of life. *As demonstrated by...*

- Land Management & Use
- Protection of our Water
- Connecting People to Nature
- Urban Greening
- Environmental Education



Berks Nature offices on North 11th Street Reading

- Non-Profit
- Staff of 5



LAND

Land Protection

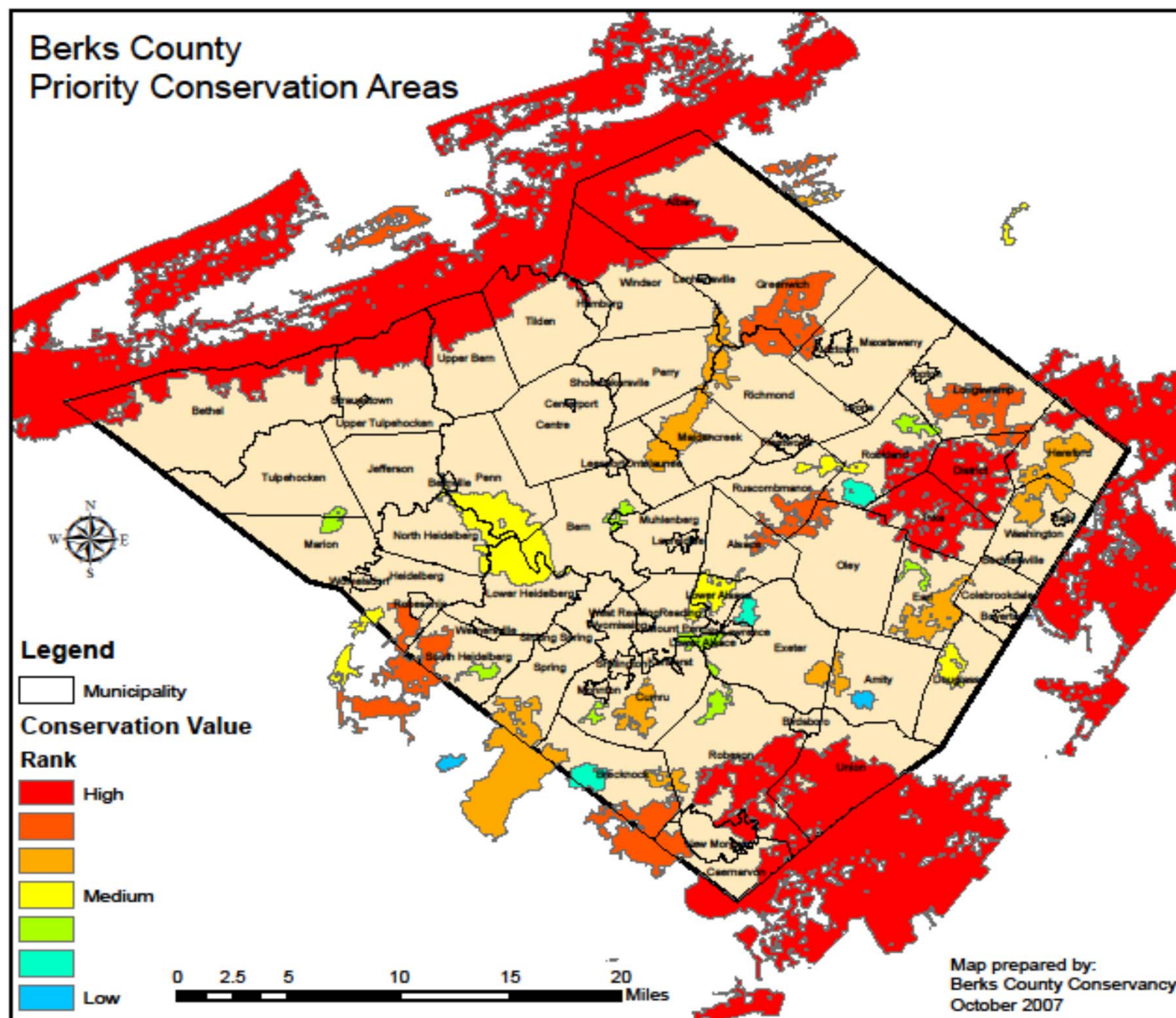


- Conservation Easements
- Nature Preserves
- Trail Easements

Land Management









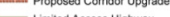









Berks County Priority Conservation Areas



The Future Land Use Plan

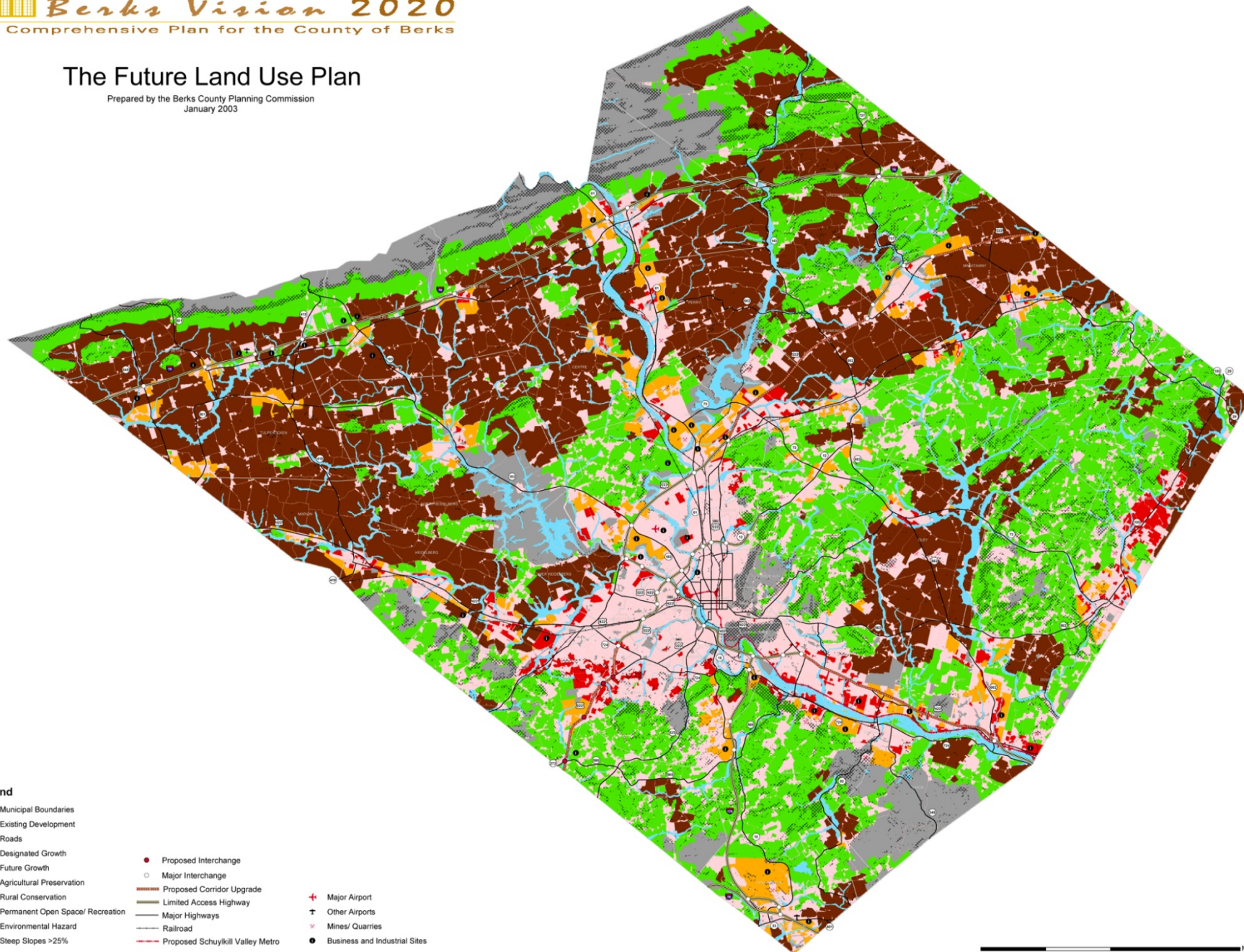
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January 2003

Legend

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|  Municipal Boundaries |  Proposed Interchange |  Major Airport |
|  Existing Development |  Major Interchange |  Other Airports |
|  Roads |  Proposed Corridor Upgrade |  Mines/ Quarries |
|  Designated Growth |  Limited Access Highway |  Business and Industrial Sites |
|  Future Growth |  Major Highways | |
|  Agricultural Preservation |  Railroad | |
|  Rural Conservation |  Proposed Schuylkill Valley Metro | |
|  Permanent Open Space/ Recreation | | |
|  Environmental Hazard | | |
|  Steep Slopes >25% | | |

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WATER

We preserve the quality of your
drinking water.



Streams are impaired from erosion.



Barriers protecting streams



Fencing to protect streams



Angelica Creek BEFORE



Angelica Creek DURING



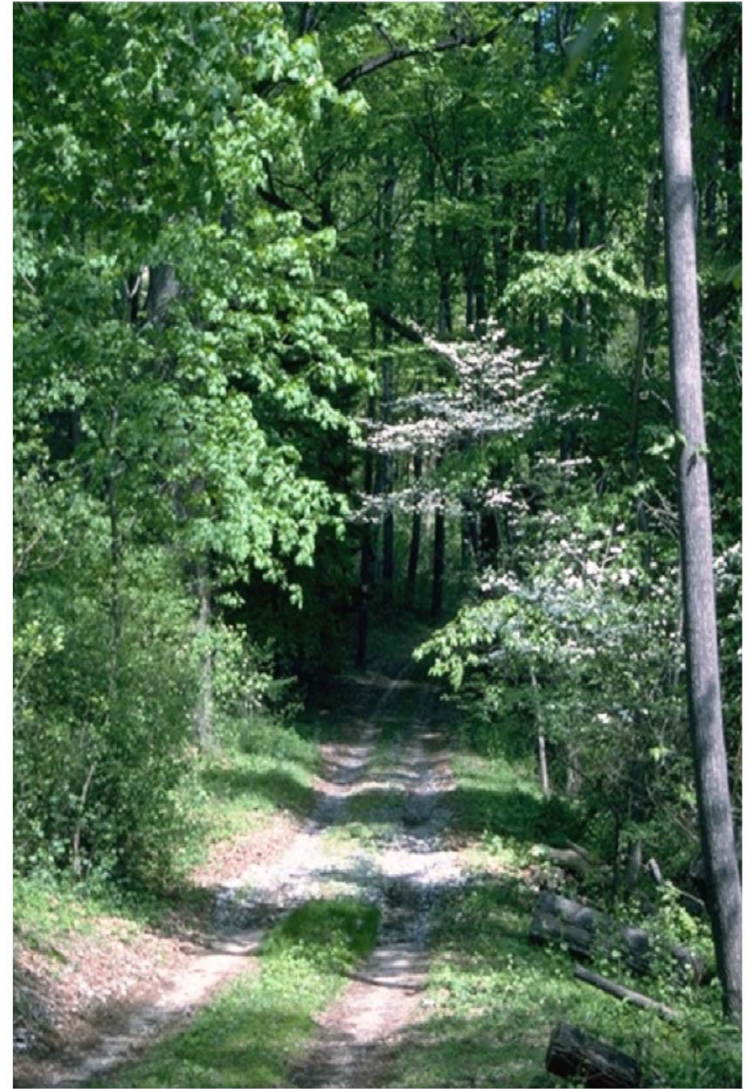
Angelica Creek AFTER





TRAILS

Neversink Mountain Preserve



Earl Poole Sanctuary

- Managed for wildlife
- Secluded
- Includes trails and picnic areas
- Perfect for family walks, birdwatching, enjoying nature



Angelica Greenway & Trail



- Ken-Grill Pool thru Angelica Park to the City!
- Alvernia, Angelica Park
- Perfect for bikes, running, walks, education

Gravity Trail — *Antietam Lake to Pendora Park*

- Provides access to the county's 560-acre Antietam Lake property from the city/Mt. Penn area
- Users could use this trail connection to go from Antietam Lake to the 900-acre Neversink Preserve



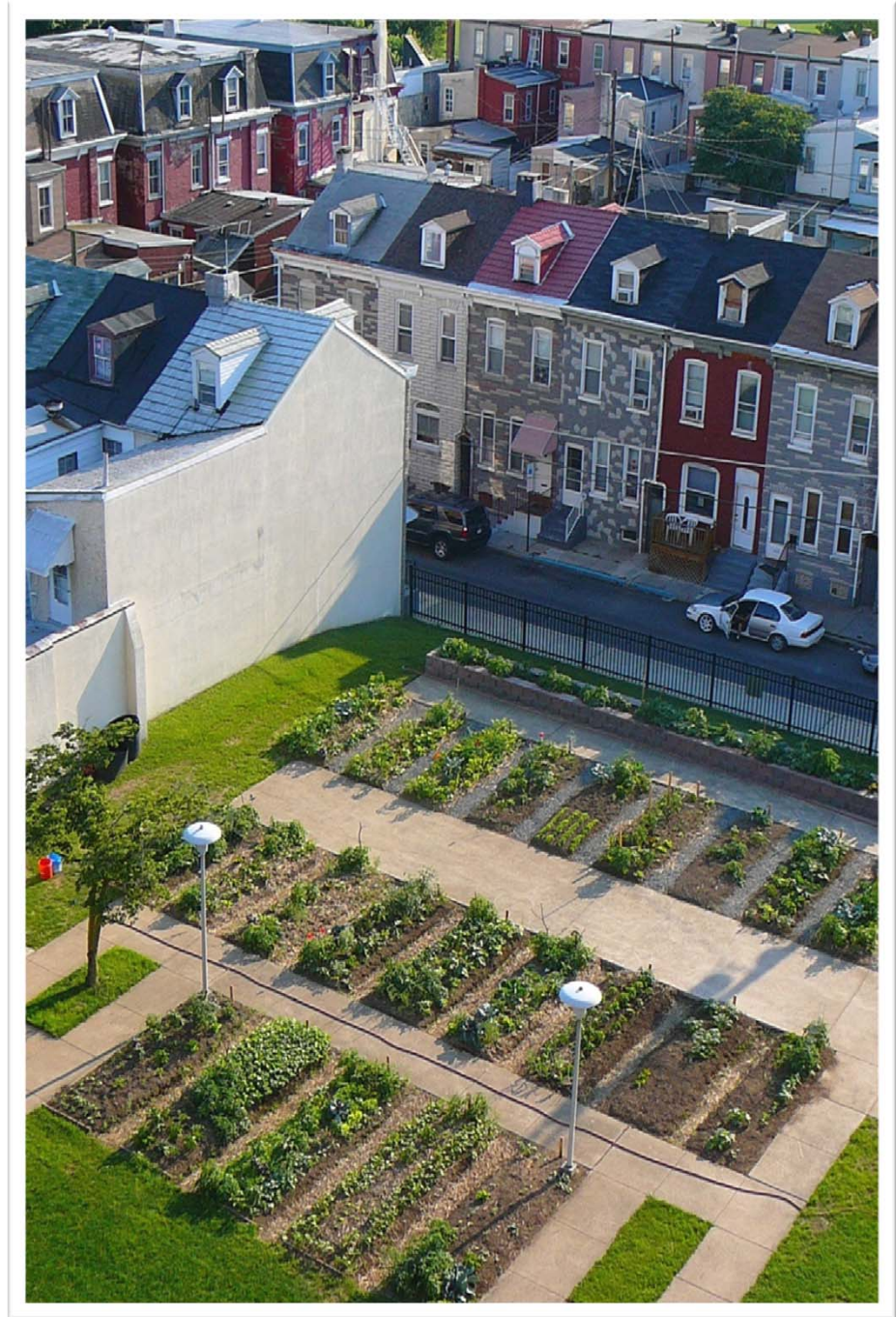
URBAN GREENING



Berks Urban Greening (BUG) Community Gardening Program



Kennedy Towers
Community Garden
S. 4th Street,
Reading



EDUCATION

CONSERVANCY ECO-ADVENTURE CAMP

EXPLORE YOUR WORLD





STATE OF THE **ENVIRONMENT**

• BERKS COUNTY, PA •



AIR



LAND



WATER



WASTE



ENERGY



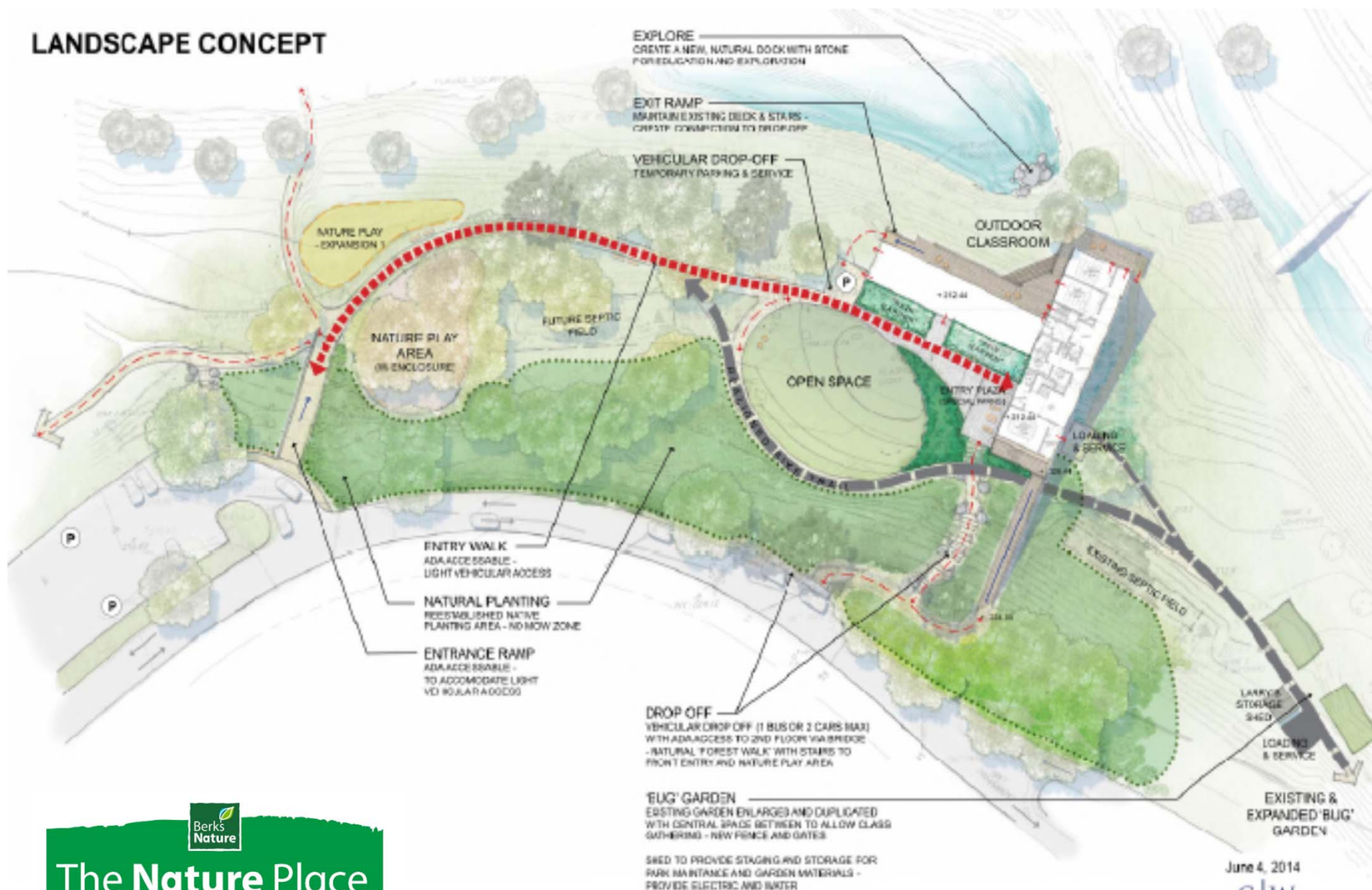
What's in our near future?





*Spread the Seeds of Conservation
Capital Campaign*

LANDSCAPE CONCEPT



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