

PRELIMINARY REPORT: Belterra Pollinator Garden Michelle Johnson

The original timeline for creating the *Belterra Pollinator Garden* has been altered to shift further into the fall. This is primarily because we recognized it would be better for the establishment of the plants if they go into the ground later. We are also hoping that there may be some plant sales that we can take advantage of later in the season.

Original timing: May, June – Planning and preparation

New timing: May, June, July, August

The planning and preparation stage has been extended into July and August. In addition to designing the terracing, we also decided that we want to identify the plants that are currently in the area. Some of those plants are indigenous, and, to the extent possible, we would like to leave them undisturbed when building the terracing.

Original timing: July – Construction of beds New timing: End of August, September

Because we will be planting later, we will not be building the terracing until August/September.

We decided to change the design to build the terraced beds using rock rather than old logs. This will relieve the necessity to replace the logs in the future as they decompose. It will also allow the beds to be configured to preserve the already-existing indigenous plants.

Original timing: August 6 or Sept. 3 – Planting

New timing: September 3 or October 1



The future Belterra Pollinator Garden with Indigenous Huckleberry at the top and Pearly Everlasting in the foreground.



