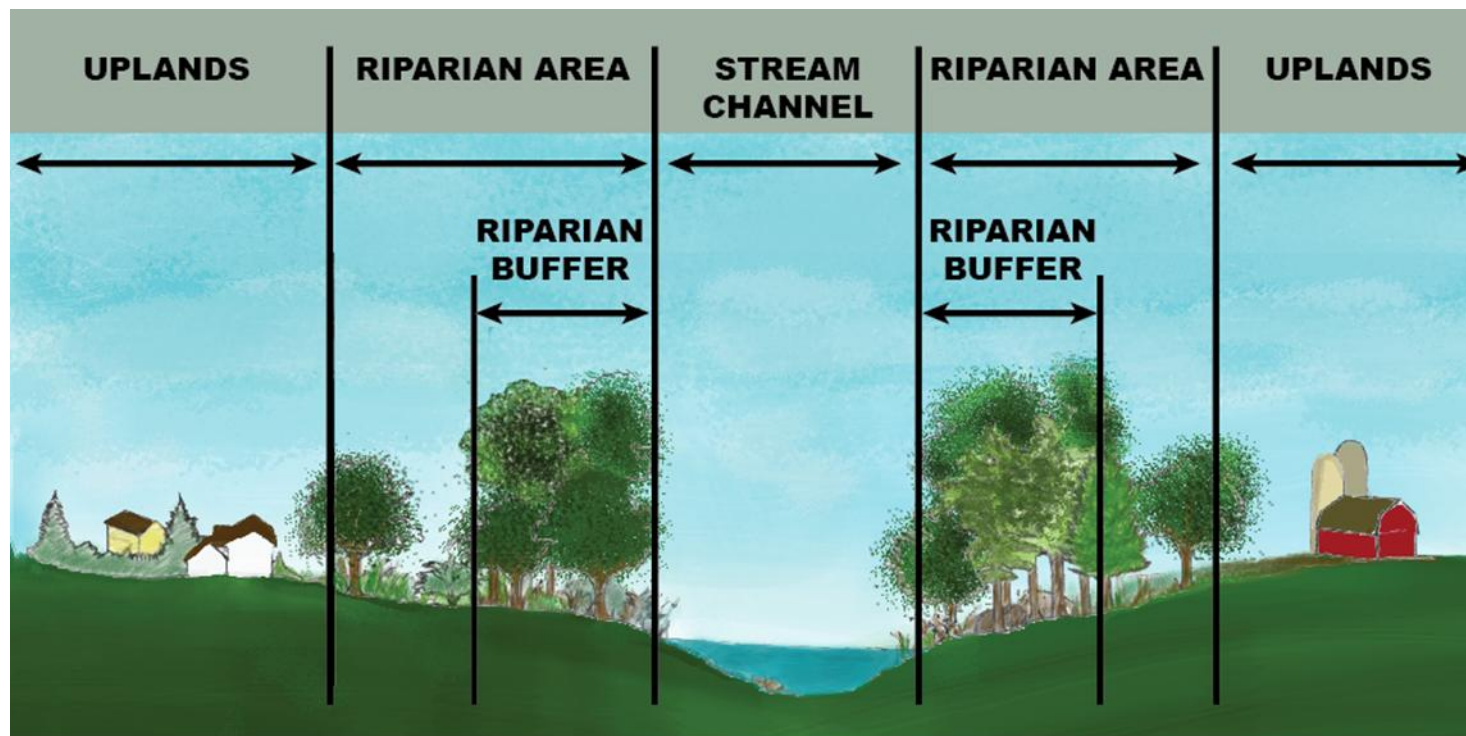


Riparian Buffers 101

What is a Riparian Buffer?

The area immediately adjacent to our waterways is called a Riparian Area. A Riparian Buffer is a vegetated strip (we like to call them wild edges) within that riparian area which creates a “buffer” between upland area and the waterway.



Riparian Buffers 101

A vegetated buffer made up of native or native-like trees, shrubs, and plants provides a wide range of essential ecosystem services that benefit us all. Lawns simply do not deliver the same level of protection, filtration, habitat, or resilience.

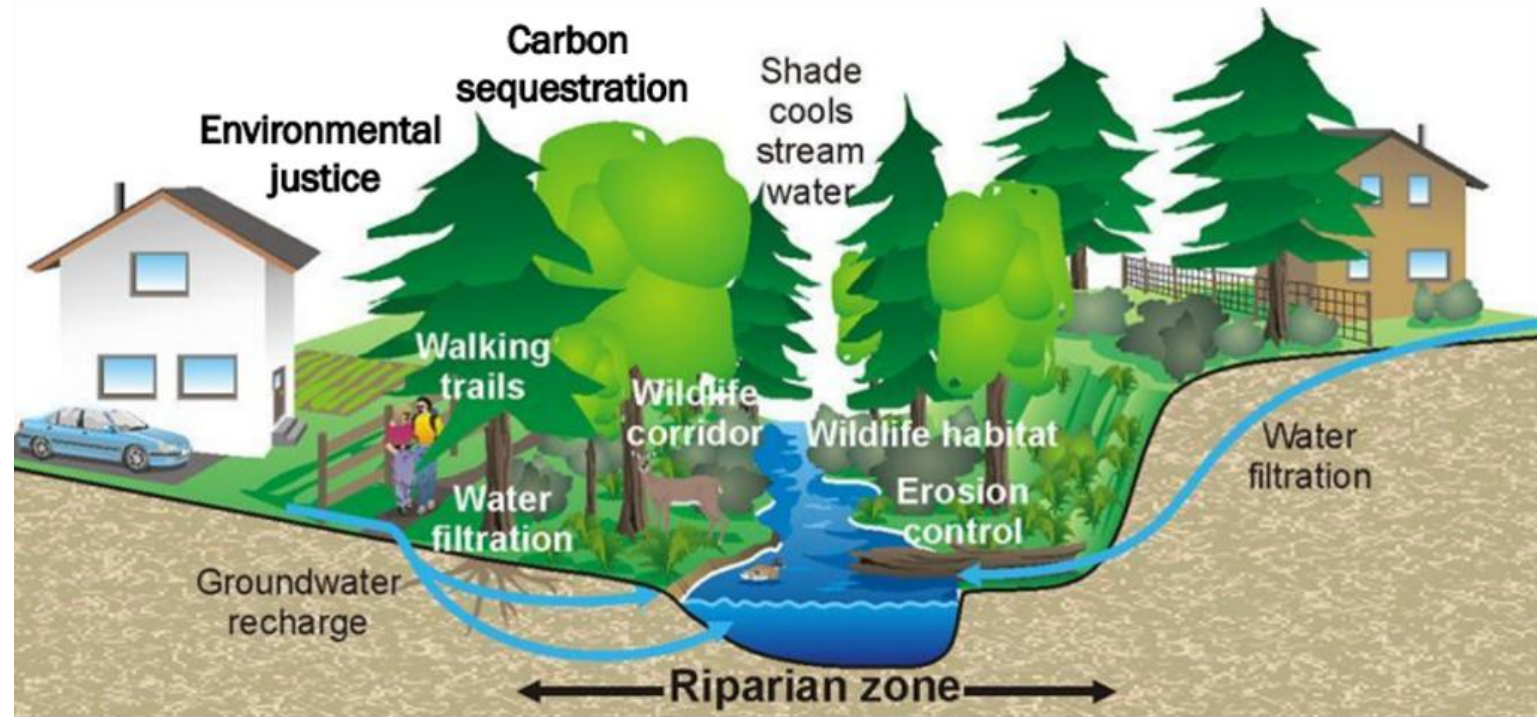


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WILD EDGES: HEALTHY WATERS

Vegetated Riparian
Buffers are beautiful
AND useful:

-  Slow Stormwater
-  Filter Pollution
-  Reduce Flooding
-  Protect Infrastructure

