Conceptual Plan Priorities - Up for Discussion

Below is my consideration for a phased approach to the landscaping of the Locke Fire Station.

The presented plan shows Immediate Zone, Intermediate Zone and Extended Zone (definitions of Benton County Fire zones can be found on the plan). My thinking is that we work outwards, phasing the work based on our tolerance of expenditure but also with a focus of being effective in what we do and when – e.g. When we have someone to remove the trees, would it be cost effective to have them prune other trees at the time. This though we can only tease out with further detailed planning and review with the professionals.

Suggested order of work

1. Immediate Zone around all buildings – including suggested removal of trees/shrubs
2. Intermediate Zone around all buildings – including pruning suggested trees (discuss their removal also)
3. Extended Zone Planting – at front of Station (NE Corner) and frontage area island (where Mailbox is), and new well head protection
4. Extended Zone Planting (optional, but in my view recommended) -west of driveway, focus on ease of maintenance and economy, hopefully addressing drainage issues.
5. Extended Zone Planting (optional – some work is needed here) – rear of driveway to the south, again focus on ease of maintenance and economy.
6. Wetland recovery (optional) - if we can get sizeable contribution from other parties.

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