Stormwater Management Phase III: Meditation Walk & Stream Restoration

**Location:**
Main Campus, Glassboro

**Status:**
Design

**Forecast Project Delivery:**
Fall 2020

**Development Cost:**
$2.3 million

**Design Consultants:**
To be determined

**General Contractor:**
To be determined

**Project Planning & Development:**
Division of Facilities, Planning & Operations

**Description**
As a continuation of the Meditation Walk renovation and Chestnut Branch Creek restoration, Phase III extends the project eastward, establishing an important visual and physical link between the development of Rowan Boulevard, student housing, and the campus core.

Similar to the previous phases, the extension of a renovated Meditation Walk will reduce impervious surfaces, improve emergency access, and increase interaction between the campus community. Pedestrians will have the opportunity to engage with Chestnut Creek and Abbott’s Pond via boardwalks, overlooks, and seating. The creek restoration, identified by the campus community as a priority for open space enhancement, will stabilize the streambank using sound ecological practices to create and enhance habitats for fish and wildlife. Sustainable stormwater management practices beyond the banks will help mitigate adverse conditions that can cause flooding on North Campus. All of these features support an outdoor environment conducive to learning.

Providing a strong visual identity and major campus amenity, the Meditation Walk and Stream Restoration is a key part of the ongoing implementation of the University’s Stormwater Management and Landscape Master Plan following Memorial Green, the Crossroads of Robinson Green, Wilson Hall Performing Arts Courtyard, and the North-South Vista between the RCOB and RCOE.