

Medallion Club Golf Course Ecological Restoration and Open Space Reserve System

Columbus, Ohio

Applied Ecological Services, Inc., was retained to help Champion Development Group integrate a residential and golf course community with a natural resource complex that involved several hundred acres of wetlands, forests, great blue heron rookeries and other important natural resources. Our consulting services involved ecological assessments, wetland delineations, and confirmation of the open space programming needs for the golf course and residential community, including greenway and trail routing systems. At the same time, AES provided consultation on maintaining the protection of important natural resources including ecological buffers to protect the heron rookeries that were present within the development area.

AES worked in cooperation with other design team members, engineering staff and others to design and implement the site plan. We were involved in ecological restoration activities on the site for several years, providing plant materials and contracting expertise. Major objectives were to ensure that the native landscaping features were aesthetically pleasing and ecologically healthy within the golf course and within the transitional areas between the formal and built environments.

