



Rewilding Solutions





Learning Outcomes

- Become exposed to rewilding efforts that are occurring, both large and small-scale
- Examine the strategies of those efforts and what makes them successful
- Consider how you could apply these ideas and strategies to your rewilding project





Agenda

- Explore examples of rewilding efforts
- Consider how a rewilding project could benefit our own community





Exploration of Large-Scale Rewilding Efforts

Spend some time freely exploring these websites that highlight different examples of large-scale rewilding efforts.

- [Yellowstone to Yukon](#)
- [Rewilding Europe](#)
- [American Prairie](#)
- [Altyn Dala](#)
- [Rewilding Chile](#)





Discussion

- Which of those rewilding efforts was the most interesting to you, and why?
- Larger scale rewilding efforts (such as the reintroduction of species like the wolf to Yellowstone) impact the entire ecosystem. Are there possible negative impacts? What could one do to minimize the possibility of those negative impacts?



Exploration of Smaller-Scale Rewilding Efforts



Urban Waters: Restoring the Bronx River | WCS (7 minutes)

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=xvTq2ynivZ4>





Rewilding efforts in our own community?

Use these resources to look at examples in our own community or region if there are any:

- [Restor.Eco](#)
- [Project Database/Map](#)
- [Restoration Atlas](#)
- And Google the term: (your location) “ecological restoration”, “rewilding”, or “habitat restoration”



Rewilding efforts in our own community?

Are there rewilding or restoration projects in and around our community or region?

- If there are, are they successful?
 - What makes them successful? How is that measured?
 - Is this something that we could replicate in our community?
- If there are not, could there be?
 - Where would you want to implement a rewilding project in our community?
 - What would that look like?
 - What would the goal be?
 - Who would you want to be involved in that project?
- What major habitat type in our area could be a candidate for rewilding?
 - For example, grassland/prairie, temperate rainforest, coastal wetland, subalpine forest, etc.
- What potential challenges or opposition might you face trying to implement a rewilding project here?
- What economic, recreational, or educational opportunities might your rewilding project provide for the community?
- What sources of funding might be available for your project?



Additional Resources

- [Conservation and Restoration Ecology: Crash Course Ecology #12](#): Crash Course - Hank Green reviews the growing fields of conservation biology and restoration ecology.
- [Study Shows Effectiveness of Conservation Actions](#): Rewild.org - A study shows conservation interventions are proving to be successful in halting and reversing biodiversity loss, emphasizing the need for prioritizing and scaling up conservation efforts while addressing the systemic drivers of biodiversity loss.
- [Examples of Urban Rewilding Projects - Case Study Briefs](#): Landscape Architecture Foundation - The Landscape Performance Series Case Study Briefs are a searchable database of over 200 exemplary built projects with quantified environmental, economic, and social benefits.
- [Rewilding California, Creating Community](#): NPS Ranger and #TeamRewild member Joey Algiers and others share the joy of rewilding via large-scale gardening together.
- [Rewilding the Northeast](#): Northeast Wilderness Trust - Northeast Wilderness Trust is working with landowners, volunteers, and other conservation organizations to rewild the Northeastern landscape, from the Adirondacks to Maine and south to Connecticut.





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