

South Branch Patapsco Residential Planting Jackson Drive, Mount Airy

This residential tree planting was completed in the South Branch Patapsco Reservoir watershed in Fall 2020 to address inadequate stream buffer. The benefits of creating these buffers are numerous; trees along the stream provide habitat, filter runoff, and regulate stream temperature by providing shade.

Initially, Resource Management staff met with interested landowners and determined the potential planting areas, native plant species, and the landowner's ultimate vision for his/her property. This planting resulted in the reforestation of **2.48 acres** of private property and a 215 foot wide (on average) forested stream buffer that spans approximately **500 linear feet** of the stream. A total of **520 trees** were planted.



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