

Application for Land Preservation Fund Consideration

About the program: In 2003, the Portage County Board of Supervisors created a Land Preservation Fund to protect open spaces in Portage County that have natural, cultural, historic, and/or agricultural value. At that time, a Land Preservation Fund Committee was also formed. The Committee adopted a Strategic Plan on October 20, 2004, to further guide implementation of the program.

How it works: The Land Preservation Fund Committee will meet to consider applications in January and September each year. For those applications that may require a state matching grant, please be aware that state grant deadlines occur in early May each year.

***Please submit one application for each parcel/project nominated to:
Land Preservation Fund Committee, c/o Portage County Parks Department,
1903 County Highway Y, Stevens Point, WI 54482.
Call 715-346-1433 with questions.***

1. Name of Person Completing Application _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

2. Municipality in which proposed parcel is located _____

3. Estimated acreage of the parcel:

4. What is the location of the parcel/land recommended for preservation? Please enclose a map (parcel circled) and descriptive location/address. Include information about the closest roadway intersection.

5. What kind of application is it? (Check all that apply.) Fee Simple Purchase of Land
 Conservation Easement Donation of a Parcel Any Aforementioned Option
 Not Sure

6. Please describe the land's characteristics by checking (√) all that you believe apply:

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Agricultural	Green Circle/Other Trail Connections
Forest/Woodlands	Aesthetics
Wetlands	Close Proximity to Other Open Space
Lake Protection	Sensitive Species
Grasslands	Unique Habitat/Area
Cultural	Development Pressures
Historic/Archaeological	Known Dump Located On Site
Restoration Needed	Neglected Property
	Noted in Comprehensive Plan for Municipality

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7. What is the current use of the land?

8. The Land Preservation Fund Committee is interested in your thoughts about financial and local support for the protection/preservation of the land you identified. Please, if possible, comment on the following:

- a. Known support from neighbors

- b. Level of municipality support

- c. Ideas about possible matching grants or other donations (only a maximum of 50% provided by Land Preservation Fund)

- d. Has applicant received past funding from the Land Preservation Fund?

- e. Individuals or organizations that would be/might be interested in becoming stewards of the property to help monitor and care for it over time (litter pick-ups, possible conservation projects, help maintain, etc.)

9. Other comments:

Signature of Applicant

Date

*We, the undersigned, are interested in having this parcel considered by the Land Preservation Fund Committee. **Signing this form gives permission for the Land Preservation Fund Committee and its application reviewers to conduct site visits.***

Printed Name and Signature of Property Owner of Record

Date

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