

Why was so much vegetation cleared between the new Contractor Services pad and Federal Road?

- The State's stormwater permit required a stormwater basin and required some clearing.
- The site is high-density area with impervious surface located near Bald Head Creek.
- Small vegetation was removed to determine terrain and delineate the basin perimeter to work around the large live oaks and some palms were moved.
- The careful design plan resulted in odd-shaped basins.
- Caution was given to minimize the amount of vegetation removed with the usual emphasis on the protection of the larger live oaks.
- The vegetation removal took place outside of the boundaries of the maritime forest.
- The plan is to let the vegetation (understory) grow back to the extent that it will offer some buffer in the long-term and to use the material removed for the basin to build a berm along Federal Road which will be planted.
- Similar basins were installed near the Public Safety Building which were also required by DWQ.

Click [HERE](#) to view a copy of the site plan. The stormwater basin is indicated in red.

Click [HERE](#) to view slides that were shared at the April 16, 2021 Village Council meeting.

What will this area look like moving forward?

- This project is still in progress and the current condition is not what the Village expects the area to look like in the long-term.
- Dirt removed from the basin areas is being used to establish a berm along Federal Road.
- The berm will be planted with native plants/trees and ones that grow quickly.
- The goal is to have an adequate buffer between the Contractor Services campus and Federal Road.