

## Island Report

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## Wildlife Overlook Takes Shape

After far too many months of lying dormant, the overhaul of the Wildlife Overlook on Stede Bonnet Wynd is moving forward. BHA's Board recently hired architect Gordon Hall to develop a design that honors the history of this treasured Island spot known among property owners and visitors alike as a place for viewing the Island's wildlife and for quietly blending with nature.

The Board is excited to share the conceptual design for the Wildlife Overlook and to announce that BHA is in the process of contracting for the construction by this summer. Once complete, the Overlook will have a new bird viewing area connected by a raised boardwalk from the traditional reptile viewing area. Interpretive

signage will highlight many of the special reptiles, birds and other wildlife found in the area, as well as describe the unique way BHI uses its interconnected lagoon system (including the Wildlife Overlook) to manage its storm water runoff. The area will be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act and, though not indicated in this conceptual design at right, it will include additional golf cart and bicycle parking.

BHA is pleased to bring this Island gem back to life. Watch for construction to begin in the near future as we intend to have the project completed in time for the 2020 season.

