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Project Questionnaire

Please provide proper and accurate information.

1. Name of project *

Orchard Downs Restoration Project

2. Date project received financial award letter *

October 24th, 2019

3. Date of forecasted project completion *

Fall 2025

4. Date of report submission *

December 17th, 2023

5. Marketing and promotion efforts to date *

From the Ground Up has monthly general meetings with sustainability and restoration topics that are advertised on our Instagram and groupme. We have also invited students to the plot for plant and insect ID events.

6. Please describe project progress *

This semester we have created a list of tools and a management plan for the plot. The tool list and plan was based on research and a plant inventory of the plot. We have also brainstormed different ways to bring more biodiversity to the plot through seeding and planting. Currently, the plot has a lot of woody growth that can only be treated with herbicide. We did not get the chance to seed or start manual removals this semester but we now have a list of all the things we need for next semester to get started. We are behind on the timeline as we should have started removals this fall, but we are learning as we go about restoration work. We have some collaboration with the NRES department possibly coming up in the spring to help with removals.

7. Please describe how your project integrates student involvement and community outreach *

We invite students to our general meetings where we discuss the plot, as well as plot visits. This semester we had a plant survey where we took pictures and documented different plants while taking time to ID and learn about them. We also had a pit fall trap day where we were able to ID and learn about insects on the plot. Future work days will also include student involvement and collaborations with other environmental RSOs. Our group, however, is pretty small and we have had little luck in expanding.

Project Documentation

8. Please upload updated financial documentation for your project

<https://studentengagement.illinois.edu/student-sustainability/ssc/docs/SSC-Supplemental-Budget-Timeline.xlsx> *

 [SSC Project Update Fall23 Linnea Turner.xlsx](#)

9. Please upload project photography *

 [Plot Visit 9 23 Linnea Turner.pdf](#)

 [Plot1 Linnea Turner.jpeg](#)

 [Plot2 Linnea Turner.jpeg](#)