



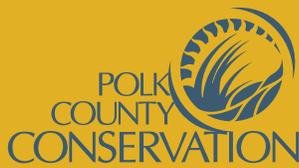
Potential Bond Funded Projects

Polk County's Water and Land Legacy Bond

Clean Drinking Water Improved Water Quality Flood Protection & Prevention

- Enhance and protect the Des Moines River corridor and floodplain in partnership with local agencies to prevent future costly flood damages and improve water quality
- Enhance and protect the water quality of the Des Moines River through bank stabilization and maintaining buffer areas in partnership with local agencies
- Enhance and protect the Four Mile Creek watershed and help buffer communities from flooding in partnership with local agencies
- Enhance and protect the Raccoon River Greenway to help buffer communities from flooding, improve water quality, protect wildlife habitat in partnership with local agencies
- Enhance and protect the Camp, Spring, and Mud Creek corridors and floodplain in partnership with local agencies to prevent future costly flood damages and improve water quality
- Enhance and protect Easter Lake and the Yeader Creek watershed
- Protect and enhance the Yellow Banks Pond, dam, and watershed
- Enhance and protect Yeader Creek and its watershed in partnership with local agencies which will provide cleaner water and flood protection
- Enhance and protect the Fort Des Moines Park pond and its watershed
- Enhance and protect Beaver Creek and its watershed





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Natural Area Protection & Preservation Wildlife Habitat Sensitive Area Easements & Acquisitions

- Acquire priority tracts of land as available at Chichaqua Bottoms Greenbelt that will protect wildlife, water quality and help prevent flooding
- Continue acquiring property and easements along the Des Moines River corridor to protect wildlife, enhance outdoor recreation opportunities and improve water quality
- Improve and protect the Des Moines River Greenbelt in partnership with the Army Corps of Engineers and City of Des Moines
- Acquire property and/or easements as available within the Raccoon River corridor to provide a continuous greenbelt in partnership with the DNR, Cities of Des Moines and West Des Moines, and Des Moines Water Works
- Acquire adjacent properties as available at Jester Park to provide buffer as development pressures increase
- Acquire adjacent properties as available at Thomas Mitchell Park to provide buffer as development pressures increase
- Acquire adjacent properties as available at Yellow Banks to provide buffer as development pressures increase
- Acquire easements along Yeader Creek to stabilize streambanks and improve water quality in partnership with the City of Des Moines and the DNR





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Accessible Outdoor Recreation Park Improvements & Trail Connections Conservation Education

- Connect the NW Beaver Trail to Jester Park in partnership with the City of Johnston
- Connect the Neal Smith Trail to the High Trestle Trail at Big Creek State Park
- Enhance nature education for all ages by establishing the Jester Park Conservation Education Center
- Expand the Jester Park Golf Course Clubhouse to serve larger golf outings and public rentals
- Enhance Jester Park campgrounds and construct rental cabins for families
- Connect Brown's Woods to West Des Moines via a paved trail which will link the park to the City
- Relocate the Brown's Woods entrance which will create an enhanced trailhead that accommodates larger school groups and provides more modern amenities
- Expand the hiking trail system at Brown's Woods
- Enhance nature education for children and adults by establishing increased public access, programming, and interpretation at Brown's Woods
- Connect the Gay Lea Wilson Trail at Mally's Park between Des Moines and Ankeny
- Complete the Chichaqua Valley Trail Connector between Des Moines and Bondurant
- Enhance nature education for children and adults by establishing a wildlife viewing exhibit off Hwy 65 at Chichaqua Bottoms Greenbelt
- Enhance Thomas Mitchell Park campgrounds, construct rental cabins and shelters for families, and an accessible trail around the pond for senior adults and individuals with disabilities





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- Complete the trail around Easter Lake and Ewing Parks in conjunction with the City of Des Moines
- Enhance the Easter Lake Park boat ramp, dam, and spillway
- Enhance nature education for children and adults by improving access to the Yellow Banks Pond and interpreting the park's rich Native American heritage
- Enhance and expand Yellow Banks Park campgrounds, shelters, and hiking trails
- Connect the Great Western Trail to the Bill Riley Trail & Gray's Lake
- Enhance nature education for children and adults by establishing the Fort Des Moines Park Outdoor Classroom
- Develop accessible trails throughout Fort Des Moines Park for senior adults and individuals with disabilities
- Enhance shelters and playgrounds at Fort Des Moines Park for families
- Connect Carlisle to Des Moines Trails which will link the two communities

