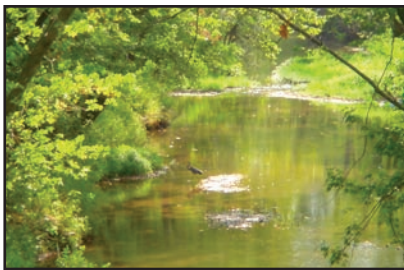
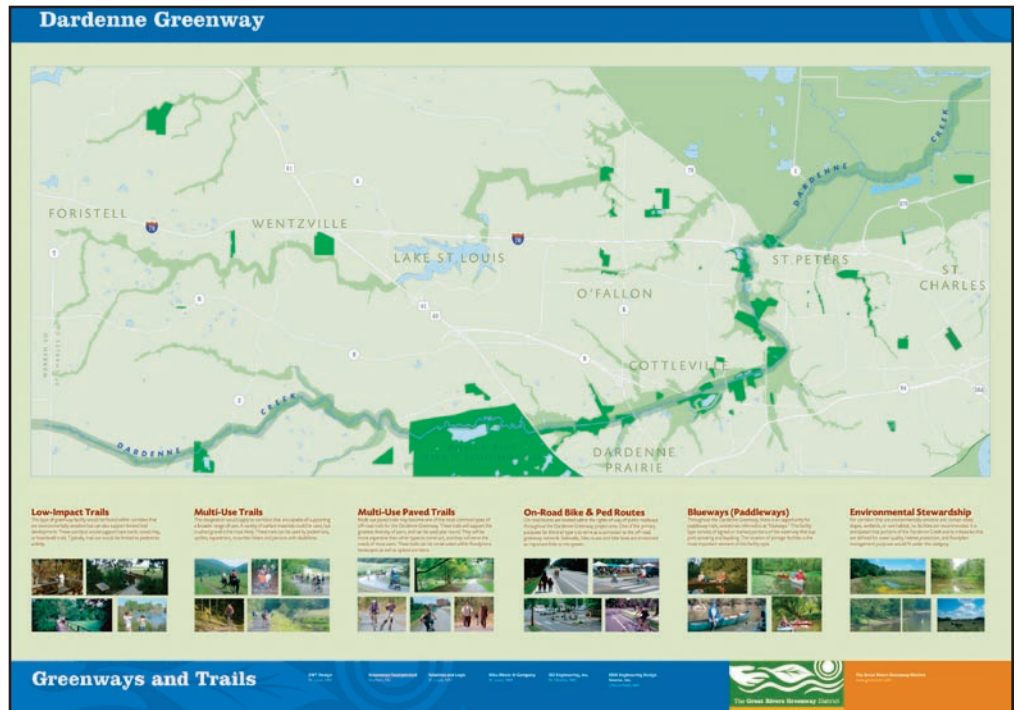


Dardenne Greenway Conceptual Plan

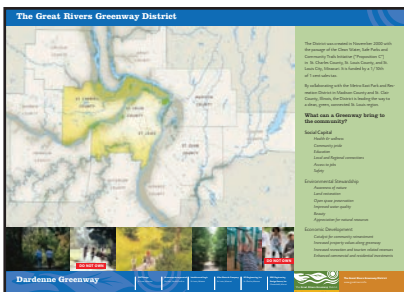
St. Charles, Missouri



Client: Great Rivers Greenway District
 Design Completion: 2007
 Construction Completion: NA
 Construction Budget: NA
 Project Size: 36 miles
 Role of Landscape Architect: CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLANNING



Great Rivers Greenway District (GRG) works for a clean, green, connected St. Louis region. To deliver its mission, GRG is spearheading the development of The River Ring, an interconnected system of greenways, parks, and trails that will encircle the St. Louis region, enhancing the quality of life for residents and visitors. Eventually, the River Ring will comprise a 600-mile web of more than 45 greenways that will crisscross the region and provide access to regional trail and greenway projects.



SWT Design was commissioned by Great Rivers Greenway District in 2006 to produce the Dardenne Greenway Conceptual Plan. The 36-mile study corridor extends from Warren County through St. Charles County, O'Fallon, Dardenne Prairie, Cottleville, St. Peters, and St. Charles to the creek's confluence with the Mississippi River. The Greenway is intended to be a linear park that connects existing parks and natural areas, recreation centers, schools, and civic and cultural amenities.



Throughout the process SWT kept in mind the GRG's guiding principles of environmental stewardship, social capital, and economic development. The project emphasizes the importance of habitat enhancement and wildlife corridors and how these natural areas can coexist with urban development while still meeting the communities' needs. To incorporate public input and community needs, the design team also conducted meetings and forums with stakeholder organizations, local governments, and community residents which provided valuable information as to the trail routing and potential links to other community destinations.

SWT Design is an environmentally conscious, high design, planning and landscape architecture firm.