

# iWG Assessment

SWATeam Recommendation Ref #: ALUFS 006 – Increased Agroforestry

Date of iWG Assessment Started: 06/07/2019

Assessment Completed: 08/08/2019

**Original SWATeam Recommendation:**

Obtain more agroforestry by increasing trees campus-wide. Initial focus can be along the Embarras river between 1st street and Airport Road (CR 1100 N), where approximately 32 acres of riparian forest buffer could be planted. Additionally, general addition of trees to campus proper, including on parking lots.

**iWG Assessment of budget and policy impacts (*check one*):**

moderate budget and/or policy impact      OR       major budget and/or policy implications

**iWG Routing Need (*check one*):**

more detailed study    OR     transmit recommendation    OR     forward to Sustainability Council

**iWG Routing Direction (*department name, SWATeam, or Council*):** ACES, c/o German Bollero

**iWG Recommendation:** Work with the university landscape architect, Brent Lewis, to develop a plan for adding trees along the Embarras, including costs and requirements, and supporting implementation.

Individual comments are required from each iWG member (can be brief, if member fully agrees):

iWG Member Name	iWG Member's Comments
Ximing Cai (iSEE)	I support this recommendation. Student Sustainability Council (SSC) and campus carbon credit funding may cover the cost, especially the initial cost.
Morgan White (F&S)	This is an opportunity to achieve the iCAP goal for more agroforestry acreage on campus. Brent Lewis at F&S and the Tree Campus Advisory Committee can assist with the plan development and identifying funding for implementation.
Alma Sealine (Student Affairs)	I support this recommendation.
Matthew Tomaszewski (Provost's Office)	I support the recommendation; however, this requires further engagement with ACES. I'm glad this is about developing a plan in coordination with ACES, F&S, and the Tree Campus Advisory Committee. The plan should carefully consider costs and the options for funding the implementation and ongoing maintenance.
Scott Willenbrock (Provost Fellow)	The banks of the Embarrass seems like a natural place to plant trees.
John Dallesasse (Academic Senate)	I support this recommendation.
Joe Edwards (Student Sustainability Committee)	This solution represents an integrative, wholistic approach to improve campus landscapes, decrease erosion and nitrogen loss, increase carbon storage, and practice the sustainability values we hope to exemplify.
Sean Reeder (OBFS)	I have previously supported this and recommend consideration of research to what is to be implemented; i.e., genomic advancement to re-introduce the American chestnut or selective breeding as examples.

S. Renee Wiley (college-level facility manager)	I support this recommendation.
Joey Kreiling/Jonah Messinger (Student Sustainability Leadership Council)	Sounds like a good idea. However, trees can be quite expensive so what is the strategy for funding?

Attach any comments from subject matter experts (with names and roles).