

LIME CREEK CONSERVATION AREA HISTORY

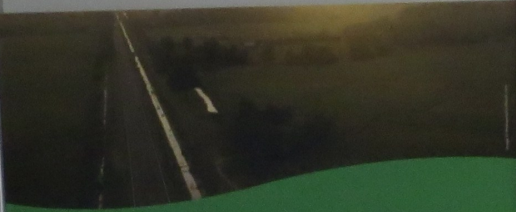












WHY ALTERNATIVE BEATS CONVENTIONAL

Before Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management (IRVM) practices were put into place, mowing and spraying herbicides were the primary methods for managing roadside vegetation. Not only were these techniques ineffective, they were also expensive and had the potential to pollute the groundwater.

Today, the combination of native vegetation and environmentally conscious management strategies makes IRVM a sustainable, efficient, and cost-effective method for managing roadsides.

INTEGRATING CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT

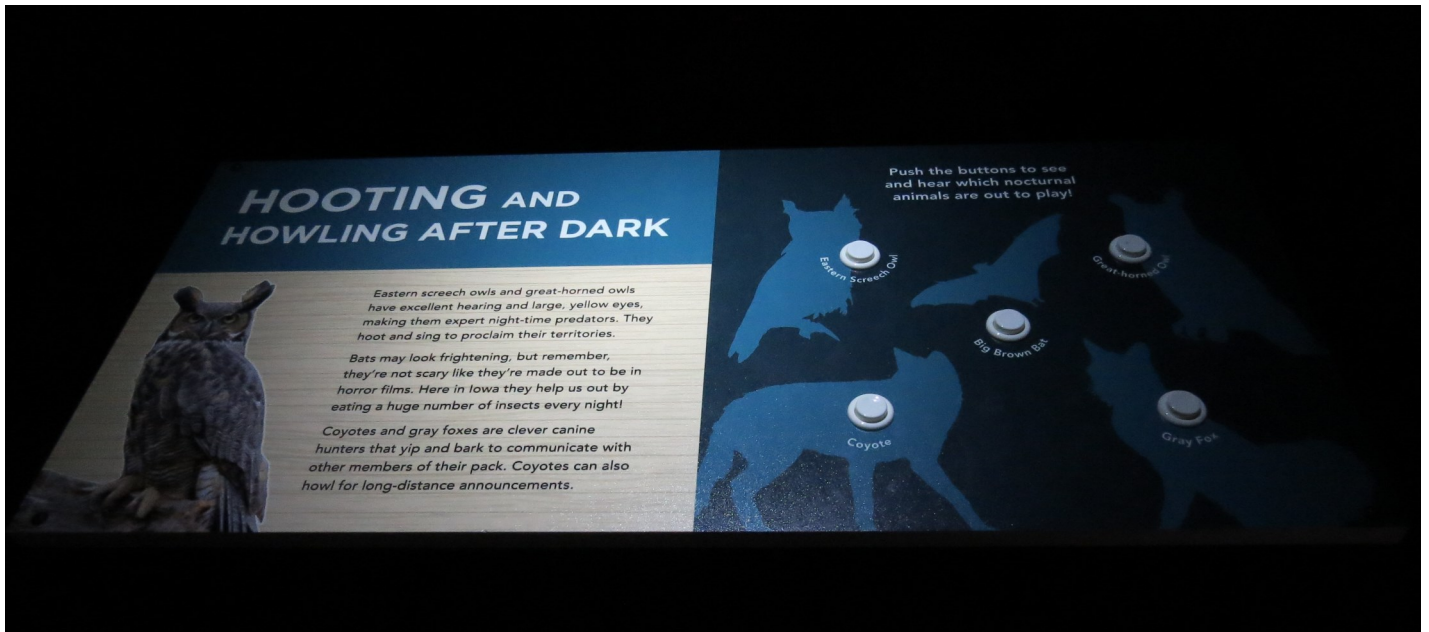
Growing native plants along roadways is one way to bring the prairie into the modern landscape. Worried about pesticides contaminating the groundwater, Iowa began its Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management (IRVM) program in 1988 with the goal of replacing conventional roadside management practices.

PROTECT OUR PRAIRIE

Learning more about prairies, visiting the LCCA and other prairies, planting your own native plants at home, and becoming an active participant in land management programs are all ways you can help.







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