

Mirabeau Water Garden

Drainage Improvements and Green Infrastructure Project

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City of New Orleans
Mayor LaToya Cantrell



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Stats

Area
25 square acres

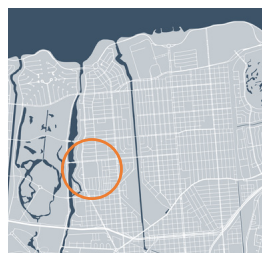
Site Status
Green space

Funding Source
\$13 million (HMGP)
\$10 million (NDR)

Project Lead
Project Delivery Unit, Department of Public Works, City of New Orleans

Project Brief: The Mirabeau Water Garden is a showcase project of Resilient New Orleans, the city's resilience strategy which outlines three key visions for the city's future: adapt to thrive, connect to opportunity, and transform city systems. The water garden vision is based on innovative site design and stormwater management features developed in the Greater New Orleans Urban Water Plan.

Location



District-wide

Benefits



Urban Water
Will provide underground detention



Recreation
Walkable aesthetics, educational features



Ecology
Additional water storage and vegetation



Public Health
Improves air, water and soil quality



Infrastructure
Lessens burden on City's system



Urban Heat
Increases vegetation and lowers temperature



Economy
Improves drainage and increases home values



Community
Beautification, Reduce flood risks for surrounding properties

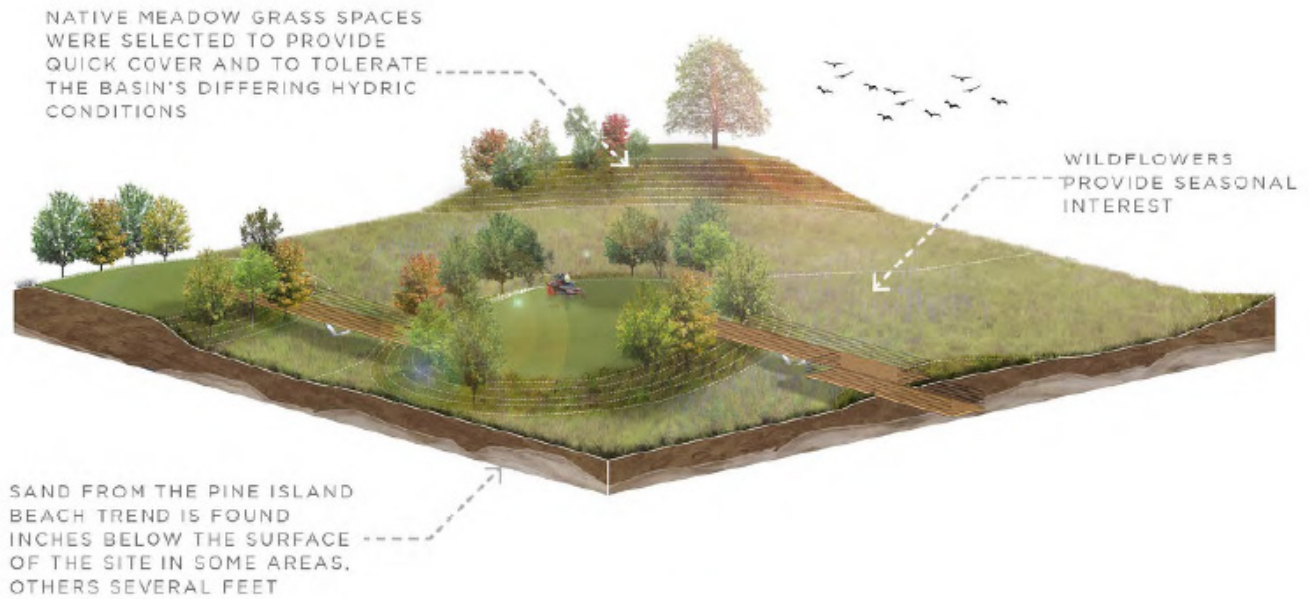


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Description: Mirabeau Water Garden after one year (above) shows the elevation, vegetation and water retention of the finished project. After five years (bottom) the graphic shows the growth of vegetation and the incorporation of educational tools to make the site an informational station that can benefit the community.





Located off Mirabeau Avenue between Bayou St. John and the London Avenue Canal in Gentilly, the Mirabeau Water Garden is a public works project that will transform a 25-acre open site into a recreational and educational amenity that reduces flood risk. The land was donated to the City of New Orleans by the Congregation of St. Joseph on the condition that it be used to enhance and protect the neighborhood.

Design Team

Project Lead
Designer

Mary Kincaid, **City of New Orleans**
Waggoner and Ball

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