



WVDNR Forks of Coal State Natural Area

Kanawha County, West Virginia

Client: Howells and Baird

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Key Personnel:

Todd Schoolcraft, PLA (PM)
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 Tim Scott, PLA
 Brandon Conley, PE

Project Cost:

\$7 Million Construction
 \$7 Million Design

Year Completed:

Current Construction
 April 2018 Design

E.L. Robinson's Role

Master Plan Design
 Site Development
 Landscape Architecture
 Water Design
 Wastewater Design

WVDNR retained E.L. Robinson in 2015 to prepare a master plan for this 100 plus acre site donated to the State of West Virginia for the development of the state's first natural area. The site located at the forks of the Big Coal and Little Coal River, approximately twenty miles from downtown Charleston.

In 2015, WVDNR appointed E.L. Robinson Engineering and ZMM Architects to prepare construction documents for the Forks of Coal Natural Area and the Wildlife Education Center.

This site related elements ELR designed included:

- Site prep and site development construction packages
- Access road off US 119 and car and bus parking area for the Claudia L Workman Wildlife Education Center
- Site development for the Education Center including entry courtyard and outdoor classroom/amphitheater
- Entry sign
- Trailhead parking
- Waterline extension from the Lincoln County PSD and an on-site sewage treatment facility
- Landscape plans for the center
- Pedestrian linkages