



# Bayfield Regional Conservancy

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*Preserving Northwestern Wisconsin, A PLACE YOU LOVE*

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Dear "Personalized with a mail merge",

As a landowner who lives near the South Shore of the Bayfield Peninsula, you know that these are some of the wildest, most beautiful lands in Northwest Wisconsin. Do you enjoy seeing wildlife on your property? Are you concerned about erosion? Invasive weeds? Forest health? Would you like to protect your property's wildlife and beauty for future generations? ***If you answered yes to any of these questions or are just curious to learn more about your property's natural resources and how you can care for them, the Bayfield Regional Conservancy can help.***

As a private landowner, you have many opportunities to protect your property's natural resources. Practicing good management activities on the land means the streams are cleaner for the fish and wildlife that depend on clean water. Brook trout are found in South Shore streams and need cold and clean water to survive. Unfortunately, their numbers have dropped and they need help from landowners like you if they are to succeed.

## **How can you help?**

As a private landowner, you can help keep forests and rivers healthy for wildlife, your family, and your community.

### **You can:**

- Remove/control invasive weeds
- Replace culverts to improve fish passage
- And much more!
- Plant trees along streams to keep water cold for fish
- Fence livestock away from streams to keep water clean

Since the Bayfield Regional Conservancy started in 1996, we have worked to protect almost 4,500 acres of land. These projects were completed primarily through the use of permanent land protection agreements known as ***conservation easements***. The enclosed factsheet provides more information about conservation easements and other land protection options.

***If you are interested in doing a project on your land, please Contact us at 715-779-5263 or [erika@brcland.org](mailto:erika@brcland.org).*** We can help answer your questions, provide additional information, or schedule a free site visit with you. There may also be funding available to help you with your project.

Based in Bayfield, the Bayfield Regional Conservancy is a local land trust that works with private landowners and local communities on a voluntary basis to protect the natural areas, forests and farms, and wild and scenic lands of Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, and Sawyer counties. As a membership and volunteer-supported organization, ***we welcome your support as a member or a volunteer!***

We look forward to helping you meet your goals for your land, and to keep water clean and wildlife abundant today and for future generations.

Sincerely,

Erika Lang  
Conservation Director

*Protecting natural lands, waters, forests, farms and places of scenic,  
spiritual and historic value in Northwest Wisconsin*