

Jenna Kay

From: Mary Ernsberger <maryfrane3@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 4:12 PM
To: Jenna Kay
Subject: Re: Suggestion for climate change reduction

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Jenna,

Below is an overview and description of a community project that engages neighborhoods to learn about climate change as they participate in planning and planting a mini-forest, Miyawaki Forests.

I didn't ask if you were familiar with Miyawaki Forests. You may know about sowing healthy ecosystems in neighborhoods.

Below are references to review. I learned about these projects through a continuing series of seminars begun at the beginning of the pandemic generated by Biodiversity for a Liveable Climate. I participated in the seminars which continue this year, and watched the evolution of projects in Massachusetts while I lived in Maryland and now Vancouver WA.

You may be familiar with these projects. The articles also include a list of leaders in developing these forests, who are members of the seminar series that I participated in. I will connect you with these people if you want to discuss their work and participation in developing the forests in Massachusetts.

Let me know if you want to talk about this further.

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INTRODUCTION TO MIYAWAKI FORESTS FROM:

Biodiversity for a Livable Climate

<https://bio4climate.org/miyawaki-forest-program/>

Description of project, New York Times article

Tiny Forests With Big Benefits

Native plants crowded onto postage-stamp-size plots have been delivering environmental benefits around the world — and, increasingly, in the U.S.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/08/24/climate/tiny-forests-climate-miyawaki.html>

Reference to the Yakama Nation forest and others in Washington

Healing Forest, Yakama Nation, WA

A forest that restores harmony between body, mind and spirit.

<https://www.sugiproject.com/forests/healing-forest>

On Wed, Jul 17, 2024, 5:03 PM Mary Ernsberger <maryfrane3@gmail.com> wrote:

Thank you for your response, Jenna. I will need to pull together a brief overview of the project which may take until next week. This week is busy. I will reply to this email when I am ready with the explanation.

Mary

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On Wed, Jul 17, 2024 at 6:56 PM Jenna Kay <Jenna.Kay@clark.wa.gov> wrote:

Hi Mary,

Thanks for your note. I am the right person at the county to connect with on this. I would be glad to review information about the project or schedule a call to discuss. Please let me know your preference.

Regards,

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Jenna,

I am aware of an effective project to reduce the effects of climate change that is being implemented in Massachusetts. I would like to initially talk with someone about the Massachusetts project to learn if it is being followed for consideration in Clark County. If it is not known, then I will want to know who to contact to learn if there is any interest in the Massachusetts project to know how much information to prepare about the project. Thank you, Mary Ernsberger 3603 NE 45th St, Vancouver, WA 98661, 240-393-2776