## Popular Cost Share Practices

- ♦ Access road
- Barnyard runoff
- ♦ Critical area stabilization
- Field wind break
- Livestock fencing
- Livestock watering system
- Prescribed grazing
- Riparian buffers
- Sediment basin
- Shoreline protection
- Stream crossings
- Subsurface drains
- Trails and walkways
- Well abandonment
- Wetland restoration

#### Interested?

Interested landowners should contact the Oneida County Land and Water Conservation Department (LWCD).

LWCD Staff will provide necessary applications and information on the approval process.

A site walk-through by Land Conservation Department staff and the landowner will be done so specific landowner concerns can be addressed and documented.

Contact the Land and Water Conservation Department at 715-369-7835 for further information.

#### **Buffer Zones & Restoration Zones**

- Are usually 35 feet adjacent to the shore
- ♦ Are a "no mow" area
- Have unmowed wildflowers, grasses and sedges to help prevent geese from loitering
- Highlight native vegetation that requires less maintenance and fertilizer
- ♦ Allow a viewing corridor

Our ultimate goal is to protect water quality and conserve soil resources. This program allows us to work with landowners to achieve that goal.

### Traditional Groomed Shorelines

- Can typically be high maintenance
- Require fertilizer or pesticides
- Invite unwanted geese to graze
- Have occasional muskrat issues
- May have some erosion at shoreline
- Use grasses with shallow root systems
- Have structures that may be obtrusive

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# Conservation Cost Share Program

A grant program that allows landowners to be partially reimbursed for their project costs.

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## What is a Cost Share Program?

The Conservation and UW-Extension Education Committee is pleased to provide information on Oneida County's Cost Share Program, designed for shoreline restoration, and other conservation practices for Oneida County Landowners.

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (WDATCP) provides the cost share grant monies for this program.

Administered by Oneida County LWCD, this program offers a cost share incentive for landowners who wish to restore native habitat to their land. Landowners can be reimbursed up to 50% of their total project cost or the current year's cap amount, (whichever is less), for the cost of purchasing and planting native trees, shrubs, plants, or other practices covered under the cost share program.

Eligibility and priority are based on water quality protection. Oneida County's emphasis is on shoreland restoration and erosion protection.



## Why Restore & Protect the Shoreline

- ♦ Improves water quality
- Prevents erosion from the lake and upland
- Provides a healthy habitat for wildlife - in and out of the water
- Filters storm water before it reaches the lake
- Allows for an attractive shoreline
- Natural vegetation screens structures and makes them less intrusive
- Native vegetation provides color and texture

## What Does the Program Cover?

- Restoration of the buffer zone with native plants, shrubs or trees.
- Permitable erosion control methods necessary to reduce runoff and protect water quality.
- Structural methods may be considered for severe erosion concerns in conjunction with a natural buffer.

## What's Covered Under the Cost Share Program?

- Native vegetation
- ♦ Rock rip rap
- ♦ Bioengineering
- ♦ Excavation/grading
- ♦ Labor for installation
- Mulch, erosion control blankets
- ♦ Compost
- Rain Gardens
- Limited watering & fencing practices

#### What's Not Covered?

- Removal or installation of boathouses/docks/piers
- Installation of steps, walkways, lifts, etc.
- Materials such as wood chunks, demolition material, brick, plaster, blacktop for rip rap use
- New boat landings

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