

# LANDSCAPE NARRATIVE

## CREATING NEIGHBORHOODS

- ENTRANCES THE LANDSCAPE DESIGN WILL UTILIZE THE ENTRANCES INTO THE NEW DEVELOPMENT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE A COMMUNITY IDENTITY TO THE INDIVIDUAL NEIGHBORHOODS WITH PLANTINGS, STONEWORK AND SIGNAGE. THE SIGNATURE PLANTINGS AND STONEWORK OF THE EXISTING SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS WILL BE CARRIED INTO THE NEW NEIGHBORHOODS TO PROVIDE A SIMILAR AESTHETIC.
- THE ENTRANCES WILL SERVE TO TRANSITION FROM THE EXISTING COMMUNITIES INTO THE NEW NEIGHBORHOODS AND PROVIDE A SENSE OF
- STREET TREES WILL BE PLANTED, AND SHADE TREES WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE PARKING LOTS TO PROVIDE SHADE AND REDUCE HEAT ISLANDS.

## OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION LAND

• THE ENTIRE SITE INCLUDES OVER 80 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE COMPRISED OF WOODLANDS, STREAMS, PONDS AND WETLANDS. THESE NATURAL AREAS WILL BE PROTECTED AND INTEGRATED INTO THE NEIGHBORHOODS IN VARIOUS WAYS. RESIDENTS WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO ENJOY PASSIVE RECREATION USING WALKING PATHS. ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, INCLUDING VISUAL SCREENING AND NOISE ATTENUATION FROM SURROUNDING ACTIVITIES WILL BE PROVIDED THROUGH CAREFUL MANAGEMENT OF THE OPEN SPACE.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT

- THE EXISTING SITE WAS ONCE USED AS A GRAVEL MINING OPERATION AND PORTIONS OF THE SITE HAVE BEEN NEGLECTED AND ALLOWED TO DETERIORATE OVER TIME. THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL RENEW AND REMEDIATE SELECTED AREAS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT.
- THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LANDSCAPE WILL BE FOCUSED ON IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE SITE. WHAT HAS BEEN LARGELY USED AS AN INDUSTRIAL SITE WILL BE TRANSFORMED INTO A COMMUNITY OF HOMES AND PRESERVED OPEN SPACE.

# **ENTRANCES**

THE PROPOSED ROUNDABOUT AT ARNOLD ROAD AND ANGELINA DRIVE WILL PROVIDE IDENTITY TO THE COMMUNITY, HELP TRAFFIC FLOW AND DIRECT RESIDENTS INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD.



CONNECTING THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO THE CENTRE OF NEW ENGLAND BLYD., THIS ENTRANCE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ANNOUNCE ARRIVAL INTO THE HIGHLANDS.

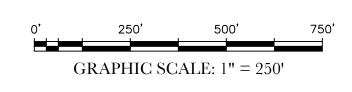
ANGELINA DRIVE WILL CONNECT THE EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD TO THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD, WHICH WILL SHARE THE SAME LANDSCAPE FEATURES.

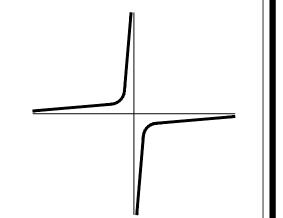
STEPHANIE DRIVE'S ENTRANCE AND FEATURED ROUND-ABOUT ARE ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CREATING COMMUNITY CHARACTER THROUGH USE OF SHARED LANDSCAPE FEATURES.

## <u>LEGEND</u>









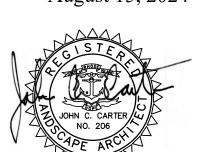
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