

Private Lands Restoration

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Private Lands Program

- Partnerships with landowners
 - Technical assistance and funds
 - Emphasize reestablishment of wetlands, native vegetation, and ecological communities
- Positive, results orientated approach to fish and wildlife conservation



How do these programs work?

- Voluntary program
- Technical and/or financial assistance
- Private land: not owned by State or Federal government
- Initial site visit – always FREE!
- Project developed --> Agreement
- Groundwork
- Hurry up and wait

First Step: Contact

- Aerial photos
- Priority focus areas
- The “eye”
- Landowner interested in improving habitat



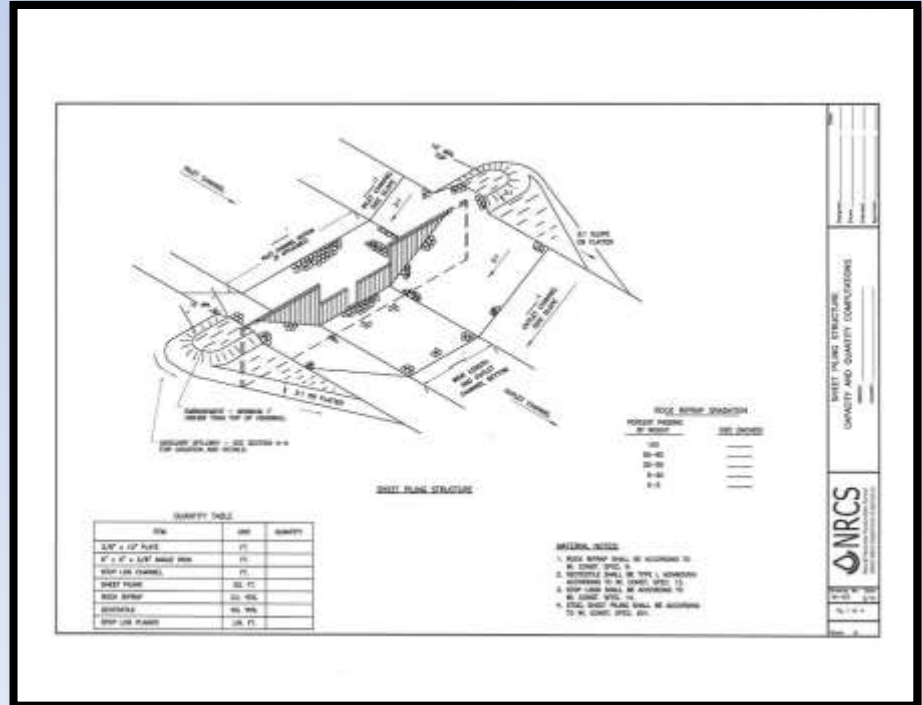
Second Step: Site Visit

- Discuss goals/desires for property
- What kind of wildlife do you want to see?
- Do you want your property permanently protected?



Third Step: Game Plan

- Survey
- Design
- Permit
- Seed Mix
- Timeline
- Contractors
- Ground conditions/weather



Fourth Step: Construction

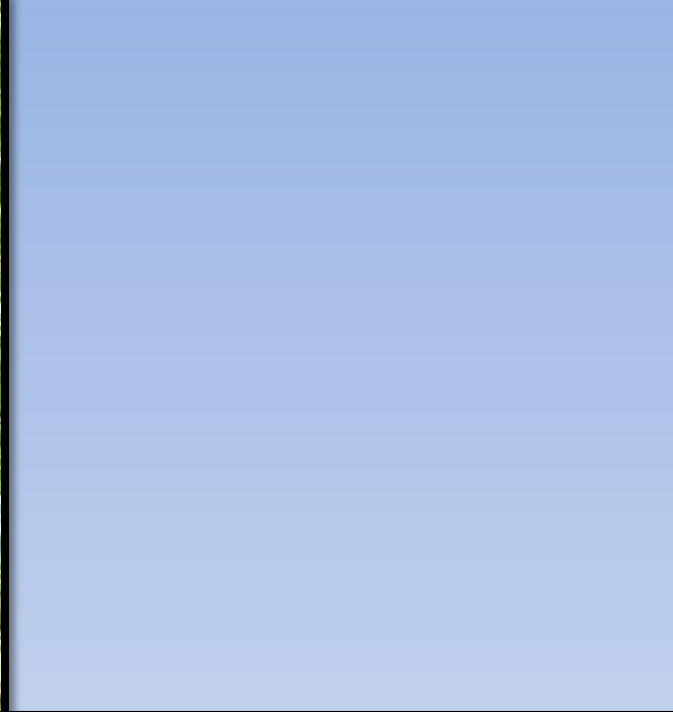


Next Step: Wait...

- Sleeps, creeps, leaps
- Wetlands – quick results!



















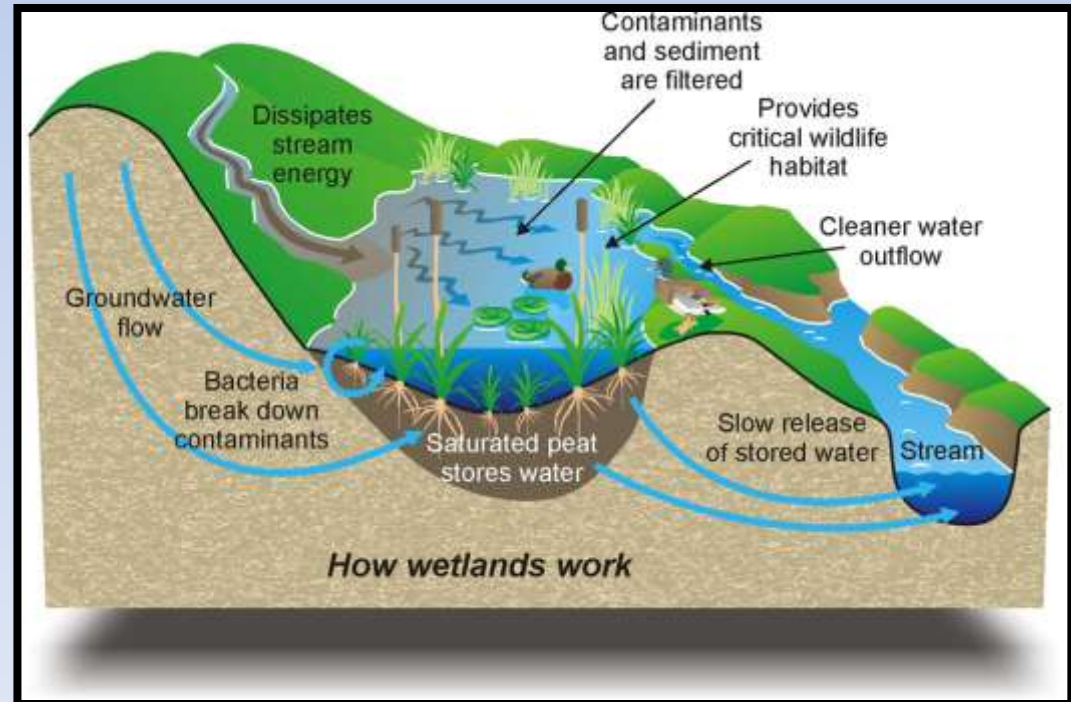






What are the benefits?

- Wildlife habitat
- Improved water quality
- Reduce soil erosion/sedimentation
- Store flood water



Tell a Neighbor!

- Best outreach tool: word of mouth
- Happy with results? Show it off!



What Programs Are Available?

- **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)**
 - Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program (PFW)
- **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR)**
 - Private Lands Program
- **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**
 - Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
 - Wetland Reserve Easement (WRE)
- **Farm Service Agency (FSA)**
 - Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)
 - Conservation Reserve Program – State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (CRP – SAFE)



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project is a story...**

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