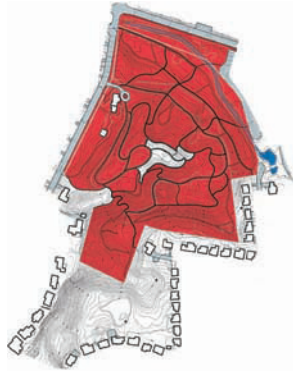


Master Plan for Cora Hartshorn Arboretum

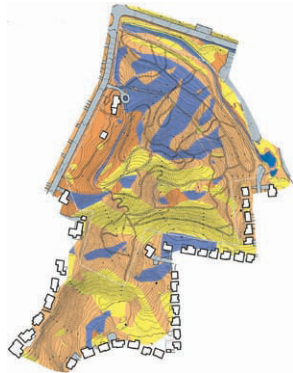
Location: Short Hills, New Jersey
 Client: Cora Hartshorn Arboretum
 Size: 16 Acres
 Cost: \$750,000
 Status: Master Plan Completed 2002



Exotic invasive plants



Slope analysis



Aspect analysis

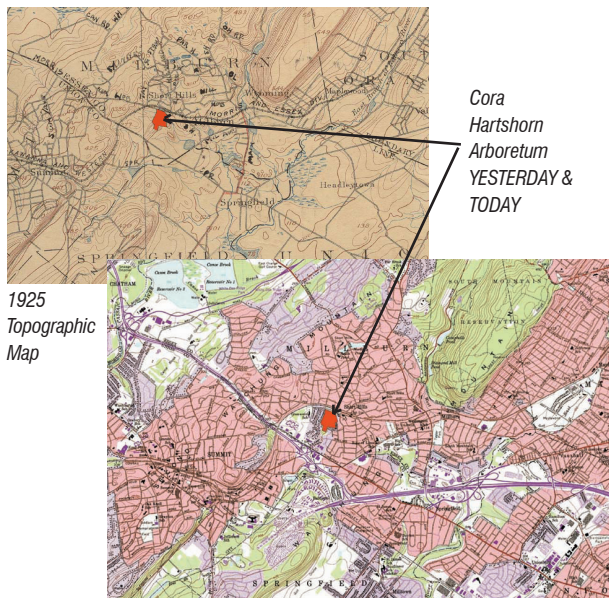


Vegetation habitats

In 1934, Cora Hartshorn set aside 16 acres in Short Hills, New Jersey for an arboretum and bird sanctuary, with a mission to foster awareness and respect for nature and the environment. Today, the arboretum, while retaining many of the original trails and plants is, like much of the region, suffering from an invasion of exotic plants and deer overbrowse. As master planners, Viridian Landscape Studio developed a landscape management plan and a strategy for encouraging the regeneration of healthy plant communities. Appropriate pedestrian and vehicular circulation and access was studied, while incorporating the siting of a new addition to the existing education facility. This process involved workshops and community meetings, and phased plans and estimates for fundraising.



Cora Hartshorn in the Fern Dell, early 1930s.



1925
Topographic
Map

1981 USGS Quadrangle

Cora
Hartshorn
Arboretum
YESTERDAY &
TODAY



Master planning is participatory, involving workshops with community and staff.