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## Boardman River Protection Project II

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The Boardman River Watershed Land Protection Project aimed to very efficiently undertake the Land Protection component of the Boardman River Watershed Plan. The project protected 254 acres of land critical to preserving the water quality and hydrology of the Boardman River by purchasing perpetual conservation easements on three priority parcels. Threats to these priority parcels were consistent with those identified in the plan as threats to water quality throughout the watershed: land fragmentation (development), loss of wetlands, increase in impervious surfaces, and poor timber harvesting practices. The project resulted in the long-term protection of high quality waters, as activities that might impair water quality are prohibited in the conservation easements. This project is unique in that, in addition to preserving water quality, it also preserved wildlife habitat and corridors along the Boardman River by focusing efforts on parcels adjacent to other protected land.



**Grant Amount: \$189,600**  
**Match Funds: \$537,100**

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**Total Amount: \$726,700**

### Best Management Practices:

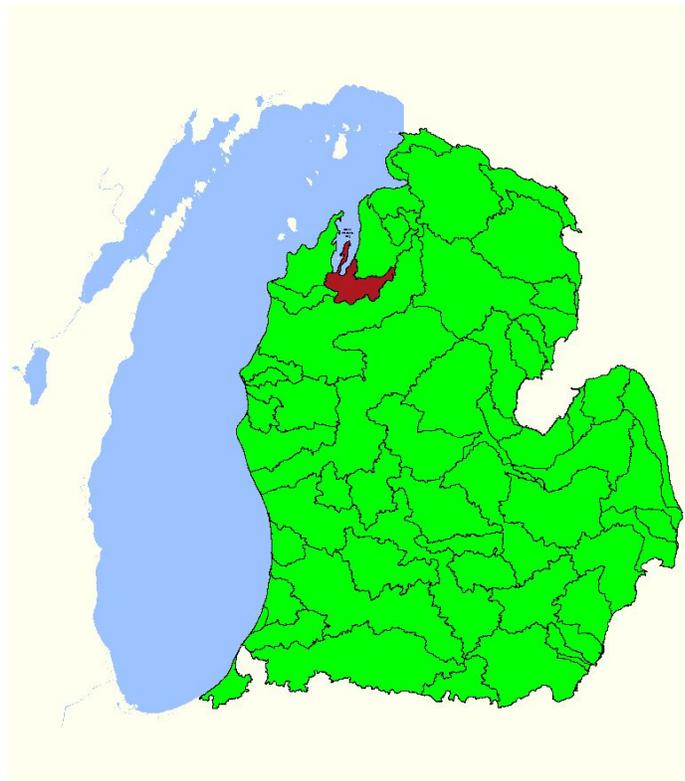
- Three permanent conservation easements

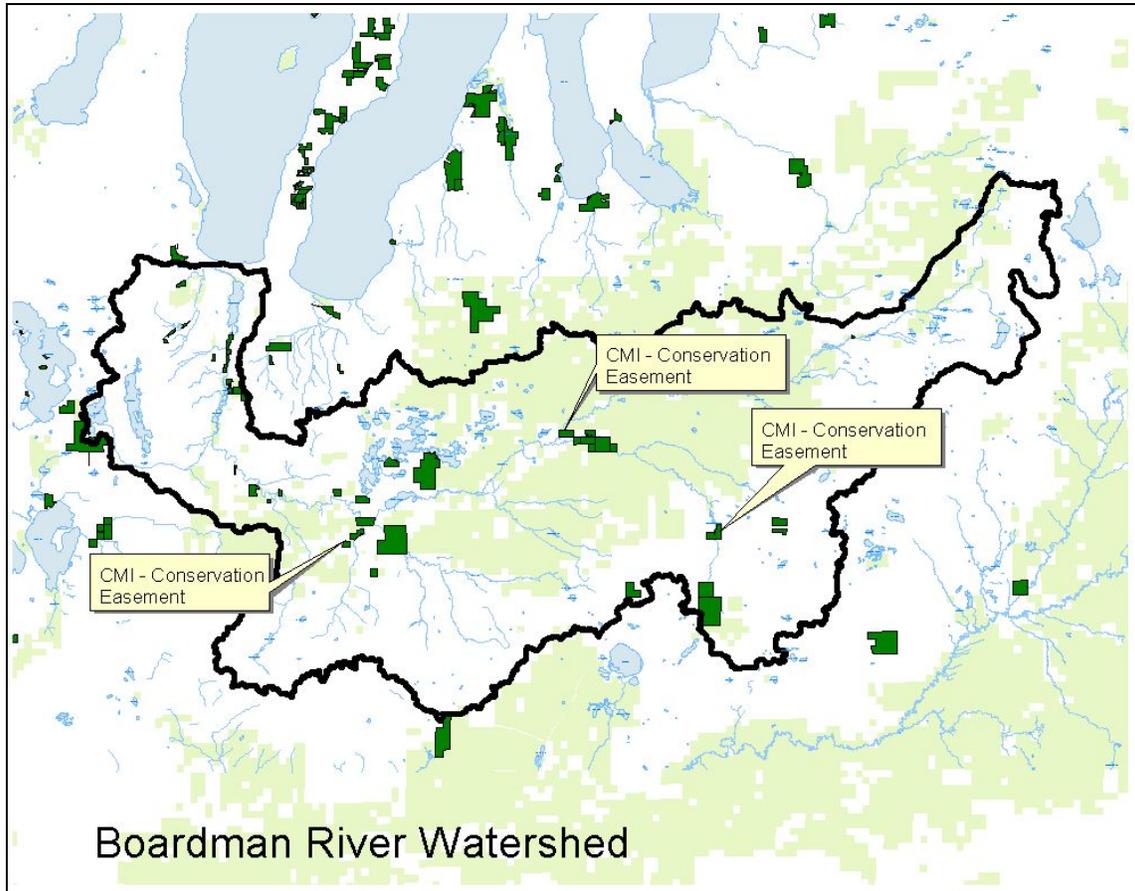
### Annual Load Reductions:

- 17.02 tons of sediment
- 736.6 pounds of nitrogen
- 68.58 pounds of phosphorus

### Partners involved:

- landowners





**Swainston Creek Conservation Easement**