



Upper River Raisin Riparian Protection Project

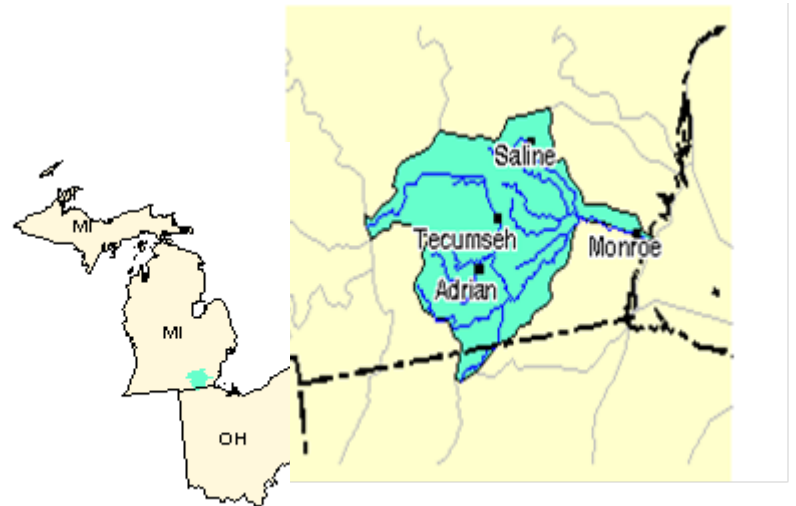
October 1, 2011 - March 31, 2014

This water quality preservation project focused on an integrated approach to good land management practices. It included three elements: 1) Intensive stewardship education, making the land/water connection; 2) Identification of and outreach to owners of key identified properties; 3) Actual permanent land protection with an ongoing landowner registry of interested landowners for future work. A pre- and post- project social survey informed the messaging and the approach to landowners. Stewardship education was 'hands on', including workshops at a variety of demonstration sites (private, public and non-profit) that allowed for a wide range of individuals to become engaged in educational activities.

Grant Amount: \$ 263,638

Match Funds: \$ 276,599

Total Amount: \$ 544,237



Best Management Practices:



- Permanent Conservation Easements on 233 acres of land.
- Over 5,900 linear feet of stream and river frontage.

Annual Load Reductions:

- Sediment - 11.41 tons
- Phosphorous - 17 pounds
- Nitrogen - 379 pounds

I&E Activities:

- 6 landowner workshops
- Workshop promotional materials
- 24 stewardship workshops focused on land/water linkages
- Land protection promotional materials and video

Partners involved:

- Legacy Land Conservancy
- River Raisin Watershed Council
- Raisin Valley Land Trust
- Stewardship Network
- Washtenaw County Parks
- Storer Camps
- Iron Creek property owners
- Lenawee Soil Conservation District
- Michigan Nature Assoc.
- The Nature Conservancy
- Oh! These Irish Hills



Trachet Conservation Easement



Thompson Conservation Easement



Van der Schalie Conservation Easement