

DANE COUNTY CONSERVATION FUND

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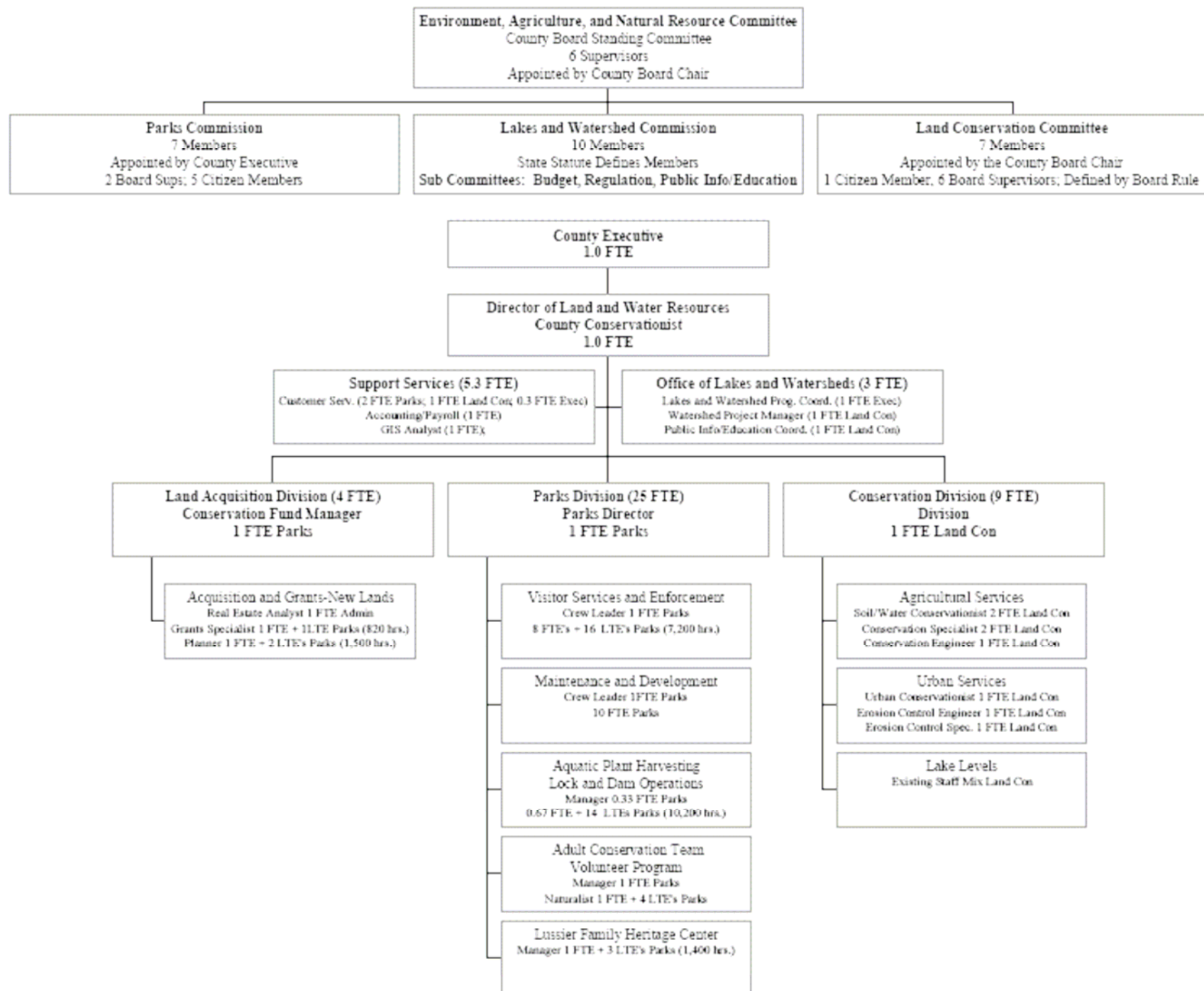
Conservation Fund Manager



What is the Conservation Fund?

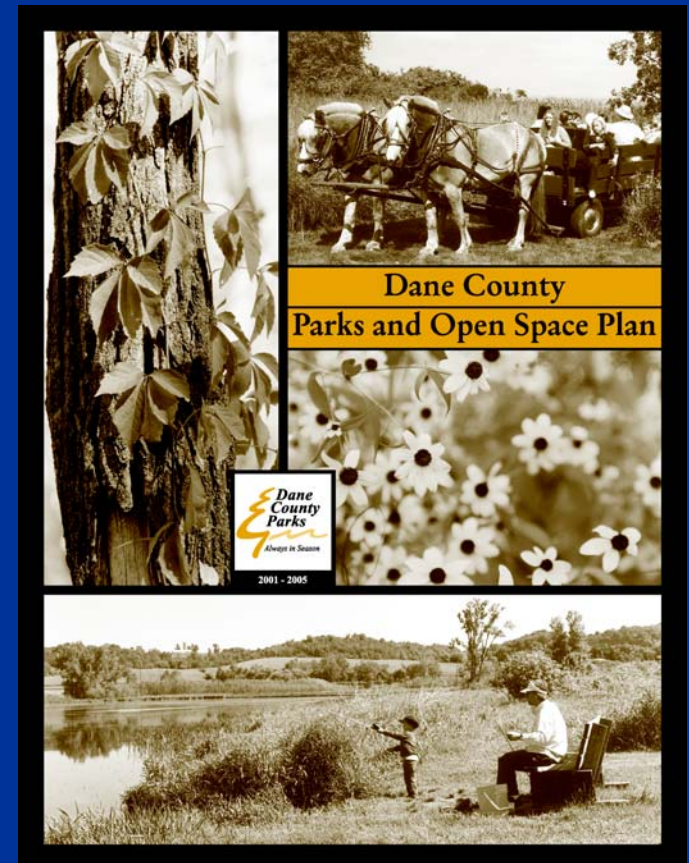
- Money used to acquire lands identified in the
Dane County Parks & Open Space Plan
- Money used to provide grants to local units of government & non-profit organizations to acquire land
- Administered by Department of Land & Water Resources

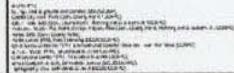
Department of Land & Water Resources



Dane County Parks & Open Space Plan

- Identifies county recreation and resource protection needs
- Broad scope, low detail
- Concept plan, not land use
- Updated every 5 years
- Keeps Dane Co. eligible for DNR grant awards



☐ Incorporated Area

Project Plans

Identify specific resources to be protected and establish acquisition boundaries

Patrick Marsh

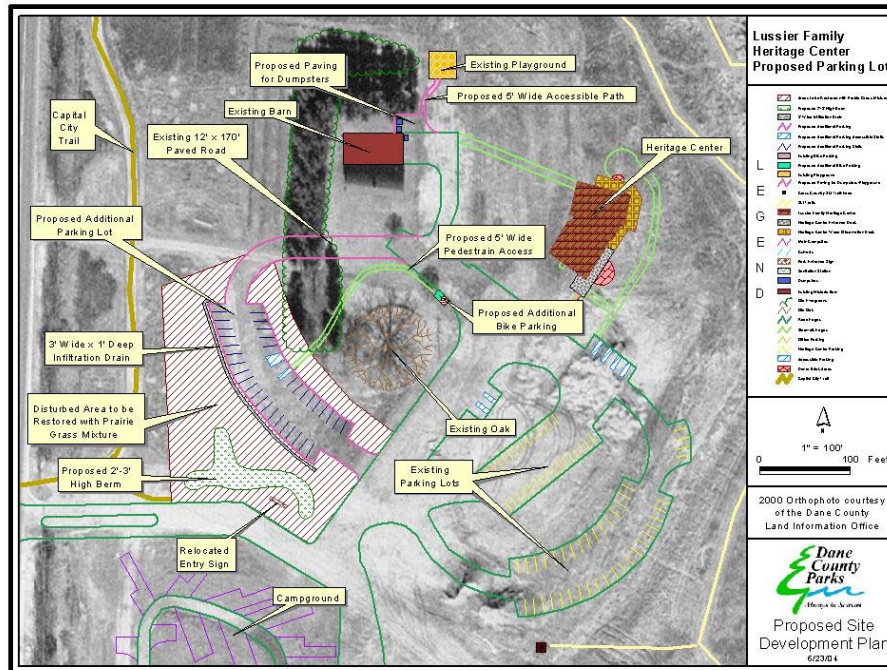
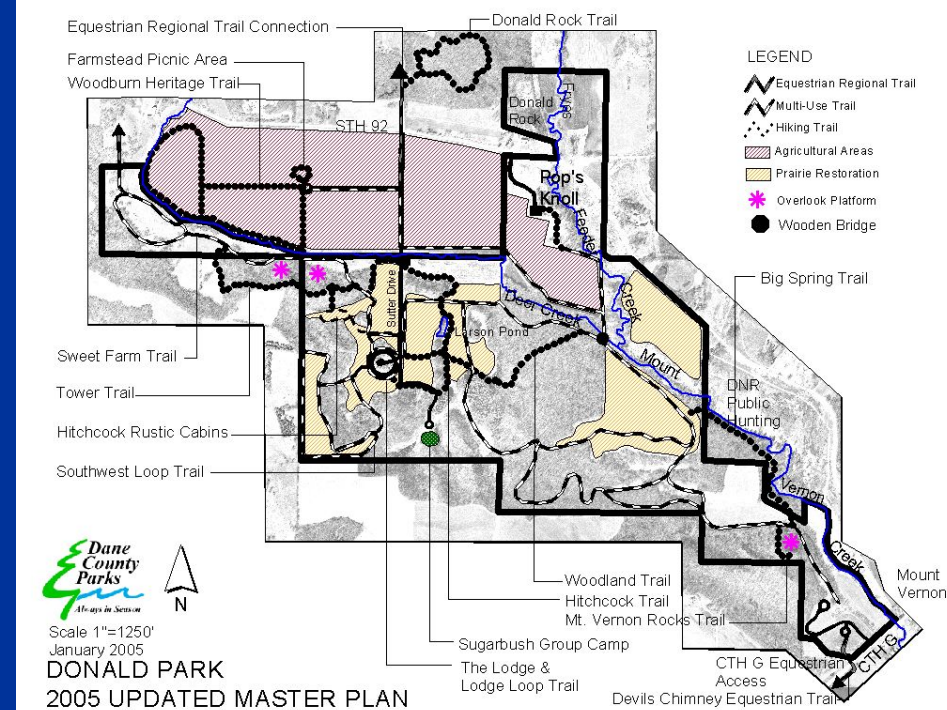
Black Earth Creek

Good opportunity to meet landowners



Master Plans

- Provide Vision for orderly development



Site Development

- Highly detailed
- Permits
- Kiosks, signage, etc

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Established in 1990 to acquire parklands.

Expanded following a 1999 advisory referendum that was approved by over 75% of voters countywide:

- \$30 million over 10 years
- Money can only be spent on lands identified in the Dane County Parks & Open Space plan
- 20% of the funds are set aside annually for grants to local units of government and nonprofit organizations.
- Supported by Madison Area Builders Association & Realtors Association of South Central WI

Dane County Conservation Fund

ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS 1990 - 2005

<u>Year</u>	<u>"Old"</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>"New"</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total Annual</u> <u>Funding</u>	<u>% Change</u> <u>From Prior Yr.</u>
1990	\$ 500,000		\$ 500,000	-0-
1991	\$ 700,000		\$ 700,000	40.00%
1992	\$ 700,000		\$ 700,000	0.00%
1993	\$ 550,000		\$ 550,000	-21.43%
1994	\$ 865,000		\$ 865,000	57.27%
1995	\$ 1,700,000		\$ 1,700,000	96.53%
1996	\$ 1,215,000		\$ 1,215,000	-28.53%
1997	\$ 1,000,000		\$ 1,000,000	-17.70%
1998	\$ 1,300,000		\$ 1,300,000	30.00%
1999	\$ 1,400,000		\$ 1,400,000	7.69%
2000	\$ 846,500	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,846,500	246.18%
2001	\$ 746,600	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,746,600	-22.69%
2002	\$ 646,600	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,646,600	-2.67%
2003	\$ 646,600	\$ 2,750,000 *	\$ 3,396,600	-6.86%
2004	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,500,000	-26.40%
2005	\$ 646,600	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,646,000	45.84%
Totals	\$ 13,962,900	\$ 17,750,000	\$ 31,712,300	

ACRES OWNED OR LEGAL INTEREST IN:

	TOTAL	TOTAL FEE	ESMT	TOTAL	PARKS FEE	ESMT	TOTAL	RES. AREAS FEE	ESMT
As of 1990	3,625	-	-	<u>2,556</u>	-	-	<u>1,069</u>	-	-
As of 4-30-99	5,780	5,712	68	3,204	3,204	-	2,576	2,509	68
As of 2-25-05	9,518	<u>8,528</u>	<u>989</u>	<u>4,551</u>	4,241	309	<u>4,967</u>	4,287	680

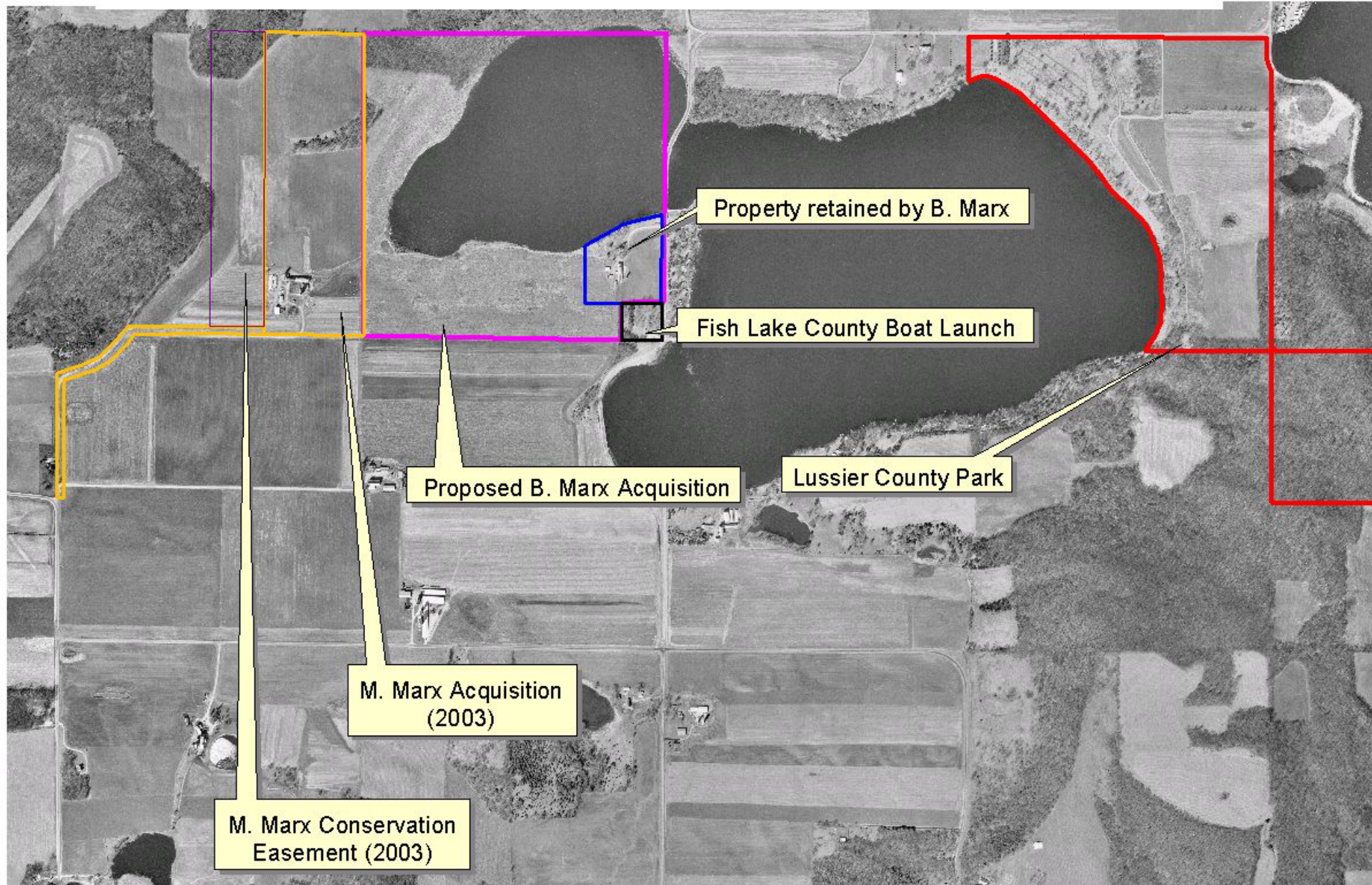
Acres Acquired

1991 to 5/99	2,155	8-1/2 yrs.	253/Acres/Yr.
5/99 to 2/05	3,738	5.75 yrs.	650/Acres/Yr.

Land Acquisition Analysis: 1991 - 2005

	<u>No. Acres</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Per/Acre Value</u>
Appraised Value	5,768.00	\$39,258,450.43	\$6,806.25
Purchase Price	5,768.00	\$29,887,732.50	\$5,181.64
Revenues to County	5,768.00	\$10,448,942.20	\$1,811.54
Net Cost to County	5,768.00	\$19,438,790.30	\$3,370.11

Fish Lake Natural Resource Site: Proposed B. Marx Acquisition



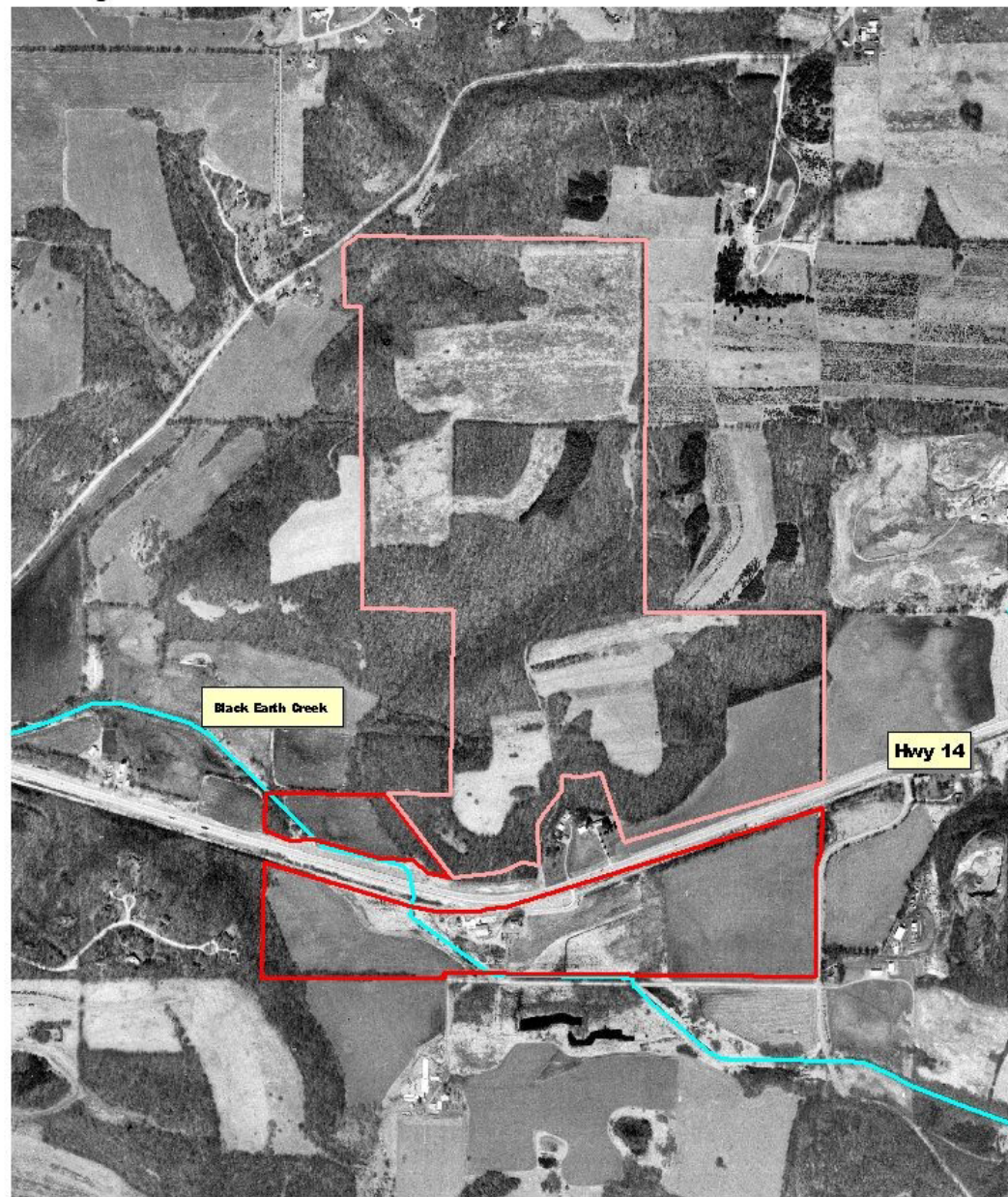
Town of Roxbury, Sections 2, 3 & 4
Dane County, WI (2000 Ortho)



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Sunnyside Seed Farms Phases I and II

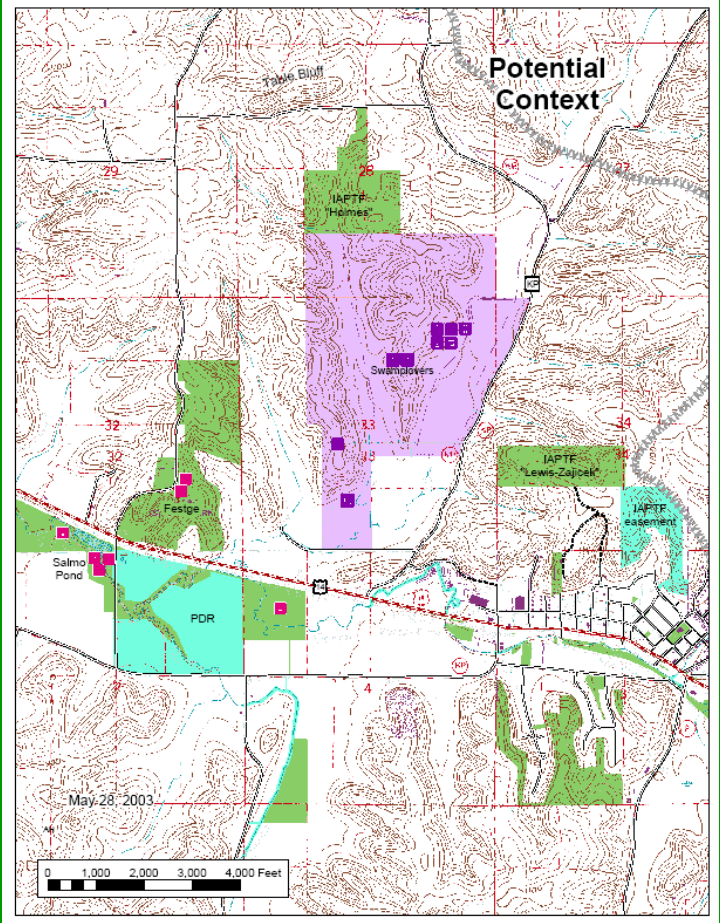
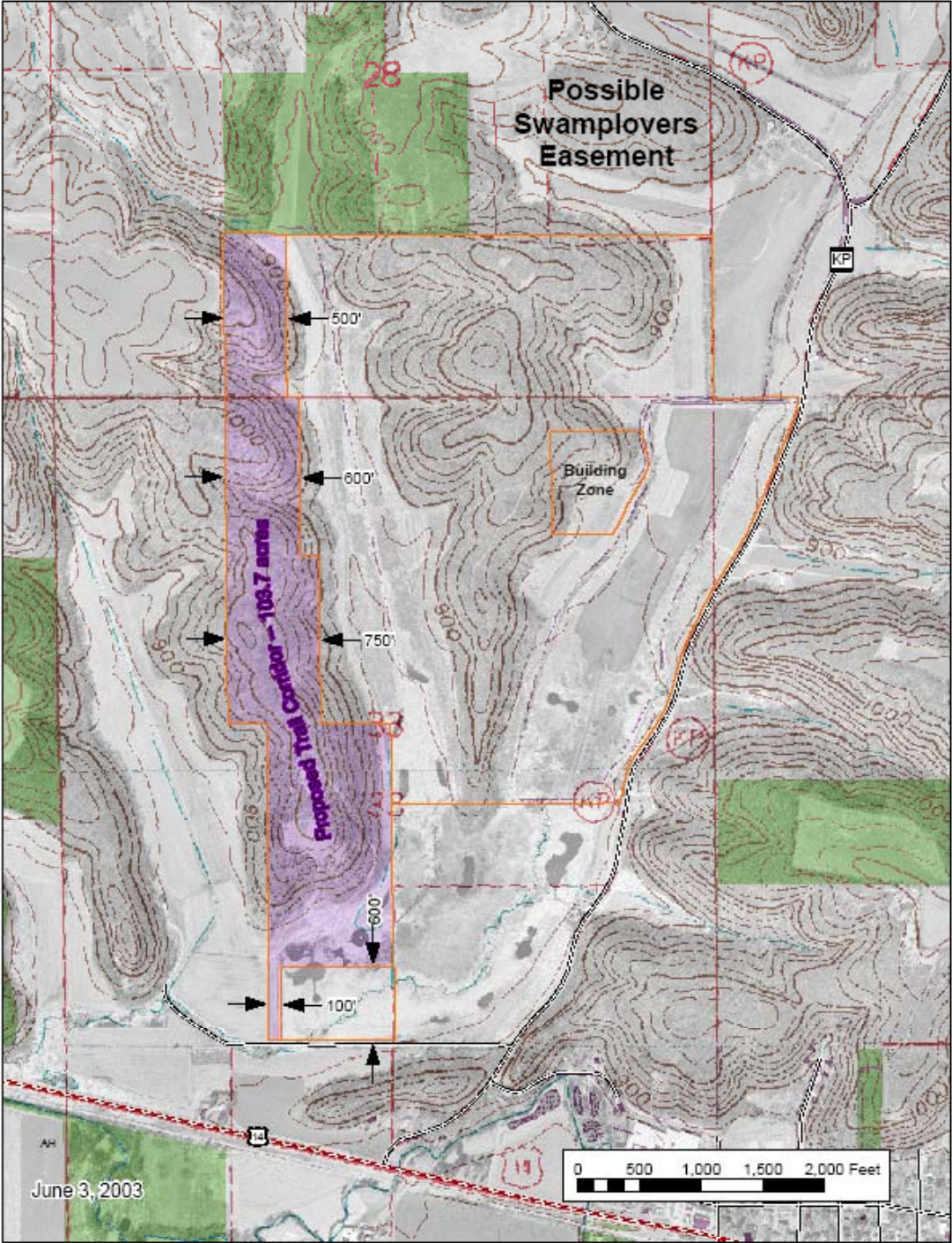


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-  Sunnyside Phase I
-  Sunnyside Phase II
-  Black Earth Creek

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Conservation Fund Grant Program

- ✓ American Farmland Trust
- ✓ City of Madison
- ✓ City of Middleton
- ✓ Friends of Pheasant Branch Conservancy
- ✓ Friends of the Madison School Forest
- ✓ Natural Heritage Land Trust
- ✓ Nature Conservancy
- ✓ Patrick Marsh Conservancy
- ✓ Perry Hauge Log Church Preservation Assn.
- ✓ Prairie Enthusiasts
- ✓ Sun Prairie Area School District
- ✓ Town of Dunn
- ✓ Town of Middleton
- ✓ Town of Perry
- ✓ Town of Primrose
- ✓ Town of Westport
- ✓ Urban Open Space Foundation
- ✓ Village of Cottage Grove

Every Conservation Fund grant project has also had the benefit of funding assistance through the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.



Conservation Fund Grant Program

Conservation Fund Grant Program Summary: 2000 - 2004

Year	ACRES				COSTS				
	Agricultural Easements	Conservation Easements	Fee Acquisition	Total Protected	Total Project	County Grants	Total Per Acre	County Per Acre	County % of Project
2000	264.1	51	286.84	601.94	\$2,668,255	\$961,636	\$4,433	\$1,598	36%
2001	265	46	260	571	\$2,542,769	\$765,739	\$4,453	\$1,341	30%
2002/* 2003	94.36	131	79.7	305.06	\$3,272,586	\$819,939	\$10,727	\$2,687	25%
2004	218	0	20	238	\$1,139,555	\$115,645	\$4,788	\$485	10%
Totals	841.46	228	646.54	1,716	\$9,623,165	\$2,662,959	\$6,100 (avg.)	\$1,528 (avg.)	25% (avg.)

* Due to staff turnover the 2002 and 2003 grant cycles were combined into one.

Questions?

