

Summer 2020: Backdrop to my own community garden- the south edge of a sea of 7' high invasive Mugwort was unsightly and unproductive



Winter 2021: beginning to chop down old Mugwort stalks from the prior growing season



Winter 2021: Piles of raked out Mugwort stalks



Winter 2021: view from my garden already looking better!



March 2021: small section tarped



May 2021: south section brush-hogged and raked out
(except for large mounds of town road sweepings)



May 2021: north section brush-hogged and raked out
(except for large mounds of town road sweepings)



Summer 2021: excavator used to level
mounds and remove woody invasives like
Multiflora Rose and Russian Olive



Summer 2021: Pollinator Pathway signage



Nov 2021: Spring-Fall growing season mowed short every 2 weeks. Test section with tarp down for 7mos was seeded and mulched in Nov



Dec 2021: steel-wrapped bundles of slab wood to secure the tarps started arriving- 6 bundles in total



Dec 2021: vehicle used to move boards to north end



Dec 2021: North section tarped



Dec 2021: north and middle sections tarped



Dec 2021: entire $\frac{3}{4}$ acre meadow
tarpred and cordoned off with signage!



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