



St. Croix Valley Healthy Waters Initiative

Scandia, MN

Wind in the Pines

WIND IN THE PINES

ADDRESS:

Intersection of Pilar Rd and Highway 95
Scandia, MN

WATERSHED:

St. Croix River Basin

CURRENT FUNDING PARTNERS

- Bush Foundation
- MPCA
- Carolyn Foundation
- Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund
- City of Scandia

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IMPLEMENTED

- Trail Water Bars
- Log Steps

A unique city park located 24 minutes north of Stillwater on Highway 95. The park is comprised of 44 acres of land containing remnant prairie, old growth forest and stands of white pines which are rare in the St. Croix River Valley. It is adjacent to Falls Creek Scientific and Natural Area which shares the same plant communities.

The trails at Wind in the Pines are footpaths that run along the top of ridges and down them to the streams below. The trails that go down the ridges are subject to erosion from rain fall. There are about four areas on the current trail system that take this course down the ridges.

With the low maintenance of the existing trail system a plan was devised to use water bars to help divert the runoff. Where the trail is steeper log stairs were constructed. All logs used are from existing downed trees.

Planning a Visit:

Wind in the Pines is a Public Park. Except by special request no visitors are to be in Scandia Parks between 10pm and 4am. There is a small parking lot located at the trail head.



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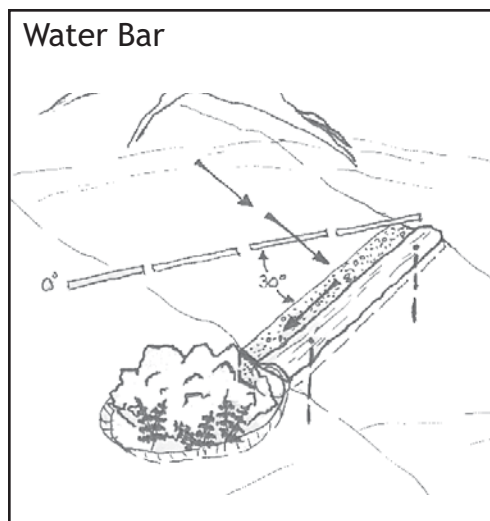
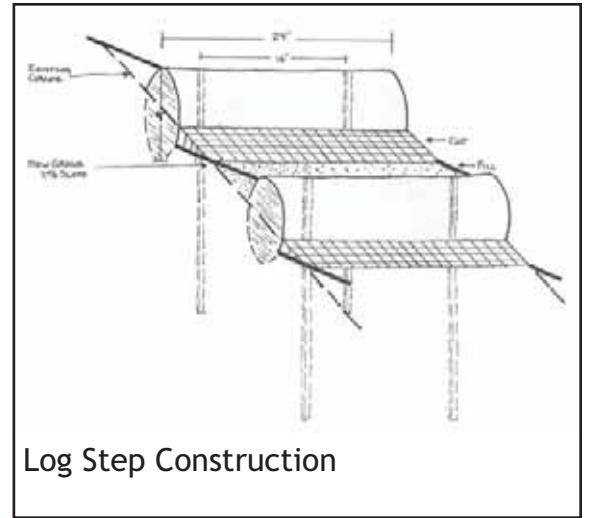
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