

Component #6 Goals and Objectives

Goal # 1: Reduce the economic loss for homeowners and farmers when the creek floods.

Objective # 1: Implement the best management practices that would reduce the flood damages. There is no one practice that would achieve this.

Goal # 2: Increase the level of education on floodplain management as well as areas prone to flooding and high water table.

Objective # 2: Distribution of the watershed resource plan and provide materials to homeowners, developers, and educators.

Goal # 3: Reduce stormwater release from new construction.

Objective # 3: Implement practices that would allow for more infiltration and detention of stormwater and the creation of countywide stormwater management plans.

Goal # 4: Reduce safety hazards caused by flooding at bridge crossings, roads, and in basements.

Objective # 4: Educate public on the hazards associated with flooding and the installation of signs identifying possible hazards. Advocate public funds for solutions to reduce hazards caused by flooding.

Goal # 5: Reduce development on prime farmland.

Objective # 5: Support conservation groups that advocate the preservation of prime farmland and promote developments that retain farmland. Education the importance of prime farmland and what it is.

Goal # 6: Increase the number of agricultural areas.

Objective # 6: Promote the creation of agricultural areas by distributing information.

Goal # 7: To increase the number of natural areas.

Objective # 7: Support forest preserve acquisition and the development of conservation easements.

Goal # 8: Increase the economic incentives for urban residents to establish native vegetation.

Objective # 8: Create a program that would supply seed and technical assistance to these residents and promote other existing sources for seed and assistance.

Goal # 9: Educate homebuyers about the environment, the watershed and the farming community.

Objective # 9: Provide homebuyers with materials and information about the environment, the watershed, and farming community.

Goal # 10: Reduce soil erosion and sedimentation from construction sites.

Objective # 10: To promote best management practice on the construction site.

Goal # 11: Establish a greenway plan.

Objective # 11: Encourage the counties to create a greenway plan that would identify the location of trails and parks.

Goal # 12: Increase the use of riparian buffers to reduce the sediments and pollutants from enter the waterway.

Objective # 12: Support the NRCS and SWCD efforts to establish riparian buffers.

Goal # 13: Reduce gully erosion.

Objective # 13: Implement BMPs.

Goal # 14: Continue to identify sites in need of grade stabilization structures.

Objective # 14: Support the current efforts of NRCS and SWCD who are working with farmers to install structures.

Goal # 15: Identify sites in need of streambank stabilization.

Objective # 15: Support the current efforts of NRCS and SWCD who are working with landowners to stabilize streambanks.

Goal # 16: Reduce the number natural and manmade obstructions that impede the flow of the creek in high stages.

Objective # 16: Maintain the natural flow of the creek as recommended in the 'Stream Obstruction Removal Guidelines' and discourage man made obstructions.

Goal # 17: Identify wetlands.

Objective # 17: Support the creation of the advanced identification (ADID) programs for both Kendall and Grundy counties.

Goal # 18: To increase the education regarding the identification and laws governing wetlands in the Aux Sable Creek watershed.

Objective # 18: Education through brochures and about the permitting process.

Goal # 19: To improve wildlife habitat areas by promoting riparian vegetation.

Objective # 19: Educate the public with information and a demonstration site that shows the practices.

Goal # 20: Reduce the risk of disruption.

Objective # 20: Promote the establishment of wildlife habitat on upland areas.

Goal # 21: Reduce the impact of sediment on aquatic habitat.

Objective # 21: Promote the use of conservation practices that stop the detachment of soil particles that erode into the creek.

Goal # 22: Increase the amount of involvement by improving outreach efforts in the watershed.

Objective # 22: Hold public meetings, monthly meetings with presenters, tours, demonstration site, fairs, workshops, and presentations.

Goal # 23: Reduce the number of paint ball cartridges.

Objective # 23: Work with the operators to develop a solution to eliminate cartridges from leaving the site.

Goal # 24: To implementation nutrient management plans with producers.

Objective # 24: Support the current efforts of NRCS and SWCD who are working with farmers to develop management plans.