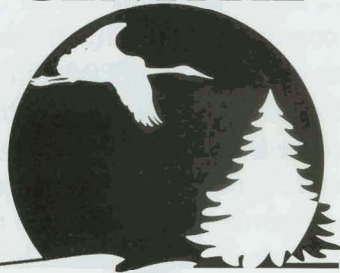
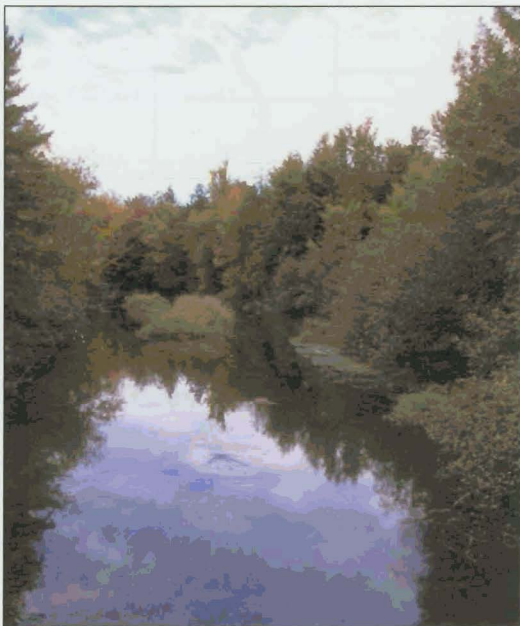


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*Helping to preserve
Central Wisconsin's
Natural Heritage*

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THE CHALLENGE

Central Wisconsin has a rich and diverse natural environment that includes forests and wetlands, farms and prairies, lakes and river corridors. We value the high quality of life that is possible in such a setting, but we cannot take its continuation for granted. Pressures for development are strong. Changes are inevitable. In the face of these influences, a continuing effort to preserve our natural heritage must be mounted and sustained



NCCT – A LOCAL LAND TRUST

The North Central Conservancy Trust (NCCT) is a community-based nonprofit land conservation organization that works with local landowners in Marathon, Portage, Wood, Adams, Waushara, Lincoln, and surrounding counties to protect and preserve the natural resources of their property. Our goal is to help preserve significant portions of this natural heritage for the benefit of present and future generations. We are particularly interested in protecting from development and fragmentation land that has exceptional biological diversity and provides green space and natural habitat. We are also interested in protecting farmland and forests that have been managed for sustainability and reduced impact on surrounding lands.



HOW NCCT CAN HELP YOU PRESERVE YOUR LAND

NCCT uses a variety of flexible tools to meet the goals of individual landowners. Most of these offer income, estate, and property tax benefits that help make conservation affordable. The tools include:

CONSERVATION EASEMENT

This is a legal agreement between you (the landowner) and NCCT that protects your property by permanently limiting the way it can be used. You retain ownership and use of the land and do not have to open it to the public. You can sell the land or pass it on to heirs knowing that the natural resources you value will be protected forever. NCCT sees that the terms of the easement are carried out.

Easements are unique to the site and to your wishes. For example, you might choose to conserve the whole property or only some portion of it, or you might reserve the right to build a building on a portion of the conserved land.

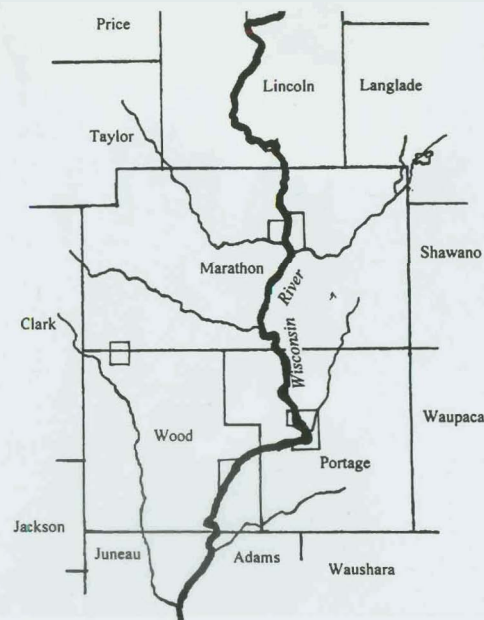
LAND DONATION

You may give property to NCCT by gift or will. The Trust assumes responsibility for managing and protecting the land. The donation can be arranged in such a way that you retain the right to live on the land throughout your lifetime.



HELP US PROTECT OUR BIODIVERSE NATURAL HERITAGE

NCCT is a private nonprofit organization that depends on the support of members, volunteers, landowners, and donors. We need persons with a variety of interests, including real estate, ecology, education, communications, fundraising, and management of nonprofit organizations. Whatever their skills, our members and volunteers share a commitment to protecting natural resources and preserving our natural heritage. Landowners are among the most committed people in land trusts. They care about protecting their land, want to leave a legacy for future generations, and know their partnership with a land trust is the key to securing that legacy.



You can help protect our natural heritage by making a donation, by becoming a member of NCCT, by volunteering your time and talents, by placing your land under permanent protection, by providing referrals to interested landowners. Please join us by filling in and mailing the attached form today!