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- Who:** The Philadelphia Water Department, United States Army Corps of Engineers, the Fairmount Park Commission
- What:** Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Fairmount Dam Fish Ladder Rehabilitation
- Where:** The Fairmount Water Works Interpretive Center, 640 Water Works Drive
- When:** December 2007

Cliveden Park has been redesigned as part of a stormwater management demonstration project. The objective of the project is to capture water from the surrounding streets and use the capacity of the natural land in the park to filter and infiltrate as much stormwater as possible before returning it to the combined sewer system.

Stormwater is piped into the park, where it collects in a series of new step pools separated by new stone walls. During rain, water spills over each stone wall on its journey down to the existing wetland area before it is slowly released back into the sewer system. The system will provide stormwater volume removal by evaporating water from the ground into the air and infiltration.

The Cliveden Park improvements were funded primarily through Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's Growing Greener program. Additional funding was provided by Bank of America, the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources TreeVitalize program.

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