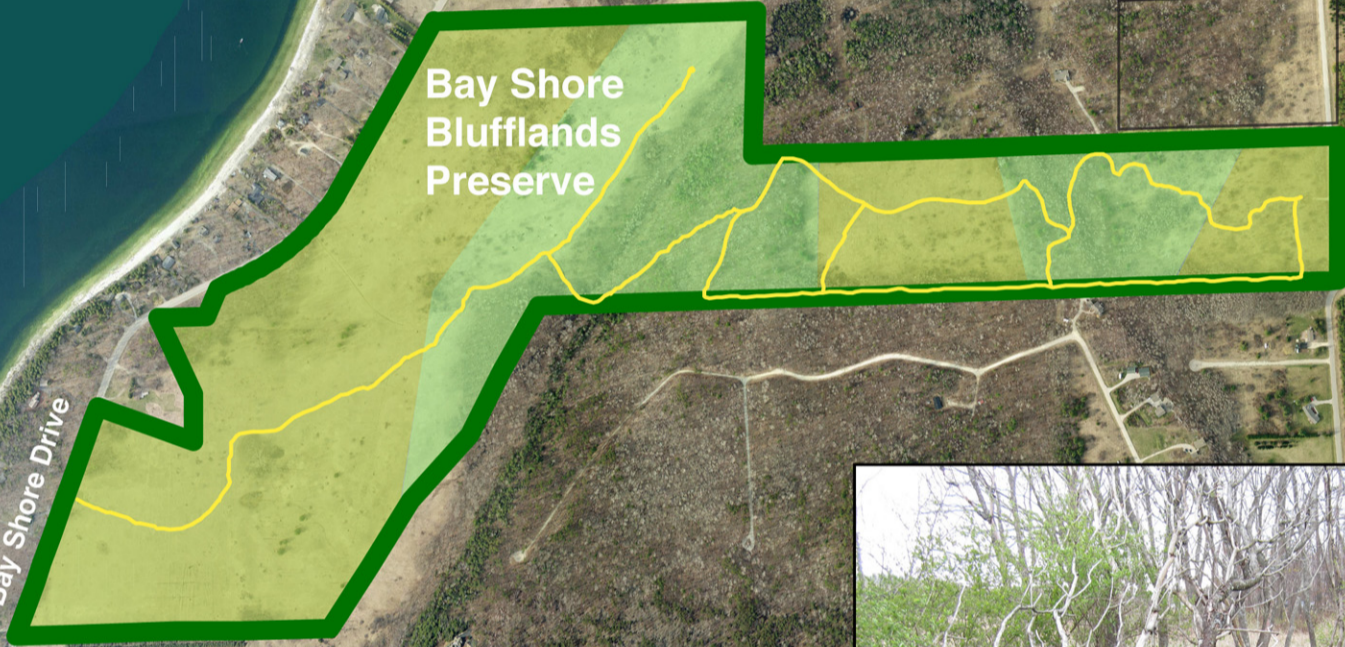
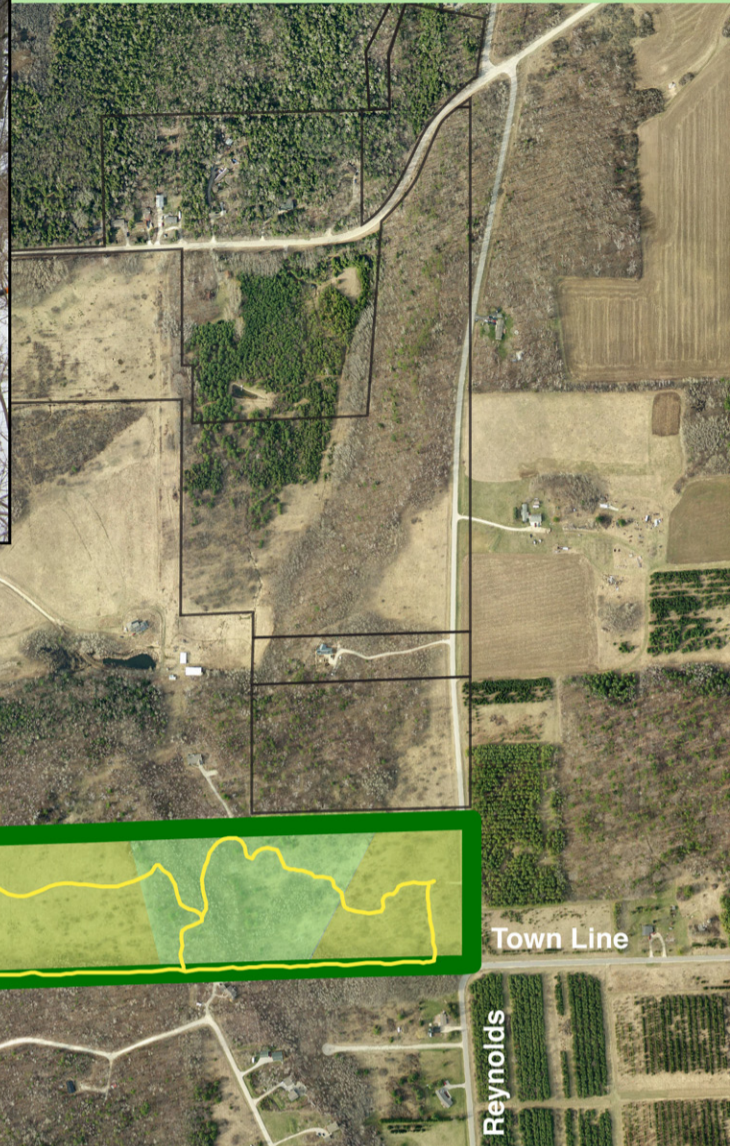


Preserve and Protect Niagara Escarpment in Bay Shore Blufflands State Wildlife Grant 2011-2013



Goals:

Management and removal of exotic invasive plant species that threaten the habitat of the Niagara Escarpment in the Bay Shore Blufflands State Natural Area #377. Preserving habitat and protecting ecologically significant areas here is fully consistent with goals of local town, county, and conservation organizations working in the area.

Over the past eight years cooperative endeavors have thwarted much of the expansion of exotic invasive plants and made significant progress in remediation. Thousands of hours of volunteer time, as well as substantial staff time, have been devoted to controlling buckthorn and honeysuckle in particular. Grant funds to supplement volunteer work with qualified contract work has been crucial to the progress made to date.

We will:

- Control priority invasive exotic species (e.g. buckthorn, honeysuckle, barberry, reed canary grass, watercress) using best management practices.
- Eliminate isolated early populations of invasive exotic species (e.g. garlic mustard, spotted knapweed, exotic thistles).
- Increase community support for and participation in volunteer land stewardship.
- Support local restoration contractors. This helps keep costs down and helps ensure viable future land stewardship.

Thank You!

This two-year habitat project is a community and government effort. Grant funding and staff support from:



Donated assistance, loans of equipment, grant administration, and countless community and neighborhood volunteer work hours from:



Working shoulder-to-shoulder with two local Door County contractors, hired through a qualified low bid process.