



Montcalm Conservation District

Natural Resource Assessment Survey

Survey Deadline: August 19, 2022

Every few years, the Montcalm Conservation District seeks feedback from residents, landowners, and resource users about their concerns regarding the natural resources in Montcalm County. Our goal is to identify natural resource priorities so we can assist local landowners, organizations, and others with the best management practices to improve and protect our land and water resources. Please assist us by completing this short, simple survey. By completing this survey, you will be entered in a drawing to win a \$50 gift card. Your answers will help us identify important natural resource concerns so we can prioritize our efforts for the next five years, and also determine our program funding, staffing, and volunteer opportunities. Your responses will remain confidential. Thank you for your participation.

1. Which Township do you live, work or play in Montcalm County?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Belvidere	<input type="checkbox"/>	Evergreen	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reynolds
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bloomer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fairplain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Richland
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bushnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ferris	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sidney
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cato	<input type="checkbox"/>	Home	<input type="checkbox"/>	Winfield
<input type="checkbox"/>	Crystal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maple Valley		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Montcalm		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Douglass	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pierson		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eureka	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pine		

How many acres do you own in Montcalm County?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Less than 5 acres	<input type="checkbox"/>	Between 20-40 acres
<input type="checkbox"/>	Between 5-10 acres	<input type="checkbox"/>	More than 40 acres
<input type="checkbox"/>	Between 10-20 acres		

Are you an absentee landowner? Yes No

2. How is the property(s) currently being used? (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Seasonal Home	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other- Please list
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attracting Wildlife/ Hunting		_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Farming/Agriculture		_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Forest Management		_____

Select the setting that best describes your home / property in Montcalm County. (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban - Residential (city, village, town)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural - Farm
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural - Residential
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lakeshore / waterfront

3. The Montcalm Conservation District provides the following programs and services. Which are you aware of and / or have participated in? (Check all that apply.)

- Equipment rental (Tree planter)
- Forestry Assistance Program
- Invasive species technical assistance
- Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP)
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection / Tire & Electronics Collection
- Tree seedling and native plant sales
- Wildlife / habitat planning
- NRCS Programs
- Other (please explain): _____

4. Check the top three water quality / quantity (drinking water, lakes, streams, ponds, wetlands) priorities we should focus on in the next 5 years:

- Storm water runoff/ flooding
- Drinking water / groundwater
- Farmland water runoff
- Invasive species (insects, plants, diseases)
- Septic systems
- Other (please explain): _____

5. Check the top three forest/ woodland priorities we should focus on in the next 5 years:

- Invasive species (insects, plants, diseases)
- Loss due to housing, business, and farmland development
- Sustainable forest management
- Plant and wildlife habitat
- Recreation / hunting access
- Deer browse / desirable regeneration
- Other (please explain): _____

6. Check the top three agriculture / farmland priorities we should focus on in the next 5 years:

- Animal manure (best practices)
- Farm chemicals / fertilizers (proper use and disposal)
- Farmland preservation
- Pollinator / wildlife habitat
- Soil erosion / soil loss
- Health / management of pasture/grazing
- Water quality / runoff
- Water use / irrigation
- Other (please explain): _____

7. Check the top three residential / non-farmed lands (backyards, prairies, meadows, open lands) priorities we should focus on in the next 5 years:

- Invasive species (insects, plants, diseases)
- Non-farmed land loss due to housing, business, and farmland development
- Pollinator populations / nectar sources
- Recreational / hunting access
- Wetlands
- Wildlife habitat
- Tree / plant health
- Other (*please explain*): _____

8. What are some topics you would be interested in attending a workshop, field day or presentation on?

9. Would you be interested in furthering our mission by becoming a (check all that apply):

- Board Member/ Associate Board Member Volunteer Providing further input on natural resource issues

10. Your answers will remain confidential. If you would like to be put in the drawing for a \$50 gift card or checked any of the boxes in #9, please provide your contact information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Submitting your survey

Email: amber.snow@macd.org

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Feel free to contact us by calling (989) 831-4212 ext. 105

Thank you for completing this survey and assisting us in protecting and managing our natural resources!