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David B,

Here's a short description of the small area of woods, based on an informal walk there on Friday, 2/8/19.

There is a good mixture of native trees in the canopy. Many trees are mature, but there are a number of younger trees as well. It was not possible to judge the health of the trees, though some mature trees have died in recent years. A strong presence of grape vines (*Vitis* spp.) seems to be hampering the growth of some trees. The native species included American holly, eastern red cedar, hackberry, boxelder and at least one other maple, black cherry, black locust, flowering dogwood, and black (sweet) birch.

Two non-native canopy trees were present – a few trees of heaven (and a few dead ones) and one princess (or empress) tree.

The understory is degraded and home to several non-native invasive species. Privet is abundant. Japanese honeysuckle, English ivy, and multiflora rose are present. I am fairly certain that both wineberry and oriental bittersweet are present as well.

Let me know of any questions, and if you need more information or description. I am happy to give scientific names of the plants if that would help. Thanks,

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