

Planting Suggestions - Anchorage Canal Drainage Area



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Fully ornamental – intensively planted traffic islands

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Regional ornamental – regionally appropriate – less
required maintenance

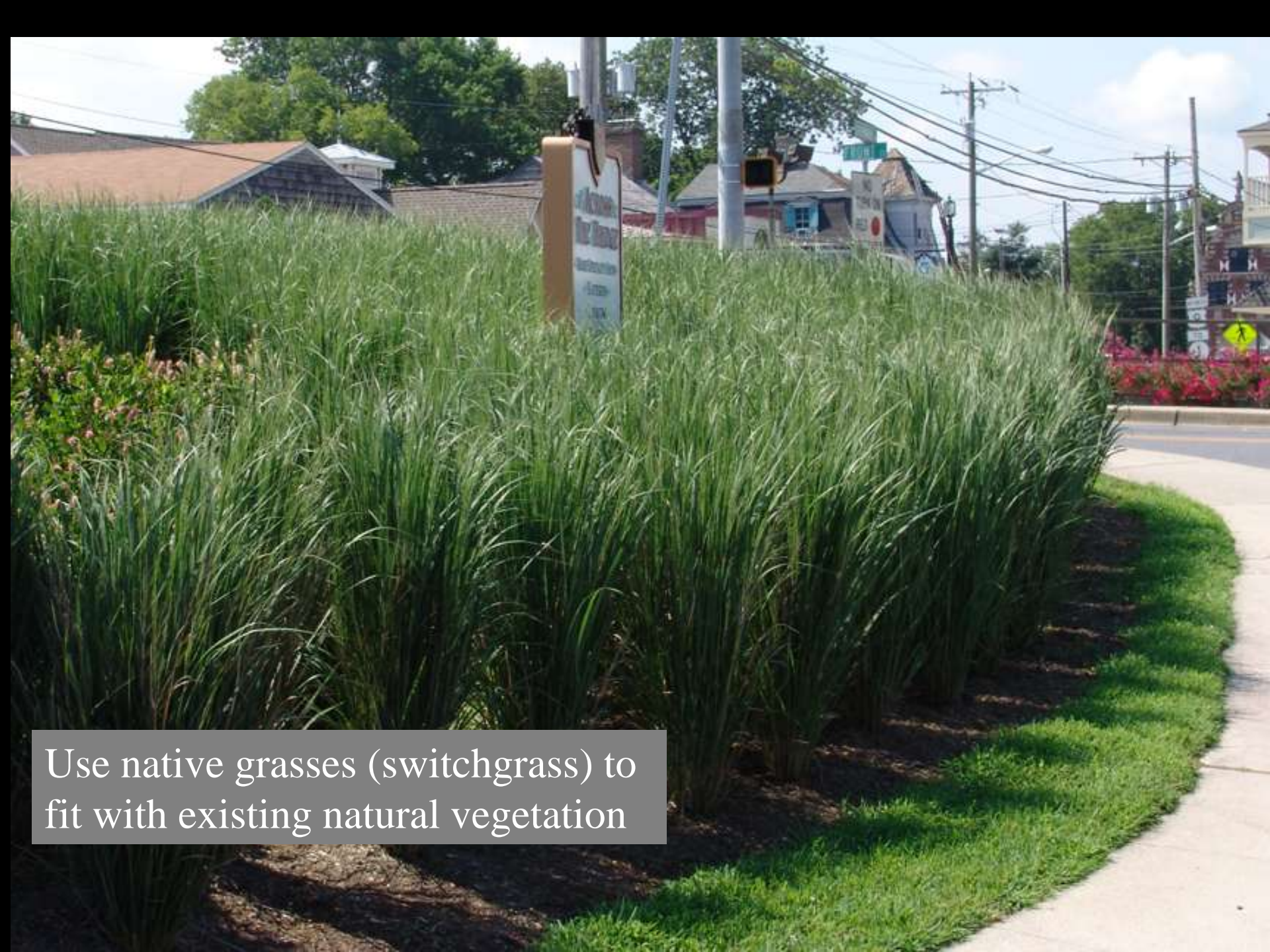
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Regional –management of existing natural stands of
plants with limited planting

Use native plants (marshmallow) to solve problems, such as in this routinely wet area along I95





Use native grasses (switchgrass) to fit with existing natural vegetation

Celebrate local named cultivars like
Panicum amarum 'Dewey Blue'



Use native species such as bayberry, eastern red cedar, switchgrass and thoroughwort



Take advantage of plants like
Seaside goldenrod that come up in
unmowed medians



Vegetate wet swales with a mix including goldenrod, asters and thoroughwort



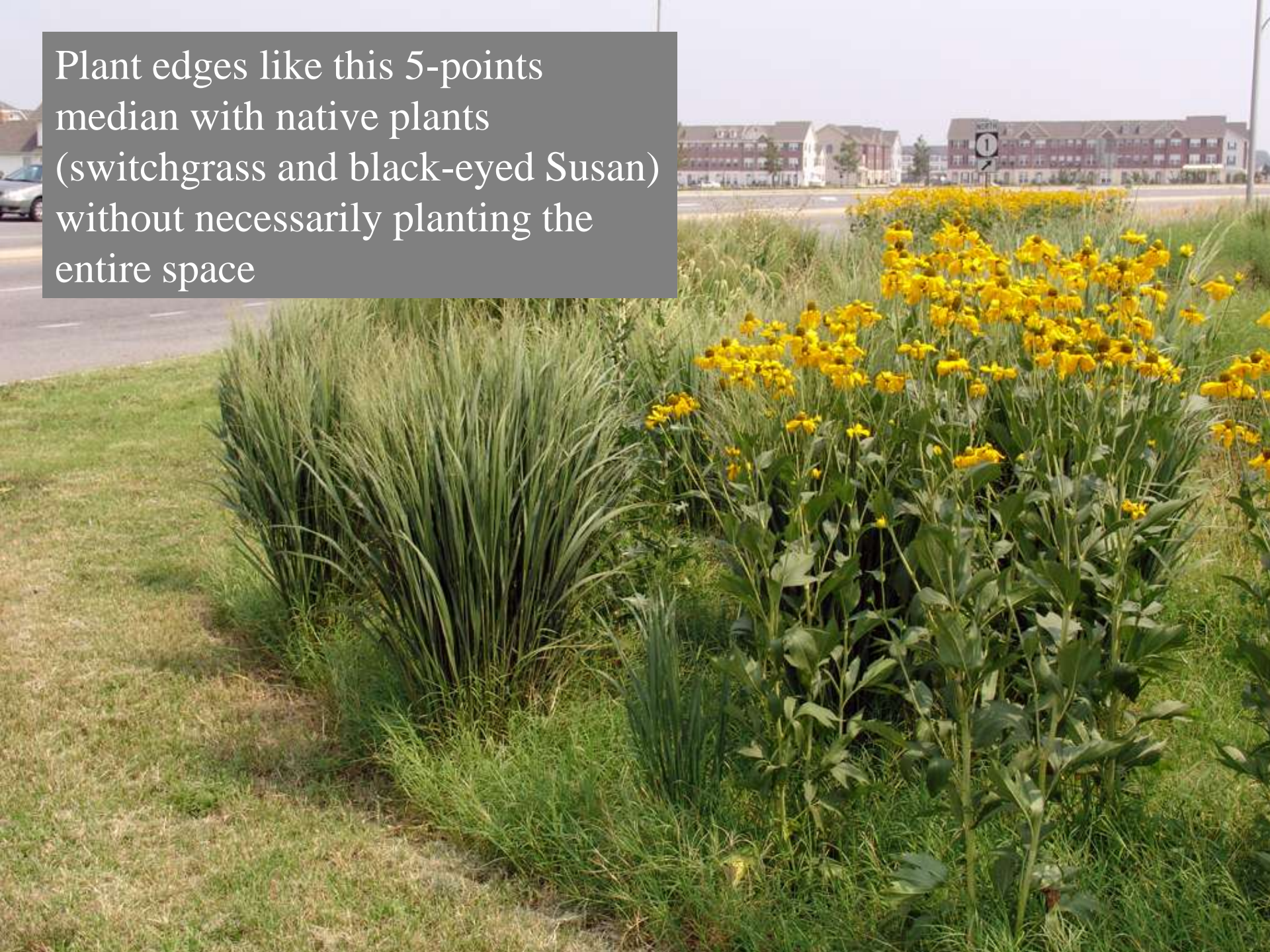
Add highly ornamental plants like this blue star that is native to the US, but not to DE



Use plant combinations in masses to create a highly ornamental effect



Plant edges like this 5-points
median with native plants
(switchgrass and black-eyed Susan)
without necessarily planting the
entire space



Use local shrubs like sumac for vibrant fall color



Use native plant combinations such as winter berry holly against an evergreen background of eastern red cedar



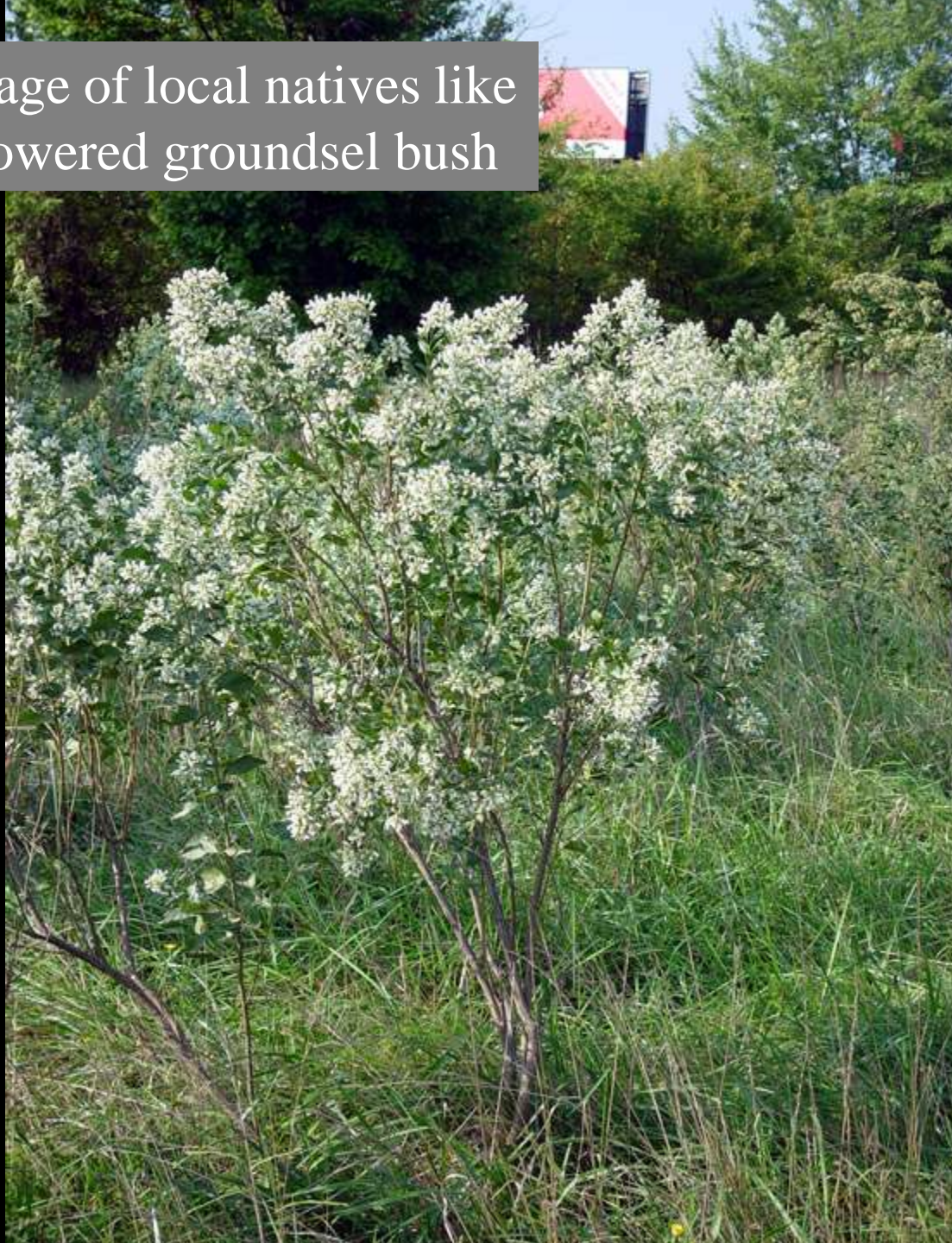
Use shrubs like buttonbush that tolerate very moist soils



Use native plants with multi-season interest—Chokeberry has white spring flowers and fall fruit and leaf color



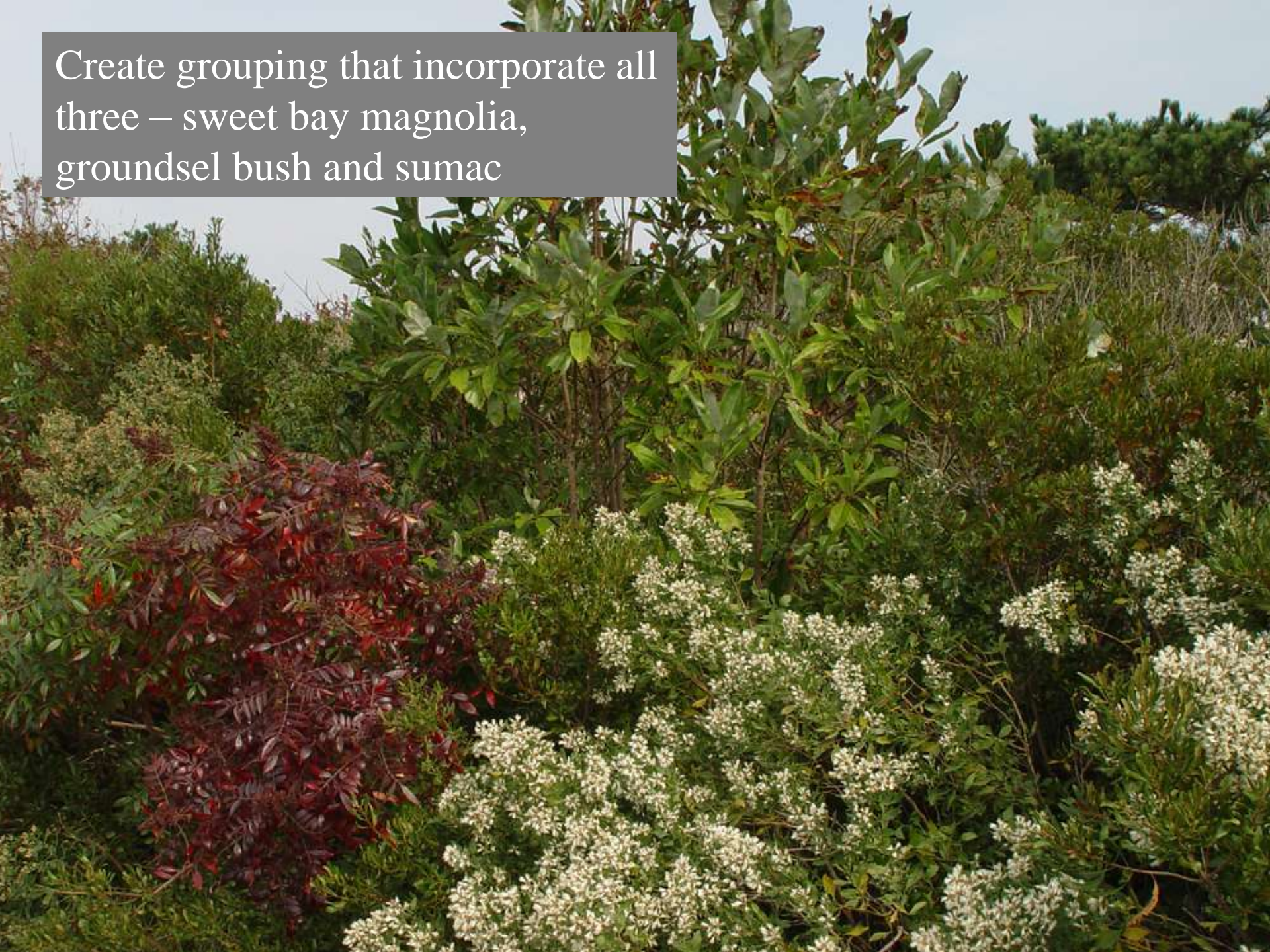
Take advantage of local natives like
the fleece flowered groundsel bush



Use native trees like sweet bay
magnolia



Create grouping that incorporate all three – sweet bay magnolia, groundsel bush and sumac



Select plants for their ability to attract wildlife



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