

BEE LAWNS IN HOPKINS



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*Pollinator Friendly
Information for City
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ABOUT BEE LAWN MAINTENANCE

Bee lawns are low maintenance. They only require 1-3 mowing's per month, which is less than the 3-6 required by turfgrass. Herbicide application should be avoided at bee lawn sites as they are nearly self-regulating micro-ecosystems. Bee lawns are designed to be simple to implement through overseeding at existing turfgrass sites or during lawn renovation. Highly resilient, bee lawns can tolerate moderate foot traffic and can withstand adverse environmental conditions.

*Bee Lawns
provide a
simple,
aesthetic , and
sustainable
way to lift any
green space.
They uplift the
environment
around us.*

BENEFITS OF BEE LAWNS

SOCIAL BENEFITS

Bee lawns generate opportunities for connecting with native wildlife and environmental education. By implementing informative signage at bee lawn sites, passers by can learn about the importance of bee conservation, the benefits of bee lawns, and facts about native ecology. Additionally, the abundance of beautiful flowers in bee lawns enhances the aesthetic identity of greenspaces, increasing the likelihood of public engagement with those spaces.

ECOLOGICAL BENEFITS

Bee lawns provide food and habitat for native and honey bees via flowering plants. Additionally, the diverse combination of species in a bee lawn provide increased resilience to adverse site conditions such as compacted soil, drought, flooding, shade, and low nutrient availability.

APPROPRIATE LOCATIONS

Bee lawns are well suited for pre-existing turfgrass areas, locations that already support native flowering plants, and locations that are isolated from recreational areas.