How will the channel change over time?

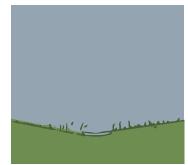


Existing

A boggy, weed-infested, concrete-lined drain within a smoothly graded turf creek corridor, offering limited habitat for critters, or recreational and amenity value for humans.







Aerial View



Under Construction
Demolition, earthworks
& material transportation
will be potentially noisy
and unsightly.







Day 1 — Completion
The foundations of the naturalised creek, with juvenile plantstock, new turf & jute matting, may look stark and sparing.







Year 1

Plants will have bedded in over the seasons. High level of maintenance required to ensure desirable plants aren't out-competed by weeds or undesirable native species such as Typha.





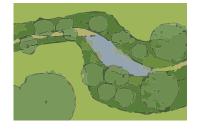


Year 2

Several years of growth will have closed the shade canopy over the creek channel to suppress the weeds.







Year 10

A self-regulating creek ecosystem will have developed with only the turf areas requiring regular maintenance.





